

Order of worship
Second Sunday after the Epiphany
January 20, 2019 10:00am

MORNING MEDITATION *(Please be seated as you enter the Sanctuary and be in silent prayer.)*
"Between what is said and not meant, and what is meant and not said, most of love is lost"
Khalil Gibran

PRELUDE

And the light shall be brought forward.

WORDS OF WELCOME

Alexis Morrey

Art Cooper

*****CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: As we begin worship as a sacred community of faith...

People: Let us welcome and honor all who enter - for we are all children of one God.

Leader: As we see those in need, alone or hungry...

People: Let us welcome the stranger in love and sharing

Leader: As we close the doors and leave the church...

People: Let us remember that God lives within us and among us.

Art Cooper

*****OPENING HYMN: "We Would See Jesus"**

UMH # 256

INVOCATION

Leader: Loving shepherd, you know our names and you care for us. When we face darkness and death...

People: Walk beside us.

Leader: When we hunger for your love...

People: Fill us with your presence.

Leader: When we are fearful...

People: Feed us at your table.

ALL: May we dwell in the house of goodness and mercy, all the days of our lives. Amen.

Art Cooper

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ALL: Oh Holy one of many names, we humbly come to you asking for forgiveness. We know that we are your children, created in your image, and yet sometimes we veer off course. It is so easy in today's world to get angry at those around us who are bigoted, disrespectful, and just downright nasty. It is sometimes easy to get so hung-up in our own stuff, that we pass those in need without even seeing them. Forgive us, oh God of love and mercy, of our trespasses and help us forgive those who trespass against us. Bless us, understanding our weaknesses with your unconditional love. We ask this in Christ's name. Amen.

oe DeGrande

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: In our community of faith, we confess our sins with the assurance that God promises to forgive us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

Joe DeGrande

Leader: And the People said: **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

*****PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST
CHILDREN'S TIME**

Beth Ann Phillips and Children

Psalter Reading: Psalm 36 (Red Hymnal, pg. 771)

Art Cooper

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Pastoral Prayers

Lord's Prayer

*****Response "Glory Be to the Father"**

"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"

Joe DeGrande

SCRIPTURE READING/FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 62:1-5

(Chair Bible OT pg. 692)

Art Cooper

*****HYMN OF PREPARATION: "Blessed Assurance"**

UMH # 369

SCRIPTURE READING/SECOND LESSON: John 2:1-11

(Chair Bible NT pg. 91)

Joe DeGrande

SERMON: "What Sign?"

Joe DeGrande

Ministry of Giving

*****Doxology**

*"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 Dedication

*****CLOSING HYMN: "Wonderful Words of Life" (Vs. 1-5)**

UMH # 600

(Please be seated following singing of this hymn)

*****BENEDICTION**

Leader: May we go forth knowing that within each of us is the image in which we were created.

People: Let us honor that image in others welcoming the stranger and loving our neighbors as ourselves.

Leader: Let us proclaim through all we do, His glory. The grace of God be with you always - in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People: And with you also.

And Everyone Said: AMEN.

POSTLUDE

And the light shall be carried out into the world

Alexis Morrey

***indicates to stand if able

The Altar Flowers this morning are given by Nuttelman's Florist.

Attendance for Sunday, January 13th was: 27 Adults and 4 Children

Meetings for Week of January 20th

Sunday, January 20th - Morning Worship with Guest Joe DeGrande - 10:00am

Pastor David is on vacation during this week.

Monday, January 21st - Cot Shelter Meal

Wednesday, January 23rd - Office Closed

Meetings for Week of January 27th

Sunday, January 27th - Morning Worship 10:00am

Monday, January 28th - Mission Committee Meeting 3:30pm

Monday, January 28th - Finance/Trustee Meeting 6:30pm

Wednesday, January 30th - Office Hours 9am - 1pm

Wednesday, January 30th - Church Council Meeting 6:30pm

**A new Bible Study Class will begin on Sunday February 3rd.

**Cot Shelter Meal is tomorrow, January 21st. If you can help prepare, serve or clean-up, the sign up is on the library table.

**Committee Chairpersons, please submit your Church Council Report to the office by Sunday, January 27th - so that Copies may be made. Also any agenda items should be submitted by Sunday, the 27th.

**Again, The Flower Chart for 2019 is on the bulletin board as you enter the library for those wishing to sign up.

**Also, the sign-up for snacks/goodies for Coffee Hour following worship if on the table in the library. If you partake, please consider contributing a food item once in awhile.

**Last Call: Trustees have a piano in good condition (needs tuning) and an antique pump organ for the taking. If interested, see Pam

**In Rev. David's absence this week, please contact Joe at (1-413-237-6823) for pastoral needs.

**There are two boxes on Annual Giving Envelopes on the Usher's Table, if one is yours, please take it. Thanks

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"Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors"

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Worship Service 10:00am



Rev. David F. Hurst, Pastor

Music Director, Pam Kukucka

"Our mission is to become disciples of Christ and to fulfill God's will through spiritual growth, education, worship and fellowship. We express our faith through service to others."

We welcome all to join us in this our journey."

