

# The Worship of God

## Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 19, 2020

Music for Gathering

Marietta Mobley, piano

Christ Candle

Avery White

Opening Sentences

Rev. Alan Sherouse

Voluntary

Gerre Hancock

A Paraphrase on Beautiful Savior  
Rev. Doug Vancil, organ

†Responsive Call to Worship

Terri Vancil

Christ manifested in the flesh,  
Christ revealed in the Spirit.

**Praise the Lord, all you nations.**

Christ contemplated by the angels,  
Christ worshiped by the Magi.

**Praise the Lord, all you nations.**

Christ believed in the world,  
Christ exalted in glory.

**Praise the Lord, all you nations.**

†Hymn of Praise 115

BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

Fairest Lord Jesus

†Words of Friendship

Rev. Courtney Willis

A Time for Children

Christina McCord

## Responsive Psalm 40:1-11

Rev. Willis

I waited patiently upon the LORD,  
who stooped to me and heard my cry.  
The Lord lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the miry clay,  
and set my feet upon a high cliff, making my footing sure.

**The LORD put a new song in my mouth,  
a song of praise to our God;  
many shall see, and stand in awe,  
and put their trust in the LORD.**

Happy are they who trust in the LORD!  
They do not turn to enemies or to those who follow lies.

**Great are the wonders you have done, O LORD my God!  
In your plans for us, none can be compared with you!  
Oh, that I could make them known and tell them!  
But they are more than I can count.**

Sacrifice and offering you do not desire; you have opened my ears:  
burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required.

**And so I said, "Here I am; I come.  
In the scroll of the book it is written of me:  
'I love to do your will, O my God;  
your law is deep within me.'"**

I proclaimed righteousness in the great assembly;  
I have not restrained my lips, O Lord, you know.  
I have not hidden your righteousness in my heart;

**I have spoken of your faithfulness and our deliverance;  
I have not concealed your steadfast love and truth  
from the great assembly.**

You are the Lord; do not withhold your compassion from me;  
**may your steadfast love and your truth  
continually keep me safe.**

Prayers of God's People

Rev. Willis

tHymn

NEW BRITAIN

I Waited Patiently for God

I wait - ed pa - tient - ly for God, for God  
to hear my prayer; and God bent down to  
where I sank and lis - tened to me there.

God raised me from a miry pit, from mud and sinking sand,  
and set my feet upon a rock where I can firmly stand.

And on my lips a song was put, a new song to the Lord.  
Many will marvel open-eyed and put their trust in God.

Great wonders you have done, O Lord, all purposed for our good.  
Unable every one to name, I bow in gratitude.

Opening of God's Word

Emme Norman

Scripture Lesson

Rev. Willis

John 1.29-42

Sermon

Rev. Sherouse

Seeing the Gospel

Hymn of Response 90

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Christ Is the World's Light

Musical Interlude

Offertory Prayer

Dr. Ryan Moody, deacon

Choral Offering

John Ferguson

Lord of the Dance

Sanctuary Choir, Tony Sanders, Music Intern, organ

I danced in the morning when the world was begun,  
and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,  
and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth;  
at Bethlehem I had my birth.

Dance then wherever you may be;  
I am the Lord of the dance, said he,  
and I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,  
and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.

I danced for the scribe and the pharisee,  
but they wouldn't dance, and they wouldn't follow me;  
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;  
they came with me and the dance went on.

I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame:  
the holy people said it was a shame,  
they whipped and they stripped and they hung me high,  
and left me there on a cross to die.

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black,  
it's hard to dance with the devil on your back,  
they buried my body and they thought, I'd, gone. But!  
I am the dance and I still go on.

They cut me down and I leapt up high;  
I am the life that'll never, never die;  
I'll live in you if you'll live in me.  
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he. —words by Sydney Carter.

## **tBenediction**

Rev. Sherouse

## **tSong of Dismissal**

ANTIOCH

He rules the world with truth and grace  
and makes the nations prove  
the glories of his righteousness,  
and wonders of his love,  
and wonders of his love,  
and wonders, wonders of his love.

—paraphrase of Psalm 98.9 by Isaac Watts

## **tClosing Voluntary**

Michael Dell

Organ Flourish on "Joy to the World"