

Jarvis Memorial UMC Order of Worship

January 30, 2022 Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

Gathering as the Body of Christ

Gathering Music Dr. Catherine Garner

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Don Mitchell

Chiming of the Hour

Organ Prelude Dr. Catherine Garner, Guest Organist

Choral Call to Worship

All Things Bright and Beautiful

*Call to Worship

(based on Psalm 25:1-5)

Minister: To you, O God, we lift up our souls. To you, we offer our praise and prayer; our worship and thanksgiving; our service and devotion. Make your ways known to us, we pray. Show us the path on which we should walk. Lead us in your truth and teach us. For you alone are the God who saves; the God in whom we trust; and the One for whom we wait.

All: Through Jesus, we pray. Amen.

Offering Our Prayers and Praise

*Opening Hymn

God of Grace and God of Glory

UMH 577

- 1. God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power; crown thine ancient church's story; bring her bud to glorious flower. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.
- 2. Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn thy Christ, assail his ways! Fears and doubts too long have bound us; free our hearts to work and praise. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days, for the living of these days.
- 3. Cure thy children's warring madness, bend our pride to thy control; shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.
- 4. Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore; let the search for thy salvation be our glory evermore. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore, serving thee whom we adore.

*Affirmation of Faith

"The Apostles' Creed"

UMH 881

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Gloria Patri UMH 71

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Call to Confession

(based on Psalm 139:23-24)

Minister: Let us bow before our God; confess; repent; and turn from our transgressions:

Prayer of Confession

Minister: The Psalmist declares: "Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my thoughts. See if there is any hurtful way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting." Wise and Mighty Lord, in these moments of confession, we admit that it is You alone who knows us completely. Before a word is on our tongues, You know it. Before an act or deed is committed, you know the intentions of our hearts. And yet, you still love us as your children; and offer us forgiveness when we repent and turn again in your direction. We are comforted by such a gift of holy love. We find strength, knowing we are never separated from your life-giving presence. We find hope, knowing you offer us a chance to begin anew.

All: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers.

Minister: Let us pause in silent confession:

Silent Confession (pause for silent confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Minister: Having confessed our sins both individually and corporately, let us hear the Good News of the Gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, restored, and offered new life.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Minister: All-Powerful God, sometimes the difficulties and burdens of our lives tempt us to put our trust in quick fixes rather than in You. In these sacred moments, give us clarity of thought and action. Help us recall each time You've carried us. Bring to mind the stories of your loving

provision for us...and for every generation. Help us to welcome You always as our Savior, Comforter, and Redeemer...rather than anything the world may offer. We also lift up those who are sick, discouraged, fearful, and grieving. Calm, heal, and revive. And last, equip and send us with the gifts of grace needed to be your loving witnesses here and the world over.

All: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers.

Minister: We lift up our joys and concerns in the name of Jesus:

(Sharing today's prayer list and congregational concerns.)

Silent Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth - as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory - forever. Amen.

*Hymn Because He Lives UMH 364

- 1. God sent his Son, they called him Jesus; he came to love, heal, and forgive; he lived and died to buy my pardon, an empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives. Because he lives, I can face tomorrow; because he lives, all fear is gone; because I know he holds the future, and life is worth the living just because he lives.
- 2. How sweet to hold a newborn baby, and feel the pride and joy he gives; but greater still the calm assurance, this child can face uncertain days because he lives. Because he lives, I can face tomorrow; because he lives, all fear is gone; because I know he holds the future, and life is worth the living just because he lives.
- 3. And then one day I'll cross the river; I'll fight life's final war with pain; and then as death gives way to victory, I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know he reigns. Because he lives, I can face tomorrow; because he lives, all fear is gone; because I know he holds the future, and life is worth the living just because he lives.

Sharing Our Blessings

Reminder: As a safety precaution, we are not passing the collection plates from pew to pew. Instead, a collection plate is stationed midway the back of the sanctuary near the rocking chairs for use on the way in or out. There is also a secured black lockbox by the stairwell in front of the receptionist's office that you may use. As always, tithes, offerings, and 2022 pledges may also be made online (www.Jarvis.Church or the Jarvis Church app). Thank you.

Dedication of Tithes and Offerings (adapted from a 13th century prayer by Bishop Richard of Chichester) Minister: Generous God, Provider of our every need, and Sustainer through our every trial, bless and multiply these offerings for your holy purposes...that we (and all the world) may know Thee more clearly; love Thee more dearly; and follow Thee more nearly.

All: Amen.

*Doxology

(*Please stand if able.*)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below:

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Proclaiming the Word

Prayer for Illumination

(based Ephesians 3:14-19)

Minister: Teaching and Nurturing God, redirect us so that all our thoughts and actions are rooted and established in love. Align our will with your holy will. Open our hearts and minds to see and hear You. Through your unchanging Word, remind us of the highest height and deepest depth of the love we have been given in Jesus Christ...so we may know your fullness and live as your faithful followers.

