

January 29, 2012 SERVICE OF WORSHIP

11:00 am

4th Sunday After the Epiphany

Liturgical Color: Green

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,
till all the world adore his sacred name.*

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mary Lynn Polk, Lay Leader

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

Julia Baker

PRELUDE

We, Thy People Praise Thee

setting by Charles Callahan

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Patricia Lindell

Leader: God anointed Jesus to console the afflicted.

People: Come, let us worship Christ our Comforter!

Leader: God anointed Jesus to emancipate the enslaved.

People: Come, let us worship Christ our Liberator!

Leader: God anointed Jesus to bind up the wounded.

People: Come, let us worship Christ our Healer!

Leader: God anointed Jesus to deliver the troubled.

People: Come, let us worship Christ our Savior.

***HYMN NO. 127**

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Cwm Rhondda

***INVOCATION**

The Reverend Terry C. Martin

**O gracious and holy God,
give us diligence to seek you,
wisdom to perceive you,
and patience to wait for you.**

**Grant us, O God,
a mind to meditate on you,
eyes to behold you,
ears to listen for your Word,
a heart to love you,
and a life to proclaim you,
through the power of the spirit
of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH FROM ROMANS #887**

Leader: Who shall separate us from the love of Christ: Shall tribulation or distress, or persecution or famine, or nakedness or peril or sword?

People: No! In all things we are more than conquerors through the One who loved us. We are sure that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Thanks be to God! Amen.

Leader: This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved.

People: Christ died for our sins, was buried, was raised on the third day, and appeared first to the women, then to Peter and the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe Jesus is the Christ, the Anointed One of God, the firstborn of all creation, the firstborn from the dead, in whom all things hold together, in whom the fullness of God was pleased to dwell by the power of the Spirit. Christ is the head of the body, the church, and by the blood of the cross reconciles all things to God. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI NO. 70**

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.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Deuteronomy 18:15-20 Page 218 (OT) in pew Bibles

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

†*GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 1:21-28

Page 42 (NT) in pew Bibles

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

God Be in My Head
Chancel Choir

Arlene R. Clark

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

The Reverend Terry C. Martin

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling

arr. David Cherwien

***DOXOLOGY NO. 94**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Last Uns Erfreuen

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!

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

The Reverend Terry C. Martin

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

As the children come to the front of the Sanctuary for a special message, they are invited to bring change to help in Heifer International. If any adults want to contribute, please pass your money to a child as they come forward. Following Children's Time, 3-year-olds through Kindergarteners may leave the Sanctuary for Extended Session.

***HYMN NO. 176**

Majesty, Worship His Majesty

Majesty

SERMON

"It's About Trust"

The Reverend Terry C. Martin

*BENEDICTION

Leader: God the sender,

People: send us.

Leader: God the Sent,

People: come with us.

Leader: God the Strengtheners of those who go,

People: empower us that we may go with you and find those who will call you Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

*BENEDICTION REPONSE NO. 666

Shalom to You

Shalom

Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends. May God's full mercies bless you, my friends. In all your living and through your loving, Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.

*POSTLUDE

†Sermon Text

**Please stand if you are able*

Nursery Provided

Music Notes

The text for today's anthem comes from the *Sarum Primer*, a collection of prayers and worship resources developed in Salisbury, England, during the 13th century. It was used throughout England, Scotland, Wales, and Ireland, as well as some parts of continental Europe, until the Reformation. It continues to be valued today because of its beautiful expressions of faith and devotion. Since this prayer was written down in the 13th century, it has been used by countless people. These ancient words can help us gain a sense of the entire Christian community throughout space and time and reflect on the timeless dimensions of the people of God. Consider using this prayer as part of your devotions this week.

God Be in My Head

Arlen R. Clark

God be in my head and in my understanding.

God be in my eyes and in my looking.

God be in my mouth and in my speaking.

God be in my heart and in my thinking.

God be at mine end and at my departing.