

**Third Sunday after Epiphany**  
10:00 a.m. January 26, 2025

Entering God's Presence

Welcome, Life in the Community, and Ritual of Friendship

\*Hymn 610                      ***O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing***                      AZMON

\*Expressing Our Joy

*Leader: The Living God has brought us this far on our journey.*

***People: God has given bread to the hungry and rest to the weary.***

*Leader: God has shown us the future generations – the children in our midst.*

***People: And faithful to the divine promise, God has clothed us with salvation and joy.***

*Leader: What more can we ask of God?*

***People: To bless us and future generations forever and to give us the courage to pray with trust and serve with joy.***

*Leader: May the Lord be with you.*

***People: And also with you.***

*Leader: Let us pray. (Congregation seated.)*

Prayer of Trust and Confidence

Invitation to Self-Examination and Confession of our Need for God's Forgiveness (unison)

***God of all forgiveness, we pray for new life as we confess our old ways. We hear your promise amid our own self-doubt. Hope is proclaimed, yet we seek guarantees. Christ calls us to obedience, but we set conditions. When called to follow, we ask to what end. We applaud commitment, but we treasure our comfort. Forgive our reluctance to walk in newness of life.***

Time of Silence and Personal Confession

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

\*Hymn 501                      ***Feed Us, Lord***                      FEED US

Exodus 16:4-8 (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 60 in the pew Bible.]

Anthem                      ***On Eagle's Wings***                      Michael Joncas

Mark 6:30-44 (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 38-39 in the pew Bible.]

Sermon    ***The Work of Christmas: To FEED the Hungry***    The Rev. Vance E. Polley

\*Affirmation of Faith and ***Gloria Patri*** (No. 581)

***Christ Jesus though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient unto death— even death on a Cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.*** (Phil. 2:5-11)

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\*At the Presentation                      ***Doxology*** (No. 606)                      OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Dedication, concluding with *The Lord's Prayer*

***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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; 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 727                      ***Will You Let Me Be Your Servant***                      THE SERVANT SONG

\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction

\*Going Out into the World

\*Those that are able, please stand.