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is to be a city-center church
compelled by Christ's love
to make disciples in our homes, city, and the world.*

Worship Service | JANUARY 3, 2021
The Epiphany of Our Lord

PREPARING HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP
"As With Gladness Men of Old" arr. John Leavit

THE PRAISE OF GOD'S PEOPLE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 95:1-5

Leader: Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

People: Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!

Leader: For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

People: In His hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are His also. The sea is His, for He made it, and His hands formed the dry land.

Leader: Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

HYMNS OF PRAISE

****"Great Are You Lord"**
****"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"**
"In Christ Alone"

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism, Q & A 1

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

All: That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—

to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.

He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

Because I belong to Him,

Christ, by His Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty and merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against You and one another in both our actions and our inactions.

We recognize that in Jesus Christ our light has come, yet often we choose to walk in shadows and ignore the light.

Gracious God, forgive our sins and remove from us the veil of darkness that shrouds our lives.

Illumined by Your Word and sacrament, may we rise to the radiance of Christ's glory. Amen.

HYMN OF ASSURANCE

"All Glory Be to Christ"

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S PEOPLE

THE WORD FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

SERMON

"An Honest and Good Heart"

Luke 8:4-15

Dr. Tim Kirk

HYMN OF RESPONSE

“Be Thou My Vision”

THE SENDING OF GOD’S PEOPLE

BENEDICTION

Hosea 10:12

Leader: Sow for yourselves righteousness; reap steadfast love; break up your fallow ground, for it is the time to seek the LORD, that He may come and rain righteousness upon you.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen!

****9:00 Service only**

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The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mrs. Olan Mills Sr, Mr. & Mrs. Charles E. Malone, and Mr. Charles G. Mills by Mrs. Charles G. Mills and family.

Flowers from today’s display will be arranged by the flower committee and delivered by volunteers to our homebound and hospitalized on Monday, January 4th.

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