All: We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Epistle Lesson	First Corinthians 13:1-13	Pew Bible Page 175
Anthem	"The Gift of Love"	arr. Hopson
*Gospel Lessons	John 15:12-13	Pew Bible Page 109

Luke 4.21-30 Pew Bible Page 61

Minister: This is the Word of God, for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Message

"The Hometown Treatment" Rev. Don Mitchell (Last Week of the Series: Water-Washed: A Season of Renewal")

Called to Go Forth and Witness in the World

*Closing Hymn

Hymn of Promise

UMH 707

- 1. In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree; in cocoons, a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free! In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be, unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.
- 2. There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody; there's a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me. From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery, unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.
- 3. In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity; in our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity. In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory, unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

"Go in Love"

Please wait for the ushers to dismiss you pew by pew so that we may observe the safe gathering and safe exiting guidelines. Your cooperation is much appreciated as we continue preventative measures to care for and protect one another during this pandemic.

*Chimes of The Trinity

*Postlude

Scripture Lessons

Epistle Lesson (First Corinthians 13:1-13)

The Apostle Paul writes: If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way. It is not irritable or resentful. It does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, and endures all things.

Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; but when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways.

For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

Leader: This ends our Epistle Lesson.

*Gospel Lessons

(John 15:12-13)

Jesus said: "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, than to lay down one's life for one's friends."

(Luke 4:21-30)

Jesus began to say to them: "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." All [in his hometown] spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said: "Is not this Joseph's son?" He said to them: "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say: 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum."

Jesus continued: "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land. Yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian."

When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove Jesus out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But Jesus passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

(The congregation may be seated.)

Prayers For God's People – January 30, 2022



Those with January/February birthdays:

Millie Hagler (1-31), Mitch Keen (1-31), Byron Mumaw (1-31), Michael Bowman (2-1), Danielle Furlough (2-1), Logan Mooney (2-1), Dean Owen (2-1), Chris Poole (2-1), Natasha Stephenson (2-1), Bill Taylor (2-1), Gray Brooks (2-2), Bill Johnson (2-3), Sheila Hall (2-4), Dianne Jevicky (2-4), Kristal Kypson (2-4), Shannon Lefavi (2-4), Anne Parkinson (2-4), Gracie Schremp (2-4), Thomas Stroud (2-4), Linda Miles (2-5), Janet Ricciarelli (2-5), Ross Woodall (2-5), Harrison Britt (2-6), Terry Cagle (2-6), Stewart Goodson (2-6), Kate Harrington (2-6), Dennis Leanhardt (2-6), Denny Likosar (2-6), Gretta Smith (2-6)

Homebound or in nursing homes:

Jennie Brooks, Melva Burke, Gayle Cobb, David Duncan, Louise Duncan, Pat Earnhardt, Dot Ellen, Barbara Neville, Anne Parkinson, Dave Simmons, Ann Slocumb, Cecil Turner, Elizabeth Waters, Carol West

Members of the congregation (ten families per week):

Mr. and Mrs. Kevin and Leslie Pagliari, Mr. and Mrs. Chris and Sarah Pardue, Tracy Parham, Kim Park, Lisa Park, Dawn Parker, Carson Parker, Kimberly Parker, Mr. and Mrs. James and Nancy Parker, Linwood Parker

Health or other concerns, upcoming operations or hospitalizations:

John and Lisa Britt, Monty Clark, Vickie Clement, Catherine Cooke, Matt Davis, Martha Ferrell, Larue Hill, Jennifer C. Hopper, Carol Howard, Trey Kuhn, Roger and Barbara Lamothe, Patsy Moore, Jimmy Munn, Sandra Nabors, Lyman and Holly Ormond, Peter Read, Margaret Rives (Christy Twiddy's mother), Jerrie Rogers, Dorothee Taylor, Etta Taylor, Sally Thompson, Joy Tice, Bruce Winchester

Families who have recently lost loved ones:

Rev. Rhonda Grant Jordan and Gaston upon the death of her sister, Sharon Dukes

Anissa and Lee Potter upon the death of her brother, Fulton Roberts (1-7) BJ and Margaret Myers upon the death of his sister-in-law, Dinah Snead (1-6) Cindy and Chris Challender upon the death of her mother, Louise Daughtry (12-28) Hilda Alford upon the death of her husband, Charles Stephen Alford, Sr. (12-24) Sharon Angel upon the death of her mother, Judy Garris (12-19) Stephen West upon the death of his mother, Betty West (12-17) Janet and Keith Holley upon the death of her father, George (Tad) T. Myers (12-12)

2021 Confirmands:

Julia Begelman, Christian Clark, Zoey Hardy, Chloe Lewis, Evan Price, Gracie Schremp, McGavock Smith, Katie Tuten, Georgia Fanning, Zadoc Fanning

2021 New Members:

Debi Robertson, Tom and Martha Cameron, Richard and Nancy Winn, Ed and Genny Kelly, Grace Kriner, Michael and Catherine McKee, Dixie Wilson, Terrell Alston, Andrew and Brie Denton, Rev. Bob Tilley, Shakira Brewington, Tracy Ferguson, Rev. Connie Belmore, Robert Welch, Bobby and Nancy Day, Ben and Haley Gawron, Dr. Robert and Jane Capps