## MORNING WORSHIP

February 2, 2020 Half past Ten O'Clock

## Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

When the organ begins, please prepare for worship through silent prayer and meditation. Following the service, greet one another with joy and affection!

## **GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

TIME OF MEDITATION AND REFLECTION

+WELCOME AND NOTICES

PRELUDE Prayer of St. Gregory Alan Hovhaness

Luke Boudreault, trumpet; Gay Pappin, organ

CHORAL INTROIT "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" arr. R. Vaughn Williams

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 100 Catherine and Hunter Miller

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the lands!

Congregation: Serve the Lord with gladness!

Leader: Come into His presence with singing!

Congregation: Know that the Lord is God!

Leader: It is He that made us, and we are His;

Congregation: We are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

Leader: Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise!

Congregation: Give thanks to Him, bless His name!

Leader: For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures for ever,

Congregation: And His faithfulness to all generations.

+\*HYMN 482 "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty" LOBE DEN HERREN

#### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Most holy and merciful Father; We acknowledge and confess before You; Our sinful nature prone to evil and slothful in good; And all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned; In wandering from Your ways; In wasting Your gifts; In forgetting Your love. But You, O Lord, have mercy upon us; Who are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased You. Teach us to hate our errors; Cleanse us from our secret faults; And forgive our sins; For the sake of Your dear Son. And O most holy and loving Father; Help us, we beseech You; To live in Your light and walk in Your ways; According to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

\*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel!

Congregation: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (Hymn 280) "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound" AMAZING GRACE

Through many dangers, toils, and snares, we have already come; 'Tis grace has brought us safe thus far, and grace will lead us home.

# PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Questions to the Parents and to the Congregation

\*Affirmation of Faith (Unison)
Prayer and the Act of Baptism

The Apostles' Creed

Hymnal, p. 14

Greeting a Child of God

Leader:

Perry Jane Liles is now identified as a child of God in Christ's Church. Through Baptism, God has put His seal upon Perry to share with us all the benefits of Christ's sacrifice. Let us be supportive of Welch and Morgan as they nurture Perry and assist her to be a faithful disciple.

People:

With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome Perry into Christ's Church, for we are all one in Christ. We promise to love, encourage and support you, to share the good news of God's love with you, and to celebrate with you God's unfolding blessings.

\*HYMN

"I Was There To Hear Your Borning Cry"

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.

I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.

I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;

I'll be there in case you wander off and find where demons dwell.

When you found the wonder of the Word, I was there to cheer you on;
You were raised to praise the living God, to whom you now belong.
Should you find someone to share your time and join your hearts as one,
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk till rising sun.

In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,
I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun.
When the evening gently closes in and you shut your weary eyes,
I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise.

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.

I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.

A MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Kim Lee

Immediately following Message for Young Disciples, kindergarteners and first graders are invited to Children's Worship. They will return to the Sanctuary during the Doxology.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

1 Chronicles 29:6-9, pew Bible, p. 380

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** 

Ephesians 2:19-22, pew Bible, p. 1065

SERMON

"The Cornerstone"

Frank Spencer

### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, CONCLUDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lori Raible

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Hymn of Dedication"

Molly Ijames

\*DOXOLOGY (Hymn 592)

OLD HUNDREDTH

\*LITANY OF DEDICATION (Unison)

adapted from John Baillie

Leader:

O eternal God, whom the heaven of heavens cannot contain but who graciously manifest, Yourself to Your people who assemble in Your name: be present with us who are gathered together to rededicate this house to Your glory, separating it from all unhallowed and common uses. Be with us as we set it apart entirely to Your service. Accept, we ask this

Leaders: Raleigh and Katy Shoemaker, Peggy and Bill St. George, Grant and Ashley Armistead

willing service at our hands, and grant that this house may continue to be a habitation of glory, so that all who seek Your presence here may behold Your everlasting light, and be

satisfied by Your eternal love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Congregation: Grant, O Lord, that by Your holy Word, which shall be read, studied and preached in

this place, the hearers thereof may both perceive and know what things we ought to do,

and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfill the same.

Leader: Grant, O Lord, that those who shall be dedicated unto You in this house by baptism may be

sanctified by Your Holy Spirit, and, being made living members of Christ's Church, may ever remain in the number of Your faithful children. Grant, O Lord, that those who in this place shall in their own persons renew the promises made for them at their baptism may so receive Your Holy Spirit that they may ever be enabled to keep their vows, and grow in

grace until they come to Your everlasting kingdom. Amen.

Congregation: Grant, O Lord, that those who shall receive in this place the blessed Sacrament of the

body and blood of Christ may do so with penitent hearts, lively faith, and perfect charity: and, being filled with Your grace and heavenly benediction, may be made

partakers of the Living Bread, and heirs through hope of everlasting life.

Leader: Grant, O Lord, that those who in this place shall be joined together in marriage may

faithfully perform their vow and covenant, and remain in perfect love together unto their

lives' end.

Congregation: Here may the members be loving and the strangers be invited and welcomed.

Leader: Here may the faithful find salvation, and the careless be awakened.

Congregation: Here may the doubting find faith, and the anxious be encouraged.

Leader: Here may the tempted find help, and the sorrowful comfort.

Congregation: Here may the weary find rest, and the strong be renewed.

Leader: Here may the aged find consolation, and the young be nurtured.

Unison: Now unto God who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think,

according to the power that works in us; unto God be glory in the Church by Christ

Jesus, throughout all ages, world with end. Amen.

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*HYMN 319 "Spirit"

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE Hosanna Franz Liszt

Jeremy Marks, trombone; Gay Pappin, organ

\*Those who are able, please stand.

+Ushers may seat late worshipers

### SELWYN AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WARMLY WELCOMES ALL WHO VISIT

Please take a moment to sign the registry of friendship as it is passed along your pew so that you may be greeted and greet others by name. If you are actively searching for a new church home, we invite you to fill out the card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. Membership is by one of three paths: 1) profession of faith in Jesus Christ (for those who have never been part of a Christian church); 2) re-affirmation of faith (for those who formerly were part of a congregation but have not been involved in recent times - for example, you were baptized and/or confirmed but moved and never engaged with a new congregation); or 3) transfer of membership from another congregation (your membership is with another church).

New members and prospective members are invited to participate in Orientation Classes, which are scheduled several times a year, and are a wonderful way to meet others and learn about our church and all the opportunities here. We always stand ready to be in communication with you about your particular situation. The contact information for all staff members is in the bulletin each week.