

Welcome to Community Presbyterian Church!

January 24, 2021

Third Sunday after Epiphany

10:00 a.m.

Welcome to this Sacred Time and Holy Place of Worship.

Quote for Meditation: *“Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us.”* - Psalm 62:8 NRSV

GREETING and PASSING OF THE PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Chris Scrivens

PRELUDE:

“Jesus Paid It All”

Mark Hayes

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Loving God,
through your Son you have called us to repent of our sin,
to believe the good news,
and to celebrate the coming of your kingdom.

**All: Like Christ’s first apostles,
may we hear his call to discipleship,
and, forsaking old ways,
proclaim the gospel of new life to a broken world;
through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Opening Hymn: #410 “God is Calling through the Whisper”

Cantor Matt Petrozelli

**God is calling through the whisper of the Spirit’s deepest sighs,
through the thrill of sudden beauties that can catch us by surprise.
Flash of lightning, crash of thunder; hush of stillness, rush of wonder:
God is calling—can you hear? God is calling – can you hear?**

**God is calling through the voices of our neighbors’ urgent prayers,
through their longing for redemption and for rescue from despair.
Place of hurt or face of needing; strident cry or silent pleading:
God is calling—can you hear? God is calling—can you hear?**

**God is calling through the music of sublime and human arts,
through the hymns of earth and angels, and the carols of our hearts.
Lift of joy and gift of singing; days and nights our praises bringing:
God is calling—and we hear! God is calling—and we hear!**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Gracious God, we name You as Emmanuel – ever-present, God with us. And yet we fail to recognize You in our daily lives: Sometimes shame clenches tightly around our hearts, and we hide our true feelings. Sometimes fear makes us small, and we miss the chance to give courageously. Sometimes doubt invades our hopefulness, and we assume we are stuck. We seek Your mercy in this New Year. Set us free from a past we cannot change. Open us to a future in which we can be changed. Grant us grace to grow more and more in Your image and likeness, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Sung response: "Gloria Patri" Cantor Matt Petrozelli

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Prophets: Jonah 3:1-5, 10
Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

Response:

One: This is the Word of God.
All: *Thanks be to God!*

SERMON: "When Should I . . .?"

MUSICAL INTERLUDE: "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" Mark Hayes

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CALL FOR THE OFFERING - (*in-person worshippers are welcome to leave offerings
in the plate by the door on your way out.*)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

PASTORAL PRAYER and THE LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Chris Scrivens

*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.*

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

BENEDICTION Rev. Chris Scrivens

POSTLUDE: "Reflection" Mark Hayes

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Participating in today's Worship and Fellowship are . . .

Pastor: The Reverend Christopher W. Scrivens
Director of Family Ministries: Deacon Melissa Ash
Music Director: Matt Petrozelli
Organist: Mary Elizabeth Rawley
Ushers/Greeters: Bill Jardine and Christy Shepard

Welcome to our virtual Worship Service.

Scripture readings for next Sunday, January 31: Deuteronomy 18:15-20, 10 *and* Psalm 111; 1 Corinthians 8:1-13; Mark 1:21-28.



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