

2nd SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

16 January 2022

8:30 and 10:00 a.m.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Silent Reflection: “The story of Jesus becomes salvifically meaningful as the church is formed by the particular identity of Jesus Christ, rather than as Jesus is correlated in meaningful ways with contemporary existence. In short, Jesus’ meaningfulness depends not on his relevance for us, but on our faithfulness to him, on our becoming a faithful community shaped by his identity.”

- Charles L. Campbell, *Preaching Jesus: New Directions for Homiletics in Hans Frei’s Postliberal Theology* (Grand Rapids, MI: William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 1997), 61.

Words of Welcome - Welcome, dear friends. Because nothing can “separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord” (Romans 8:39), we have gathered to respond in worship and praise. Please fill out the attendance card in your bulletin and drop them in the offering plates at the end of the service. Thank you!

WE GATHER AROUND GOD’S WORD

Introit: (10:00) *Entrance Hymn* Archpriest Dmitri Razumovsky (Russia, 1818-1898)
Come, let us worship and bow down before God. Save us, O Son of God,
Who art wondrous in the Saints, who sing unto Thee: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
(text from the liturgy of the Orthodox Church)

Call to Worship: (From Psalm 51)

Have mercy upon me, O God, according to your steadfast love.

According to your abundant mercy, blot out my transgressions.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.

Restore me to the joy of your salvation, and sustain me with a willing spirit.

Let us worship God.

Prayer of Adoration

Opening Hymn: No. 610

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Azmon

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession:

O Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us as we make our confession. We grow lax in our discipline, and we disobey the Christ. Our faith becomes weak when put to the test. Our courage vanishes in the face of temptation. Our joints stiffen when we are called upon to act. We profess loyalty, while our bodies deny commitment. Have mercy upon us, O God, and grant us forgiveness in Jesus’ name. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon:

Friends, believe the good news of the gospels.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Hymn to the Glory of God:

Kevin Dill (2015)



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and to the Ho - ly Spi - rit, as it was in the be -
gin-ning, is now, and shall be for - ev - er, A - men, A - men!

GOD'S WORD IS SPOKEN TO US

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson: I Samuel 3:1-10

Pew Bible p. 306-307

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message for Young Disciples

Hymn: (8:30) No. 695 Change My Heart, O God

Change My Heart

Change my heart, O God; make it ever true.

Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.

You are the Potter; I am the clay.

Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.

Change my heart, O God; make it ever true.

Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.

Choral Anthem: (10:00) *Venite Exultemus*

Kevin Dill (2021)

O come, let us sing to the Lord: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving:

let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise.

For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all Gods:

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 hand formed the dry land.

O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord, our maker.

For he is our God: and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

Glory be to the Father...

(Psalm 95:1-7)

Gospel Lesson: John 1:43-51

Pew Bible p. 112-113

Sermon:

FOLLOW ME

The Rev. Dr. Brian K. Jensen

GOD MOVES US TO RESPOND

The Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

Presbyterian Hymnal p. 35

*I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead,
and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.*

Prayers of the People

Joys and Concerns

When the minister prays, "Lord, we lift these joys to you,"
the congregation responds, "**Thanks be to God.**"

When the minister prays, "Lord, we lift these concerns to you,"
the congregation responds, "**Lord hear our prayer.**"

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Presbyterian Hymnal p. 35

*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.*

GOD SENDS US FORTH TO SERVE

Hymn of Commitment: No. 726

Will You Come and Follow Me

Kelvingrove

Charge and Benediction

Postlude: (10:00) *Allein Gott in der Höh Sei Ehr (To God Alone on High be Glory)*

attrib. to Nicolaus Vetter (Germany, 1666-1734)

The Service is Ended, Go in Peace.