

January 31, 2021 11:00 a.m.

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

PRELUDE



M. Burkhardt

F. Schubert

# **GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**

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## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

## \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Variations on PUER NOBIS

#507 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God EIN' FESTE BURG

## **\*INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER**

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

The world seems to press in on us some days, O God, and it feels like a scary place. So much could go wrong and we could get hurt. And we feel afraid. We confess that we lose focus on your promise that you will be with us always, and that your power is sufficient to sustain us. Forgive us for losing sight of you and your grace in the middle of our uncertainty. Forgive us and remind us again of your presence and the confidence that comes from full trust in you and your provision. Walk with us by your Spirit and give us courage for each challenge that life throws at us. We choose to rest in the love and the peace of your forgiveness. (Silence for personal confession and reflection)

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

# \*GLORIA PATRI

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.

# FIRST TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 41 Response to the reading: **"Thanks be to God"** 

ANTHEM

O God of Mercy

S. Lole

R. Goodson

**RESPONSIVE READING** (adapted from Psalm 41) One: Happy are those who are concerned for the poor; Many: The Lord will help them when they are in trouble. One: The Lord will protect them and preserve their lives; Many: The Lord will make them happy in the land. One: He will not abandon them to the power of their enemies; Many: The Lord will help them when they are sick and will restore them to health. One: I said, "I have sinned against you, Lord; be merciful to me and heal me." Many: Be merciful to me, Lord, and restore my health, and I will know that you are pleased with me. One: You will help me, because I do what is right; you will keep me in your presence forever. All: Praise the Lord, the God of Israel! Praise him now and forever! Amen! Amen! **\*HYMN OF PRAISE** #93 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness NETTLETON CHILDREN'S BLESSING PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE **\*HYMN OF MEDITATION** #244 O Love, How Deep, How Broad PUER NOBIS SECOND TESTAMENT READING Mark 1:21-28 Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God" SERMON "Amazing Authority!" Rev. Dr. Rvan Sato **CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS** Offertory Prelude on "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" C. Callahan \*Doxology Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen. \*Prayer of Gratitude **\*HYMN FOR THE JOURNEY** #506 I Want Jesus to Walk with Me WALK WITH ME **\*THE BLESSING OF THE COMMUNITY** 

**Leader:** May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you. **People: And also with you.** 

## \*Sung Benediction

Irish Blessing

arr. B. Chilcott

## \*The Sending of the Community

#### \*Congregational Amen

The service of the church into the world - - begins again this week

#### \***POSTLUDE** Partita on EIN' FESTE BURG

A. Carter

\*Please stand, as you are able

We are grateful for those who serve with us today: Worship Leadership: Writing - Ken Bellous; Music in Worship - Adrienne Sitko; Prayers of the People - Rose Merke Video & Sound Technician - Evan Adnams

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