February 24, 2019

Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany of Our Lord.

The liturgical color is green, signifying life and growth in the Christian church.

GATHERING

Prelude  “Festal Fanfare” from Fourth Concerto
J. S. Bach
Amy Bender, organist

Lighting of the Candles
Presentation of God’s Holy Word

Please sign and pass the attendance pad that you find at the end of each pew.
If you are joining us for the first time today, please complete the blue sheet.

Welcome & Announcements

* Call to Worship  Rev. Kurt Landerholm, Liturgist
Leader: The work of the Creator is visible.
People: Let us respond with praise.
Leader: The example of Jesus is apparent.
People: Let us respond with obedience.
Leader: The wind of the Spirit is blowing.
People: Let us respond with joy.
Leader: The word of God is calling.
People: Let us worship in spirit and in truth.

* Prayer (unison)

Lord, we come today with a desire to hear You speak to us. In the rush and busyness of life, we slow down to listen. Speak to us that we might hear, and may it be our desire to not just hear, but to do your Word.
Through Jesus Christ. Amen.

* Opening Hymn 64  “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”  NICAEA

Anthem 9:00  “I Believe in a Hill Called Mount Calvary”  W. J. Gaither
Bill Wolfgang, soloist

11:00  “One Church, One Faith, One Lord”  Eugene Butler
Chancel Choir

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Scripture Reading  New Testament pages 843 and 847
2 Timothy 3:16-17; Hebrews 4:12

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon  “Whisper: Hearing God from Scripture”  Rev. Kurt Landerholm

Response to the Word

* Hymn 601  “Thy Word Is a Lamp”  THY WORD

Sharing Joys and Concerns
Morning Prayer

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.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever.
Amen.

Presentation of Our Tithes and Gifts

* Doxology
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THANKSGIVING

* Prayer of Thanksgiving

SENDING FORTH

* Hymn 600
“Wonderful Words of Life” WORDS OF LIFE

* Choral Benediction
Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.

* Postlude
“Toccata in C” J. S. Bach

Altar flowers are provided by the Scott Palmer Family
in loving memory our nephew, Brandon Toki.
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in memory of Robert and Shirley Gockel,
parents, grandparents, and great grandparents.

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