

**Worship Plan for Sunday, January 23, 2022** Third Sunday after Epiphany LBW Holy Communion Setting Two

**PRELUDE**

*Rest in the Lord*

F. Mendelssohn



**Introduction to the day**

God's glory is revealed in the reading of scripture. People stand at attention. People weep. People prostrate themselves in prayer. The unity of the church is another reflection of God's glory. Most gloriously, the promises of God are fulfilled in the person of Jesus Christ. Gather round. Listen up. Glimpse the glory of God.

**GATHERING**

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

**THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation. **Amen.** Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

**We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.**

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.

**Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.**

At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

**By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.**

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.

**Show us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.**

**To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.**

**GATHERING SONG (LBW 559 V. 1, 3, 5) *Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing***



- 1 Oh, for a thou-sand tongues to sing my great re-deem-er's praise,
- 2 My gra-cious Mas-ter and my God, as-sist me to pro-claim,
- 3 The name of Je-sus charms our fears and bids our sor-rows cease,
- 4 He breaks the pow'r of can-celed sin; he sets the pris-'ner free.
- 5 To God all glor-y, praise, and love be now and ev-er giv'n



the glo-ries of my God and king, the tri-umphs of his grace!  
to spread through all the earth a-broad the hon-ors of your name.  
sings mu-sic in the sin-ner's ears, brings life and health and peace.  
His blood can make the foul-est clean; his blood a-vails for me.  
by saints be-low and saints a-bove, the church in earth and heav'n.

**GREETING (LBW P. 78)**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

## **KYRIE (LBW p. 78-79)**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen.**

## **CANTICLE OF PRAISE (LBW p. 79-80)**

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray. *A brief silence is kept before the prayer.* Blessed Lord God, **you have caused the holy scriptures to be written for the nourishment of your people. Grant that we may hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that, comforted by your promises, we may embrace and forever hold fast to the hope of eternal life, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **WORD**

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

**FIRST READING: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10** A reading from Nehemiah.

*The exiles have returned and rebuilt Jerusalem. Now Ezra, the priest, reads the law of Moses to them in the public square. When they hear it, they weep for their sins and for the long years in exile, but Ezra reminds them that "the joy of the LORD is your strength."*

<sup>1</sup>All the people [of Israel] gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel. <sup>2</sup>Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. <sup>3</sup>He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. <sup>5</sup>And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. <sup>6</sup>Then Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground. <sup>8</sup>So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

<sup>9</sup>And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. <sup>10</sup>Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: Psalm 19 (The Psalm is read responsively by verse.)**

Refrain: The teaching of the LORD revives the soul. (*Ps. 19:7*)

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<sup>1</sup>The heavens declare the glory of God,  
and the sky proclaims its <sup>1</sup> maker's handiwork.

<sup>2</sup>**One day tells its tale <sup>1</sup> to another,  
and one night imparts knowledge <sup>1</sup> to another.**

<sup>3</sup>Although they have no <sup>1</sup> words or language,  
and their voices <sup>1</sup> are not heard,

<sup>4</sup>**their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends <sup>1</sup> of the world,  
where God has pitched a tent <sup>1</sup> for the sun.**

<sup>5</sup>It comes forth like a bridegroom out <sup>1</sup> of his chamber;  
it rejoices like a champion to <sup>1</sup> run its course.

<sup>6</sup>**It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of <sup>1</sup> it again;  
nothing is hidden from its <sup>1</sup> burning heat.**

Refrain: **The teaching of the LORD revives the soul.**

<sup>7</sup>The teaching of the LORD is perfect and re- <sup>1</sup> vives the soul;  
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom <sup>1</sup> to the simple.

<sup>8</sup>**The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart;  
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light <sup>1</sup> to the eyes.**

<sup>9</sup>The fear of the LORD is clean and en- <sup>1</sup> dures forever;  
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous <sup>1</sup> altogether.

<sup>10</sup>**More to be desired are they than gold, more than <sup>1</sup> much fine gold,  
sweeter far than honey, than honey <sup>1</sup> in the comb.**

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<sup>11</sup>By them also is your servant enlightened,  
and in keeping them there is <sup>1</sup> great reward.

<sup>12</sup>**Who can detect one's <sup>1</sup> own offenses?  
Cleanse me from my <sup>1</sup> secret faults.**

<sup>13</sup>Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion <sup>1</sup> over me;  
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a <sup>1</sup> great offense.

<sup>14</sup>**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable <sup>1</sup> in your sight,  
O LORD, my strength and <sup>1</sup> my redeemer.**

Refrain: **The teaching of the LORD revives the soul.**

**SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a** A reading from 1 Corinthians.

*The apostle and pastor Paul uses the metaphor of the human body to describe how intimately connected we are in the church. For this struggling congregation in Corinth, Paul delivers a vital message of unity that is a mark of the church today.*

<sup>12</sup>For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. <sup>13</sup>For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

<sup>14</sup>Indeed, the body does not consist of <sup>14</sup> member but of many. <sup>15</sup>If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. <sup>16</sup>And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body.

