

## **Jarvis Memorial UMC Order of Worship**

Third Sunday after Epiphany January 23, 2022

# Gathering as the Body of Christ

Gathering Music Dr. Catherine Garner

Welcome and Announcements

Chiming of the Hour

Organ Prelude Dr. Catherine Garner, Guest Organist

Choral Call to Worship All Things Bright and Beautiful

\*Call to Worship (from Psalm 19:1-5)

Minister: The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

All: Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

Minister: There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;

All: Yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. Minister: In the heavens, the Lord has set a tent for the sun which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy; and like a strong man, runs its course with joy.

All: Alleluia! Amen.

# Offering Our Prayers and Praise

\*Opening Hymn

How Great Thou Art

**UMH 77** 

- 1. O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed. Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art!
- 2. When through the woods and forest glades I wander, and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze; then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art!
- 3. And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in; that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to take away my sin; then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art!
- 4. When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart. Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, my God, how great thou art!

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art!

\*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 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

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

Prayer of Confession

(based on Nehemiah 8, Psalm 19, 1 Corinthians 12, Luke 4)

Minister: Ever present One, you call us to be your presence as your body in this world. Yet too often, we get caught up in being a hand or a foot, and we lose sight of the overarching mission you set before us. We fracture into pieces. We go our separate ways, forgetting we need each other to be whole. You have given us your law to be our guide. However, we turn our backs on what we see as rules and restrictions...fearful that we will not live up to your expectations. Help us see with new eyes. Teach us to listen with the ears of our hearts. Remind us of the liberating spirit of your law that strengthens, revives, and enables us to become the family you created us to be.

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

Minister: We ask this in Jesus our Savior's name, as we pause in silent confession:

Silent Confession (pause for silent confession)

#### Assurance of Pardon

Minister: The Spirit of God is upon us. God has called us to bring Good News and liberation to the poor, to the marginalized, and to all who are in need. God's joy is our strength. Through God we can do all things. God's Spirit surrounds us with forgiveness and love.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

#### Pastoral Prayer

Minister: Our gracious eternal God, we thank you for this day. Teach us better how to live one day at a time and not to wish our moments away. Bring to us a sense of inner peace which comes from your power. Bring to us a sense of wonder and joy in the practice of our faith. Bring

to us courage for the challenges which come our way. And bring to us a commitment to one another, so that differences will not shake or fracture our sense of community. Visit those whose lives are in jeopardy: those who are ill; those suffering the lingering pains of grief; those who must face life with deficits and limitations which diminish life's joys and freedoms; those whose retirement finds one spouse in the role of being a caregiver. Use us in providing ministry and comfort for them. Bless also our world, our world leaders, and all peoples of the earth so that good will, justice, and peace may be realized. Amen

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

(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 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee UMH 89

- 1. Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love; hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away. Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!
- 2. All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays, stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.
- 3. Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest! Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are thine; teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.
- 4. Mortals, join the mighty chorus which the morning stars began; love divine is reigning o'er us, binding all within its span. Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife; joyful music leads us sunward, in the triumph song of life.

# **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**

Minister: God who created us, as we gather to worship you, we are conscious that we are all one body in Christ. When one part of the body is hurting, the whole body is wounded. When healing

happens, the whole body is blessed. May our giving bring love to the parts of Christ's body that are feeling unloved and forgotten. May our tithes, offerings, and acts of love bring justice and mercy to those parts that are oppressed and burdened. In our giving, may we find the joy of blessing the whole body of Christ. In his holy name, we pray.

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

Minister: Blessed Lord, you have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them . . . that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ.

All: Through Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever, we pray. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson

Nehemiah 8:1-3,5,6,8-10

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Anthem

"One Bread, One Body"

arr. Mark Hayes

One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless. And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord. Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man no more. Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all.

