

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

January 3rd, 2016

2nd Sunday after Christmas Epiphany Sunday

Order of Morning Worship

11:00 am

Prelude

Procession

Welcome and Prayer of the Day

Preparation for the Word

The Call to Worship (Psalm 147:12-20)

Leader: Worship the LORD, O Jerusalem; praise your God, O Zion;

People: *for God has strengthened the bars of your gates and blessed your children within you.*

Leader: God has established peace on your borders and satisfies you with the finest wheat.

People: *God's command is sent out to the earth, and the word of the LORD runs very swiftly.*

Leader: God gives snow like wool and scatters hoarfrost like ashes.

People: *God scatters hail like bread crumbs; who can stand against the cold of the LORD?*

Leader: God's word is sent forth and melts them; God's stormwinds blow, and the waters flow.

People: *God's word is declared to Jacob, God's statutes and judgments to Israel.*

All: *The LORD has not done so to any other nation; to them God's judgments have not been revealed. Hallelujah!*

•Hymn 63 "As with Gladness Men of Old"

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal your love for all people. We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of your light. We turn away from the poor; we ignore cries for justice; we do not strive for peace. In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin, and baptize us once again with your Spirit, that, forgiven and renewed, we may show forth your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ.

Moment of Silent Confession

Kyrie 572 "Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us"
*Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

Assurance of Pardon (Respond with Alleluia, Amen!)

•Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks #106 (refrain)
*Alleluia, Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, Alleluia! Give praise to His Name.*

•The Peace

Leader: . . . The peace of Christ be with you all!

People: *And also with you.*

•Gloria Patri

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Proclamation of the Word

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Isaiah 60:1-6 (*pages 651-652*)

Ephesians 1:3-14 (*page 177*)

Matthew 2:1-12 (*pages 1-2*)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord!

People: *Thanks be to God!*

Laura Barmore

Children's Sermon

Anthem "Only Trust Him"

Adult Choir

Homily "Follow The Star"

Rev. J. David Shearer

Response to the Word

•Apostles' Creed (Traditional) page 14

•Hymn 66 "We Three Kings of Orient Are"

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Announcements/Joys & Concerns

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Leader: The Lord be with you,

People: *and also with you.*

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: *We lift them to the Lord.*

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: *It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

Sanctus Hymn 581 "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord"

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Response

Leader: Great is the mystery of faith:

People: *Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.*

Epiklesis, Intercession for the Church and World and the Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Communion

Prayer after Communion

Amen #583 - *Amen. Amen. Amen.*

The Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory “Canon in D” JoAnn Pendley, Piano; Allyson True, Flute

•Doxology (#592)

•Prayer of Dedication

•Hymn 56 “The First Nowell” THE FIRST NOWELL

•Charge and Benediction

•Congregational Response “Go, Tell It on the Mountain” #29 (*refrain*)

Go, tell it on the mountain

Over the hills and everywhere;

Go, tell it on the mountain

That Jesus Christ is born!

Postlude

•Those who are able, please stand