<sup>17</sup>If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? <sup>18</sup>But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. <sup>19</sup>If all

were a single member, where would the body be? <sup>20</sup>As it is, there are many members, yet one body. <sup>21</sup>The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” <sup>22</sup>On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, <sup>23</sup>and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; <sup>24</sup>whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, <sup>25</sup>that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. <sup>26</sup>If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

<sup>27</sup>Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. <sup>28</sup>And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. <sup>29</sup>Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? <sup>30</sup>Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? <sup>31a</sup>But strive for the greater gifts.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### **WE RISE TO GREET THE GOSPEL (LBW 9. 83)**

*Alleluia.* The Spirit of the Lord has anointed me to bring good news <sup>l</sup> to the poor, \* and to proclaim release <sup>l</sup> to the captives. *Alleluia. (Luke 4:18)*

**Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life! Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL: Luke 4:14-21** The holy gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Near the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, he visits his hometown of Nazareth. In the words of Isaiah, he states and claims his identity, purpose, and mission.*

<sup>14</sup>Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. <sup>15</sup>He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. <sup>16</sup>When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, <sup>17</sup>and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: <sup>18</sup>“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, <sup>19</sup>to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.” <sup>20</sup>And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. <sup>21</sup>Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON** *Silence for reflection follows the sermon.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY (LBW 87 V. 1 AND 2)** *Hail to the Lord's Anointed*

1 Hail to the Lord's a - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er Son!  
 2 He comes with res - cue speed - y to those who suf - fer wrong,  
 3 He shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit - ful earth;  
 4 Kings shall fall down be - fore him, and gold and in - cense bring;

Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, his reign on earth be - gun!  
 to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong;  
 and love, joy, hope, like flow - ers, spring in his path to birth,  
 all na - tions shall a - dore him, his praise all peo - ple sing.

He comes to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive free,  
 to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to light,  
 Be - fore him on the moun - tains shall peace, the her - ald, go;  
 To him shall prayer un - ceas - ing and dai - ly vows as - cend;

to take a - way trans - gres - sion and rule in eq - ui - ty,  
 whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, were pre - cious in his sight.  
 and righ - teous - ness in foun - tains from hill to val - ley flow,  
 his king - dom still in - creas - ing, a king - dom with - out end.

## APOSTLES' CREED (LBW p. 85)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.\* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

## Upcoming Commemorations

### Conversion of Paul

**Tuesday, January 25, 2022**

The week of prayer begun by the remembrance of Peter's confession now comes to an end as we recall the pivotal moment in the life of the other pillar of the early church, the apostle Paul. His encounter with the risen Christ turned him from persecutor of the followers of Christ to one of their leaders.

### Timothy, Titus, and Silas, missionaries

**Wednesday, January 26, 2022**

These three early Christian men were missionary companions of the apostle Paul. Timothy became bishop of Ephesus, Titus bishop of Crete, and Silas was imprisoned with Paul at Philippi until they were delivered by an earthquake.

### Lydia, Dorcas, and Phoebe, witnesses to the faith

**Thursday, January 27, 2022**

Women as well as men were important Christian leaders from the beginning, as demonstrated by these coworkers of the apostle Paul. Lydia, a seller of purple goods, lent her home for a church; Dorcas was known for charitable works; and Phoebe was a deacon in the church at Cenchræ.

### Thomas Aquinas, teacher, died 1274

**Friday, January 28, 2022**

One of the most brilliant and creative theologians in the church's history, Aquinas worked to bring together scripture and the philosophy of Aristotle. A member of the Order of Preachers (Dominicans), Aquinas was also a hymnwriter.

## PRAYER LIST

*Beth Allen, Marie Begnaud, Bill Bartleson, Eileen Bartleson, Nicholas Baud, Bert Brown, Renee Bryant, The Family of John Byrne III, Robert Carthew, The Christine Family, We Rejoice for the birth of Elaina Rose Condon, Granddaughter of Larry and Pat Baud, Shawnie Copes, Donna Cuevas, Phyllis Cullen, Diane Cummings, Rosemarie Daffin, Jim DeClerq, The Family of Austin Dobleman, Jerry Duffy, JoAnn Eleanor, The Family of Michael Epstein, Victoria Flynn, The Family of Chuck Forsman, Louis Giannobile, Gavin Gigliotti, Mark Gismondi, Pat Gismondi, Wilma Gismondi, Chuck Gordon, Doris Gordon, Pastor Andy, Randi Gordon, The Family of Ann Gray, Don Halterman, Marianne Halterman, Leaha Harris, Jim Heise, Catherine Hewitt, George Hobb, The family of Ruth Hurlburt, Joan Jakubiak, Marilyn Kaiser, Pat Kapus, John Kleinstuber, The Lail Family, Troy Lail, Jr., Ella Lake, Lake's Granddaughter, Kristin Lamelas, Charlotte Langon, Sheila Lapham, Mark Leipert, The family of Norma Leipert, Joseph Lonia, Peter Lynskey, Jeff Lyons, Jessie MacGregor, Grant MacWilliam, Victoria McKelligott, Bill Mitchell, Harry Mirra, Jami Munyan, The Family of Florence Olsen, Joseph Ostrowski, Janet Ostrowski, Abby Owens, Cathy Patrick, Peggy Peake, Kathi Perlove, Fay Stafford Rambo, and all who mourn the loss of Jim Rambo, Harry Rees, Lindsey Reese, Mark Reidenauer, Janet Rust, Marie Sahns, Ken Silver, Linda Smith, Marley Smith, Dorothy Stagg, Mark Stagg, Ralph Stein, Georgia Swain, Amanda Swanger, Rejoice for the Grandchild born into the Theriault Family, Gretchen Turner, Larry Wall, Betty Warner, James West, Lori Wotypka*

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*The prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.*

The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made.

