

God of power and patience, we gather in worship to wait on your presence and to be filled with your power. Jesus healed with a touch and taught us that you are the source of the true healing that can make us whole. As we take time now in worship to offer our gifts to you, we pray that they might be used to bring healing: of body, of spirit, of broken relationships; healing of a planet that is groaning under our carelessness and greed; healing of a world community that is deeply divided by distrust and self-interest. We pray this in Jesus' holy name. Amen.

PRAYER HYMN

Near to the Heart of God

UMH 472

CALL TO PRAYER / PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SENDING FORTH

What A Friend We Have in Jesus

UMH 526

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Fanfare on "Thine Is the Glory," Chas. Callahan

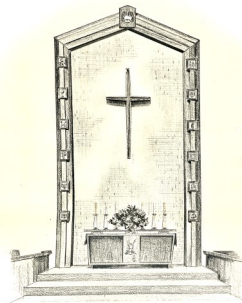
Organist: Joanne Reed

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Ash Wednesday: Receive Ashes at church (11-12AM) and home (after 1 PM), Service (7PM)
- Private Morning Prayer time: Tuesday through Friday 6 AM to 7 AM (Lenten Season ONLY)
- Large food Distribution: Tuesday 6PM, February 12, 2024 (Volunteers by 4:30PM)

OUTREACH MINISTRIES

- FAITHWORKS THRIFT SHOP: Monday 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM and 1st and 3rd Saturdays 9AM to 1 PM
- FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM: Monday 6:30 to 8:30 PM and 1st and 3rd Saturdays 9AM to 1 PM
- LARGE FOOD DISTRIBUTION: the 2nd Tuesday from 6 PM to 7:00 PM.



SPECIAL PRAY FOR:

Grace Damiano, Gloria Kluger, Carol Caputo, Marlon Horn, Chu & Jinwhan Lee, YoungBum Koo, George. Families who lost their beloved in Jordan.



CONNECTING & CARING

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10 AM, February 4, 2024

ONLINE ZOOM: Direct Connection: [LINK CLICK HERE](#)

Meeting ID: 202 185 2147 / Passcode: 243239

HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

(FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY)

PRELUDE

"To Thee, Lord Jesus, Thanks We Give," J S. Bach

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, sing a new song to God.

Praise the One who gathers us here.

Give thanks for the rain, the grass, and the earth.

Give thanks for the gifts of God.

Come, sing a song of praise.

We sing to the everlasting God. Amen.

HYMN

When Jesus the Healer Passed Through Galilee

UMH 263

OPENING PRAYER

Powerful God, from the very beginning you blessed creation. You have loved and shielded your people through all joys and trials of life. We come to you this day, rejoicing in the many blessings you have given to us. We open our hearts again to hear your

word for us and to gather strength and joy for service in your world. Be with us and bless us again, we pray. AMEN.

THE PEACE

The Peace of the risen Christ be with you!

And also with you!

Let us pass the peace to one another by waving.

INVITATION HYMN

This Is the Day

UMH 657

CHILDREN'S SERMON

HOLY COMMUNION

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 147:1-11, 20c (NRSV)

- 1 Praise the Lord! How good it is to sing praises to our God; for he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.
- 2 The Lord builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel.
- 3 He heals the brokenhearted, and binds up their wounds.
- 4 He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names.
- 5 Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.
- 6 The Lord lifts up the downtrodden; he casts the wicked to the ground.
- 7 Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre.
- 8 He covers the heavens with clouds, prepares rain for the earth, makes grass grow on the hills.
- 9 He gives to the animals their food, and to the young ravens when they cry.
- 10 His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the speed of a runner;
- 11 but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love. 20c Praise the Lord!

Mark 1:29-39 (NRSV)

- 29 As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John.
- 30 Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once.
- 31 He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.
- 32 That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons.
- 33 And the whole city was gathered around the door.
- 34 And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.
- 35 In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed.
- 36 And Simon and his companions hunted for him.
- 37 When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you."
- 38 He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do."
- 39 And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

RESPONSE

This is the word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

Benedictus on "Sicilian Mariners," Gordon Young

SERMON

Action is the presence of God

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GIVING OUR GIFTS

Doxology

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OFFERTORY PRAYER