

JANUARY 21, 2024

MORNING WORSHIP
3RD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

10:30 A.M.

*THE GLORIA PATRI

HYMNAL #579

GREETING THE GATHERED: The Love of Jesus Christ be with you!
ALL: And also with you!

THE FIRST READING | Jonah 3: 1-5, 10

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

PRELUDE *The Prelude marks the beginning of worship. Please observe silence as the Prelude begins.*

THE ANTHEM

THE CALL TO WORSHIP ---*Psalm 62: 5,6*

⁵For God alone my soul waits in silence,
for my hope is from him.

⁶He alone is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress; I shall not be shaken.

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON TEXT | Mark 1: 14-20

THE SERMON TITLE | "The Kingdom of God Has Come Near"

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE

HYMNAL #145

"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED

**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 Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

**We confess that we have sacrificed Your goodness for material goods.
We have meditated on our problems instead of meditating on Your promises.
We have shunned Your faithful love by seeking solace in sinful places.
We humbly seek Your mercy, O Lord.
Please forgive our rebellion and ignorance, our wayward hearts and loose tongues.
Restore us, O Lord, to the joy of Your salvation and make us willing to obey You.
Amen.**

THE OFFERING & THE OFFERTORY

*THE DOXOLOGY *(Please be seated afterwards)*

THE DEDICATION AND PASTORAL PRAYER WITH OUR LORD'S PRAYER

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOR OUR INDIVIDUAL SIN

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE

HYMNAL #333

"Seek Ye First"

THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us?
God, who did not withhold the Beloved Son, but gave him up for all of us.
Will God not also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect?
It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised,
who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. -- Romans 8: 31-34

THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*PASSING THE PEACE AND BEARING CHRIST'S PEACE TO THE WORLD

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ you are forgiven.
Thanks be to God.

*THE POSTLUDE

**All Who Are Able Please Stand*

WELCOME & INVITATION

*This church welcomes you, no matter who you are,
where you come from, or why you are here.*

*We are Christ's people,
and this is Christ's place with its doors open wide.*

*If you are passing through, Godspeed;
if you are looking for a home, stay here;
if you need instruction, learn from us as we learn from you.
We invite visitors to join us, but most of all, to return often.*

We are so glad you are here.

Profession of Faith with the Pastor

*If you have never made a profession of faith and asked Christ
to be the Lord of your life, Pastor Jody will be happy to help you begin that journey today.
He is available to meet in the Pastor's Study each Sunday immediately following
worship to discuss the gift of salvation God has prepared for us all.
Just ask him during greeting time after worship if he has a few minutes to talk.*

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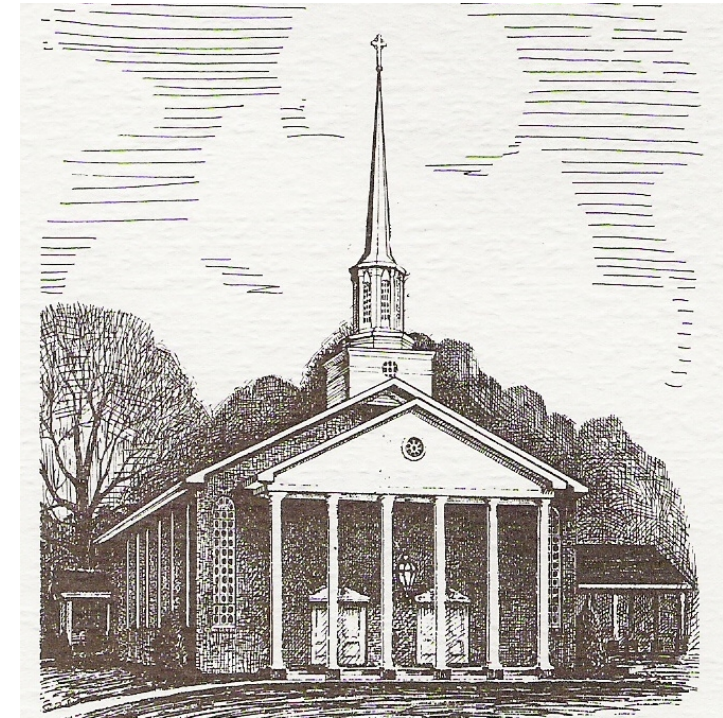
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