*A brief silence.*

You reveal yourself to us in the reading of scripture. Fulfill your word through the faithful witness of your church. Send us out to bring your liberating good news to all people. God of grace, **hear our prayer.** All creation proclaims your handiwork. Teach us to love the intricate and beautiful bodies that you have created. Bless tiny insects, enormous whales, and every creature in between. Sustain species at risk of extinction. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

You desire that there be no dissension among us. Where we are divided in our society, nation, or world, come quickly to reunite us into one body. Ease conflict, dispel violence, and bring an end to war. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Anoint with your Spirit all who seek your favor. Grant provision and justice for people living in poverty, people living with disability, those living with pain, or those living under oppression (*especially*). God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

Build up the body of Christ in this place. Bless the variety of ministries in this congregation (*especially*). Empower us to freely welcome and deeply value each person who enters into worship and ministry among us. God of grace, **hear our prayer.** *Here other intercessions may be offered.*

In thanksgiving we lift before you the saints for whom the promise of salvation has now been fulfilled. Tend to those who mourn (*especially*). Bring us together in your everlasting glory. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

**PEACE (LBW P. 86)** The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

**MEAL** God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

**OFFERTORY AND VERSE (LBW P. 86)**

*Ave Verum*

W. Mozart

**Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.**

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light. Amen.

**DIALOGUE (LBW p. 88)**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**PREFACE AND SANCTUS (LBW p. 88-89)**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

**THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE (LBW p.89)**

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

**Do this for the remembrance of me.**

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

**Do this for the remembrance of me.**

**LORD'S PRAYER (LBW P. 91)** Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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 and ever. Amen.**

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION** Come to God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all.

**COMMUNION SONG (LBW p. 92)**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.**

## COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.**

## POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE (LBW P. 92-93)

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen**

**Lord, now you let your servant go in peace; your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people: A light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Israel. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We give you thanks, gracious God, **for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**SENDING** God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

## SENDING OF COMMUNION

Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are *sick, homebound, and imprisoned*. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

## BLESSING

God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, (+) bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever. **Amen.**

## SENDING SONG (WOV 723 V. 1, 2, 4) *The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve (CHESTERFIELD)*



1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in  
2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the  
3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scat - ter  
4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel



Je - sus' name to bring glad tid - ings  
bur - dened free; where hope is dim, to  
joy like seed and, all our days, to  
to pro - claim. God's Spir - it has em -



to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.  
share a dream and help the blind to see.  
cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.  
pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The eternal candle for January is sponsored by the Kelleher family.

- If you have changes (additions or deletions) to the prayer list, please fill out a change form in the narthex or contact the church office by phone or email.
- The Annual Congregational meeting is today, Sunday, January 23, 2022 after the 10:30 service. All voting members are encouraged to attend. A Zoom link will be provided for those who are unable to attend in person. The link was sent on Friday..
- Annual financial statements will be available at the annual meeting. If you need to receive yours by mail, please contact the church office.
- The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive at Holy Nativity on Tuesday, March 1 from 2 pm to 7 pm. Call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: holy nativity wenonah to schedule an appointment.
- Sunday School will be LIVE and church school resources are also available on our website.
- A reminder that there is still time to return your commitment cards for 2022. Cards can be placed in the offering plate, mailed to the church or emailed to the financial secretary (Caryl Carthew) at carthew99@comcast.net.
- Offering envelopes for 2022 are available in the narthex. If you cannot pick them up at the church, please contact the church office to make arrangements for someone to deliver them.
- At this time, the food pantry is asking for canned goods and jellies/jams, and frozen lasagna.
- Due to COVID concerns Choir Rehearsal will not be resuming until further notice. We do however welcome singers and musicians from high school age and up and all levels of ability to prepare solos; Make a joyful noise unto the Lord!

## **DISMISSAL**

Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news. **Thanks be to God.**

## **POSTLUDE**

*Sortie*

N. Lemmens

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### Mask Policy

Due to the increased number of Covid-19 cases recently, we are asking that everyone, regardless of vaccination status, wear a mask when entering, leaving, or moving about in the church building. You may remove the mask while seated and at least six feet away from anyone outside your household. While we recognize that there are many different views on mask wearing, we appreciate your respect and consideration of everyone's viewpoint and hope that this policy will allow everyone to feel safe attending worship services.

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