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Welcome to Worship on the Lord's Day
2nd Sunday after Epiphany
January 15 2023

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

BRINGING GOD'S LIGHT INTO THE CHURCH

RINGING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Joy Bayles

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 40: 1-5)

Leader: I waited patiently for the Lord;
he turned to me and heard my cry.

People: **He lifted me out of the slimy pit,
out of the mud and mire;
he set my feet on a rock
and gave me a firm place to stand.**

Leader: He put a new song in my mouth,
a hymn of praise to our God.

People: **Many will see and fear the Lord
and put their trust in him.**

Leader: Blessed is the one
who trusts in the Lord,
who does not look to the proud,
to those who turn aside to false gods.

People: Many, Lord my God,
are the wonders you have done,
the things you planned for us.

Leader: None can compare with you;
were I to speak and tell of your deeds,
they would be too many to declare.

People: Let us worship God.

*HYMN

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

#464 (Blue)

CALL TO CONFESSION

“The sacrifice God requires is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart he will not despise.” Let us confess our sins before God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (unison)

Holy and merciful God,
In your presence we confess
our failure to be what you created us to be.
You alone know how often we have sinned
in wandering from your ways,
in wasting your gifts,
in forgetting your love.

By your loving mercy
help us to live in your light and abide in your ways
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (from Isaiah 43) unison

**“Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing!
Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?” By God’s mercy, past is past. Our sins are
forgiven.**

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS Gloria Patri #579 (Blue)

SHARING FAITH WITH OUR CHILDREN Pastor Bob Bardin

WE HEAR AND RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

*GOSPEL READING John 1: 29-42 (pew Bible pages 750, 751)

ANTHEM When We Needed A King Arr. Jay Rouse

MEDITATION “Testimony” Pastor Bob Bardin

*HYMN It Is Well With My Soul page 6, 7 (bulletin)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostle’s 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.**

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

*HYMN

Open My Eyes That I May See

324 (Blue)

SENT TO SERVE AS GOD'S PEOPLE

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE Go With Us, Lord #535 (Blue)

Go with us, Lord, and guide the way
through this and every coming day
that in your Spirit strong and true
our lives may be our gift to you.
Amen.

*POSTLUDE

**Please stand as you are able.*

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When Peace like a River

It Is Well with My Soul

1 When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, when
 2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let
 3 He lives: O the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought. My
 4 Lord, has - ten the day when our faith shall be sight, the

sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll, what - ev - er my lot, thou hast
 this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, that Christ hath re - gard - ed my
 sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross and I
 clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trum - pet shall sound and the

taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.
 help - less es - tate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul.
 bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
 Lord shall de - scend; e - ven so it is well with my soul.

Refrain

It is well with my soul;
 It is well with my soul;



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This Week's Activities

Today	11:00 am	Worship
	12:00 pm	Fellowship Luncheon
Tuesday	8:00 am	Walking Club
	10:00 am	Bible Study
	11:00 am	<i>Disciplines for the Inner Life</i> meeting
Wednesday	6:45 am	Men's Group
	5:30 pm	<i>Disciplines for the Inner Life</i> meeting
	6:30 pm	Choir Practice
Thursday	3:45 pm	Chair Yoga
Sunday	11:00 am	Worship
	1:00 pm	Session

The **altar flowers** are given to the glory of God and in memory of Charles Anderson's 75th birthday tomorrow, January 16th, by Margaret Anderson and family.

New Office Hours for 2023. The office will be open Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9 am to 2 pm and Thursdays from 9 am. to 12 pm. Pastor Bob will be working on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Worship Attendance: Jan. 8th-73

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Recent Surgeries or Illnesses

(names listed for 2 weeks)

- Vennie Jordan (mother of Selena Bennett, surgery to repair/replace hardware from previous surgery)

Ongoing Concerns

(names listed for 2 months)

- Shelton Blanton, kidney dialysis
- Eleanor Ballance, (grandmother of Brittany Schroeder, stroke and fall)
- Brenda Schroeder, knee-related issues and preparation for knee surgery
- Gwyn Price (sister in law of Margaret Anderson and Patsy West, hip replacement surgery)
- Sonny Cain's father, (chemotherapy)
- Linda Jennings, (Alice Adam's sister, colon cancer treatment)
- Bill Cox (brother of Lynda Roten, remission of lymphoma)
- Aubrey Blizzard, continuing health issues

Our Christian Sympathy is extended to the families of:

(names listed for 2 months)

- Mary Kelly, Nov. 29

Homebound/Nursing Facilities

- Bobbie Coley
- Vennie Jordan
- Barry Giddings
- Robbie McSwain
- Rudy Hooks

Please call or email the church office with your prayer concern. Church members and their family will be included in the worship bulletin and e-newsletter for the durations listed above. Please let us know as prayers are answered, so we can celebrate with you; or as needs change, so we know how best to pray with and for you. . If you have a confidential concern, please contact Pastor Bob.