

# THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY JANUARY 16, 2022

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Prelude Janice Hedberg-Boyce, Church Organist

Welcome and Greeting in Jesus' Name The Rev. Dr. Ivan E. Greuter

\*Opening Song #48 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" ST. DENIO

## \*Call to Worship

Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

**Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgments are like the great deep; you save humans and animals alike, O Lord.**

How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

**All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.**

They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

**For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.**

O continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your salvation to the upright of heart!

**Let the words of our mouths and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable to you, O Lord, our rock and our redeemer.**

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Song of Faith #72 "Great Is Their Faithfulness" CHISHOLM

Opening Prayer The Rev. Dr. Ivan E. Greuter

Songs of Praise WORSHIP TEAM

WE HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD  
Scripture Reader: Fran Seymour-Hunter

The First Reading Isaiah 62:1-5

The Second Reading 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

\*The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ John 2:1-11

\*Responsorial "Make Us One" WORSHIP TEAM

Children's Sermon (Kids 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade and Younger can walk to Children's Church)

**Announcements & Prayers of the Community: 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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever.

**Presentation of Tithes, Gifts, and Donations** - A collection plate is available in the front of the sanctuary, ushers will collect the offering, or you can give online.

## Offertory Special

The Message "Water into Wine: The Glory of the Lord Revealed Among Us"  
The Reverend Doctor Ivan E. Greuter, Senior Minister

## RESPONDING TO THE HOLY SPIRIT IN FAITH & SERVICE

\*Invitation to Faith and Fellowship

\*Closing Hymn "Beautiful Savior" WORSHIP TEAM

\*Spoken Benediction The Rev. Dr. Ivan E. Greuter

\*Postlude Janice Hedberg-Boyce, Church Organist

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## HOW TO BECOME A FULLY DEVOTED FOLLOWER OF JESUS

**GOOD NEWS!** God loves you and wants to rescue all people from the consequences of evil. The Bible teaches the way to become a fully devoted follower of Jesus Christ:

1. **ADMIT** – Admit to God you have done wrong things (sinned) which have hurt God and others. Apologize to God and turn away from harmful behavior and start doing good things (See Romans 3:23; Romans 6:23; 1 John 1:9; Acts 3:19).
2. **BELIEVE JESUS CHRIST DIED FOR YOU AND GOD HAS RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD** – Accept and trust that Jesus is God's one and only Son who died on the cross in your place and give God the credit for raising Jesus from the dead (See Romans 5:8; Acts 4:12; Acts 16:31a; John 3:16; 1 Peter 3:18; John 14:6).
3. **CONFESS JESUS CHRIST AS YOUR LORD** – Make a religious commitment to be a fully devoted follower of Jesus by trusting Him to be your Rescuer and Redeemer (Savior) and Ultimate Leader (Lord). (See Romans 10:9 and 10; Romans 10:13; Matthew 16:24; Luke 9:23)
4. **DEDICATE YOUR LIFE TO THE JESUS WAY** - Tell your family and friends about your new trust in Jesus Christ by coming to the front of the Sanctuary at the end of a worship service to publicly share your decision to be a follower of Jesus (Christian).

**HOW TO JOIN THIS CHRISTIAN CHURCH - COME FORWARD** – Any person professing faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, and accepting the Baptist principles, practices, and the covenant of this church, may join this Christian church. Persons interested in affiliating should speak with the Pastor, Moderator, or come forward at a meeting of the congregation. A person may join by Believer's Baptism, Letter of Transfer from a previous Christian church with prior baptism, or a Satisfactory Statement of Christian Faith.



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