



Third Sunday after Epiphany January 26, 2025 10:30 AM

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

RINGING THE BELL

WELCOME AND MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

PRELUDE Variations on "My God, How Wonderful Thou Art" Stephen Gabrielsen

(*) Indicates that all are invited to stand

*CALL TO WORSHIP (1)

- One: Rejoice! Give thanks to the Lord and call upon God's holy name:
- All: make known the deeds of God among the peoples.
- One: Sing to God, sing praises to God's glory!
- All: and speak of all God's marvelous works.
- One: Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God almighty:
- All: who was and is and is to come.

*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN "Rejoice, You Pure in Heart" #55 New Century Hymnal (For full music, the New Century Hymnal is located in each pew rack) vv.1-4 Rejoice, you pure in heart; lift praises to the sky; Your festal banner wave with joy, the cross of Christ raise high! *Refrain:* Rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing!

Bright youth and seasoned age, strong souls and spirits meek, Raise high your free, exulting song, God's wondrous praises speak. *Refrain*

With voice as full and strong as ocean's surging praise, Send forth the hymns the saints have loved, the psalms of ancient days. *Refrain*

Yes, on through life's long path, still chanting as you go, From youth to age, by night and day, in gladness and in woe: *Refrain*

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (1)

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.

In your grace, forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be;

that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. *(moment of silent confession)*

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (2) Siblings in Christ, God is at work in us and with us! No matter what we have done or what we have left undone, We began anew with the gracious love of God. **Thanks be to God!**

*REPONSE OF PRAISE: "Rejoice, You Pure in Heart" v.4 Praise God who rules all worlds, the risen Christ adore, Praise God the Spirit, Holy fire, one God for evermore! *Refrain*

*PASSING THE PEACE

CONVERSATION WITH OUR CHILDREN

CHORAL ANTHEM "The Prayer of Saint Francis" Bob Moore

LISTENING

God speaks to us in the Word proclaimed.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 3:7-19 Pew Bible p.814

SERMON

SILENT REFLECTION

HYMN OF REFLECTION "We Come to You for Healing, Lord" #796



RESPONDING

We respond to God's Word through our prayers and our gifts.

NAMING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY "Beautiful Saviour" Flor Peeters (A QR code at the end of the bulletin is available for online giving).

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE: #778 New Century Hymnal Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

With God's blessing, we are sent forth to follow Christ in the world.

* COMMISSIONING HYMN "Go, My Children, with My Blessing" #82

New Century Hymnal

(For full music, the New Century Hymnal is located in each pew rack)
Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone;
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own;
In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever,
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.

Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me; Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free. Here my Spirit's power filled you, here with tender comfort stilled you; Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.

*COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Psalm 19"

Benedetto Marcello

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Worship Endnotes: 1. Adapted from www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship 2. Adapted from www.re-worshipblogspot.com



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