FEBRUARY 26, 2023 10:00 AM

WE GATHER TOGETHER PRAISING GOD

Prelude Greeting Introit Video Announcements Welcome

Call to Worship Ioan Foster

One: Listen!

All: There is hope to be found here.

One: Listen!

All: God calls you by name here.

One: Listen!

All: There is love that abides here.

One: This world is full of chatter, so may we do our best to listen.

All: God is speaking. One: Let us worship.

All: Amen.

*Opening Hymn #64

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty" Vs. 1, 2 & 4

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.

Holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee. Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea, Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Call to Confession **Joan Foster**

Prayer of Confession

Holy God,

*Please stand as you are able

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Too often we treat your Word like a radio station—something we can tune in and out of when it's convenient. Our minds are full of ads, emails, news updates, and notifications. In the midst of this clutter, we tend to gravitate toward the voices that think like us—easily ignoring the voices being silenced, easily ignoring your voice. Forgive us for failing to listen. Forgive us for getting caught in distractions. Forgive us for forgetting what your voice sounds like. Drain the distractions from our minds and help us turn once again toward you. With earnest hearts we pray, amen.

Words of Forgiveness

Ioan Foster

One: Friends, even when we tune God out, even when we prioritize other voices, even when we do all the talking and fail to listen, we are still held by God.

Our sins are forgiven. Nothing could ever separate us from God's love.

So with joy in our hearts, please repeat after me: I am loved!

All: I am loved!

One: I am held in grace!
All: I am held in grace!
One: I belong to God.
All: I belong to God.

One: Amen.

*Sharing the Peace of Christ #2034

"Blessed Be The Name of the Lord" Sing twice

Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be the name of the Lord,

Blessed be the name of the Lord most high.

Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be the name of the Lord,

Blessed be the name of the Lord most high.

The name of the Lord is a strong tower, the righteous run in to it and they are saved.

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WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Children's Time
Scripture: Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7; Matthew 4:1-11
Message: First, Listen

Dart Rhoades
Joan Foster
Rev. Lori Leopold

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE

Affirmation of Faith

One: In a world full of noise,

All: we believe that God is speaking.

One: In a world full of chaos,

All: we believe that God is singing.
One: In a world full of temptation,
All: we believe that God is healing.
One: Church, who will you listen to?

All: We will listen to God—our Creator, Friend, and Guide.

One: Church, what will you listen for?

All: We will listen for water in the desert, for the wind of the Spirit, for the laughter of children, for the sound of open doors, and for God's voice, who calls us beloved. Amen.

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Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia! Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek and ye shall find; Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

Prayers of the People

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

*Doxology

Gladly we praise you and bless you, Creator, O God of life. Christ, we adore you and thank you, Compassion of God, our light. Great Holy Spirit, by you we are born from above. Alleluia! Praise the God of blessing! Alleluia! Bless the God of love!

*Prayer of Dedication

Ioan Foster

Merciful One, we do not live by bread alone but by every word that comes from your mouth. Still, we seek your blessing upon this offering, for many are hungry and need food, many are naked and need clothes, many are homeless and need shelter. May these gifts reflect the depth of our gratitude as they go into the world. In Jesus's name, we pray. Amen.

*Closing Hymn #431

"Let There Be *Peace* on Earth"

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me; Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.

With God our creator, children all are we.

Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now.

With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:

To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

^{*}Benediction

^{*}Please stand as you are able

*Eagle's Wings

And God will raise you up on eagle's wings, Bear you on the breath of dawn, Make you to shine like the sun, And hold you in the palm of God's hand.



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Our altar flowers are donated by Michelle Arias in memory of her grandfather, Jose Arias. He passed away this past Thanksgiving, but we honor his birthday today.

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February Memory Scripture Verse Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. Psalm 23:6