Fairview Moravian Church



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Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 24, 2021, 10:00 AM

Watchword of the Week:

How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

Psalm 139:17

Prelude

Lord, Here Am I

Arr. Page

Welcome and Announcements

Marshall Mathers

Call to Worship

Choir: (stanza 1) "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in deepest sin, my hand will save. I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"

Congregation: (singing refrain) "Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart."

Leader: Listen, God is calling you to witness and serve.

Choir (stanza 3): "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them, my hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

Congregation: (singing refrain) "Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart."

Leader: God has searched for you and found you. God has healed your sorrows and wounds. Open your hearts to God's magnificent love.

Congregation: Come, Lord, come into our lives. AMEN.

Prayers of the People/Pastoral Prayer

Mr. Mathers

Liturgy for Evangelism, Page 133

Kristen Hailey

Holy! Holy! Holy!
The Lord Almighty is holy!

God's glory fills the world!

NICAEA (144 C)

Holy, holy holy Lord God Almighty! All your works shall praise your name In earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity!

God of creation, whose love invites all people to receive the blessing reserved for us since before time began,

Grant ears of faith, that each one may clearly hear your gracious call.

God of salvation, whose love encompasses all humanity, who assumed flesh and blood and died that all might live,

Give eyes of faith, Lord Jesus, that everyone may plainly see you among us.

God of inspiration, whose love initiates new ways of reaching out to all who risk believing,

Guide our lives in faith, that we may willingly become your instruments of love and truth.

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All: All people of each time and place Receive the promise of God's grace.

Choir: O praise God! Congregation: Alleluia!

All: And all who have not heard God's voice,

We now invite you, "Come! Rejoice!"

Choir: O praise God! Congregation: Alleluia! Choir: O praise God! Congregation: Alleluia!

All: Alleluia!

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With gratitude to the Lord we remember our rich heritage of committed servants, who carried the good news to their neighbors throughout the world, who followed Jesus' command: Go to all people and make them my disciples.

We thank you, Eternal God, for those who have gone before us, faithful to the great commission. We praise you for imparting to us the same mission to reach others for Christ.

With humility before the Lord, we confess our sin:

When we fail to communicate Jesus' promise of new life, When we have not reached beyond ourselves with the word entrusted to us,

When we retreat into comfortable sanctuaries and do not seek to be a light to the nations,

When we become preoccupied with church involvement for its own sake, and do not labor to proclaim salvation to the ends of the earth,

Forgive us, we pray.

When we fail to recognize that the measure of success is not only in the number of constituents, but also in the sincerity of conversion, When we are too timid or afraid to speak the gospel message to those you want to hear it,

When we allow a life of ease to divert us from those who need your love through us,

Forgive us, we pray.

Touch our lips with the burning coals of your forgiveness,

And purify our hearts.

The Lord your Redeemer says: Now your guilt is gone and your sins are forgiven.

THE ASH GROVE

With praise and thanksgiving to God ever living
The tasks of our everyday life we will face,
Our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,
Embracing God's children of each tribe and race.
God's grace did invite us, God's love shall unite us
To work for the kingdom and answer its call.
The seed of Christ's teaching, receptive souls reaching,
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.

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Throughout the ages God's call to mission summons a response.

We affirm our heartfelt yearning to reply.

God asks: Whom shall I send? Who will be my messenger?

And like Isaiah, the answer flows from our soul and forms on our lips, "I will go. Send me."

God, our Redeemer, we share a longing to minister as partners, together with you and each other. Our desire is shaped by your will, our commitment molded by your covenant.

We dedicate ourselves again this day. We accept the challenge joyfully to proclaim Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

We covenant with you to be loving instruments of understanding and forgiveness among those to whom you send us.

We promise anew to be living invitations for others to meet you as Lord and Savior.

We press on with resolve so that your word may spread rapidly and you may be glorified everywhere. We must work the works of him who sends us while it is day; night is coming when no one can work.

We will go. Send us.

FESTAL SONG

Good news is ours to tell! Let no one fail to hear! God gives us life; God conquers death! There's nothing we must fear.

Proclaim the gracious word: God loves the whole wide earth, To lift, to save, to reconcile, To grant essential worth!

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Anthem Psalm 139 Pote

Lord, you have searched me and known me. You know ev'rything I do. When I rise up, when I lie down, You are with me through and through. Before a word is on my tongue, You know what I will say, Your presence follows me day by day. Where can I flee from Your spirit? Where can I go to run away? If I go to heaven, or live in hell, You are there.

Search me, O God, and know me. Try me and know my heart. See if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. Amen.

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Children's Message

Kathy Davis

Reading of God's Word

Betty Sutton

1 Samuel 3:1-10

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Sermon

Bringing People to Jesus

Mr. Shields

John 1:43-51

Hymn 714

Blessed Assurance

ASSURANCE

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain:

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long. This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight.

Angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love. [Refrain]

Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blessed, watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love. [Refrain]

Benediction Mr. Shields

Postlude I Am Thine, O Lord Arr. Whitworth

News of the Congregation January 27, 2021

Reminders:

W.F. Executive Board Mtg.-Monday, January 25 at 10:30a.m.-CR

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Monday, 1/25 Friday, 1/29

Michael Kimel Jean Townsend

Thursday, 1/30

Jeanne Willard

Attention Committee Chairs and Treasurers – it's time to get your 2020 Reports for Church Council in to the church office by today.

The General Fund has received gifts in memory of Herb Bluhm from Doris Bostian; in memory of Tootie Barbour from Brenda and John Miller, Gene Cheek and Beulah and Paula Johnson; in memory of Gayle Heck from Mae Norman; in honor of Bill Wright Jr. from Brenda and John Miller.

The Choir Fund has received gifts in memory of Earlette Peek, Gayle Heck, Tootie Barbour, Jill Mayer and Herb Bluhm from Judy and Jerry Byerly.

Pledges/Offerings/Gifts/Other for 1/17/21 \$1,134.00

Monthly Budget Needs Monies Received Month to Date 35,065.59 5,989.00

Needed as of January 17

\$29,076.59

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Lifting in Prayer

Our Church Family:

Betty Bennett, Judy Byerly, Nelson Cannon, Roger Carmichael, Oneita Dease, Anna Frances Dull, Betty Fulp, Annie Harrold, John Harrold, Anne Hauser, Jean and Harvey Lunsford, Nancy Manuel, Ann and David Marcus, Dot Moore, Tom Nicholson, Doris "DG" Noell, Bob Peek, Harry Sapp, Gwen Shields, Vienna Village Residents and Staff, Evelyn West, Jeanne Willard.

Our Family and Friends:

Shane Draughn (friend of Pam Tatum)

Margaret Huggin (friend of Jane and Henry Hilker)

Luke Whitler (friend of Pam Tatum)

If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, please call the church office and let us know.

Pray for our Friends and Family Members in the Military:

Jordan Hailey (Navy – son of Jerry Hailey)

Daniel Millikan (Army – son of Dianne & Alan Millikan)

Jeremiah Millikan (Navy – son of Dianne & Alan)

Christian Nixon (Army National Guard-nephew of

Candice & Rod Back)

Timothy Raiford (Navy – nephew of Judy & Jerry Byerly)

Eric Tise (Air Force- Korea – grandson of Lindsay)

Michael Timmons (Army National Guard - son of

LuAnn and David Timmons)

Cameron Yokley (Marine Reservist - son of Robin & Bill)