\*Gospel Lesson

Luke 4:14-21

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Message

"Fulfilled"

Rev. Rhonda Jordan

(Week Four of the Series: Water-Washed: A Season of Renewal")

# Called to Go Forth and Witness in the World

\*Closing Hymn

Christ for the World We Sing

**UMM 568** 

- 1. Christ for the world we sing, the world to Christ we bring, with loving zeal; the poor, and them that mourn, the faint and overborne, sin sick and sorrow worn, whom Christ doth heal.
- 2. Christ for the world we sing, the world to Christ we bring, with fervent prayer; the wayward and the lost, by restless passions tossed; redeemed at countless cost, from dark despair.
- 3. Christ for the world we sing, the world to Christ we bring, with one accord; with us the work

to share, with us reproach to dare, with us the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.

4. Christ for the world we sing, the world to Christ we bring; with joyful song; the newborn souls, whose days, reclaimed from error's ways, inspired with hope and praise, to Christ belong.

\*Benediction

"God Be With You Till We Meet Again"

**UMH 673** 

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

#### **Old Testament Lesson**

Nehemiah 8: 1-3, 5,6, 8-10

And all the people gathered themselves together as one man into the street that was before the water gate; and they spake unto Ezra the scribe to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had commanded to Israel. And Ezra the priest brought the law before the congregation both of men and women, and all that could hear with understanding, upon the first day of the seventh month. And he read therein before the street that was before the water gate from the morning until midday, before the men and the women, and those that could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive unto the book of the law.

And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people; (for he was above all the people;) and when he opened it, all the people stood up.

And Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God. And all the people answered, Amen, Amen, with lifting up their hands: and they bowed their heads, and worshipped the LORD with their faces to the ground.

So they read in the book in the law of God distinctly, and gave the sense, and caused them to understand the reading. And Nehemiah, which is the Tirshatha, and Ezra the priest the scribe, and the Levites that taught the people, said unto all the people, This day is holy unto the LORD your God; mourn not, nor weep. For all the people wept, when they heard the words of the law. Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared: for this day is holy unto our LORD: neither be ye sorry; for the joy of the LORD is your strength.

Minister: This ends our Old Testament Lesson.

\*First Gospel Lesson (Luke 4:14-21)

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

And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee: and there went out a fame of him through all the region round about. And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified of all. And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read. And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written, the Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord. And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him. And he began to say unto them, this day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.

#### All: Thanks be to God.

(The congregation may be seated.)

## Prayers For God's People – January 23, 2022



### Those with January birthdays:

Max Begelman (1-24), Tobey Flores (1-24), Aaron Marr (1-24), Wanda Cozart (1-25), Alice Daugherty (1-25), Mike Horton (1-25), Jack Potter (1-25), Michael Potter (1-25), Jim Whitehurst (1-25), Kathryn Flores (1-26), Croft Massey (1-26), Olivia Thomas (1-26), Sarah Needham (1-27), Dick Douglas (1-28), William Hargett (1-28), Georgia Mayo (1-28), Art McMillan (1-28), Austin Vaughn (1-28), Betsy Criscitiello (1-29), Lanier Evans (1-29), Wooty Ledbetter (1-29), Ben Lee (1-29), Marcia Ashworth (1-30), Carol Martin (1-30), Ashley Smith (1-30), Frances Swanson (1-30), Sue Wright (1-30)

#### 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):

Gwyn O'Leary, Linda O'Leary, Sandra O'Rourke, Mr. and Mrs. George and Ashley Odom, Mackenzie Odom, Mr. and Mrs. Lyman and Holly Ormond, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry and Linda Osbourne, Lisa Ours, Nick Ours, Mr. and Mrs. Dean and Katherine Owen

#### Health or other concerns, upcoming operations or hospitalizations:

Anne Briley, John and Lisa Britt, Monty Clark, Vickie Clement, Catherine Cooke, Matt Davis, Martha Ferrell, 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), Debbie Rogers, Jerrie Rogers, Dorothee Taylor, Etta Taylor, 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) Tom Moore upon the death of his sister, Janet Logan (12-11) Rhonda Argenbright upon the death of her brother, Tony Hager (12-7)

#### 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