

The Worship of God

Third Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday, January 23, 2022

*You, Lord, are both lamb and Shepherd, You, Lord, are both prince and slave.
You, peacemaker and swordbringer of the way you took and gave.
You, the everlasting instant; You, whom we both scorn and crave.*

*Clothed in light upon the mountain, stripped of might upon the cross,
shining in eternal glory, beggared by a soldier's toss,
You, the everlasting instant; You, who are both gift and cost.*

*You, who walk each day beside us, sit in power at God's side.
You, who preach a way that's narrow, have a love that reaches wide.
You, the everlasting instant; You who are our pilgrim guide.*

*Worthy is our earthly Jesus! Worthy is our cosmic Christ!
Worthy your defeat and victory. Worthy still your peace and strife.
You, the everlasting instant; You who are our death and life.*

—text by Sylvia Dunstan

Steeple Bells

10:30 am

Christ Candle

Opening the Bible

Max McCracken

Opening Sentences

Rev. Alan Sherouse

Introit

PICARDY

*Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly minded, for with blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth descendeth, our full homage to demand.*

Shelby Moss, McCormick Music Intern, soloist

Congregational Verse

PICARDY

Rank on rank the host of heav - en spreads its van-guard
on the way, as the Light of Light de - scend - eth
from the realms of end - less day, that the powers of hell
may van - ish as the dark-ness clears a - way.

Ministry of Music

Mark Hayes/Marvin Gaspard

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Baker Lawrimore organ, Doug Vancil piano

Words of Friendship

Rev. Chris Cherry

†Responsive Psalm 19

Shaun Martin, deacon

Through the wit-ness of cre-a-tion, through the glo-ry
of the Word, you show the way of the king-dom of light,
you show the way to e - ter - nal life!

The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the sky proclaims its maker's handiwork.
One day tells its tale to another,
and one night imparts knowledge to another.

**Although they have no words or language,
and their voices are not heard,
their sound has gone out into all lands,
and their message to the ends of the world,
where God has pitched a tent for the sun.**

It comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the end of it again;
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

**The teaching of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul;
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.
The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart;
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.
The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever;
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.**

Refrain

More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold,
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.
By them also is your servant enlightened,
and in keeping them there is great reward.

**Who can detect one's own offenses?
Cleanse me from my secret faults.**

Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not get dominion over me;
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

**Let the words of my mouth
and the dedication of my heart be acceptable in your sight,
O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.**

Refrain

†Hymn 199

Tell Me the Story of Jesus
(stanzas one and two only)

STORY OF JESUS

Prayers of God's People

Rev. Courtney Willis

†Hymn 715

Lord, You Give the Great Commission
(stanzas one, two, and three only)

ABBOT'S LEIGH

Scripture Lesson

Luke 4.14-21

Rev. Cochran

Sermon

Rev. Sherouse

†Hymn 109

I Cannot Tell
(stanzas one and two only)

LONDONDERRY AIR

Choral Anthem

Christus Paradox
Sanctuary Choir

Alfred V. Fedak

Commission Prayer

The Rev. Buck Cochran
Associate Pastor: Missions and Community

Margaret Crawford

Benediction

Rev. Sherouse

Passing the Peace

Closing Voluntary

Johann Sebastian Bach
Jesus, Priceless Treasure