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January 30, 2022

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

**REFLECTION**

*...the understanding of truth is that it is revealed vertically from God to us in the Word. Recognizing this we can appreciate more what God's word looks like to other upturned faces. ~ Rev. Dr. M. Craig Barnes*

**PRELUDE**

*Overture & Bourrée*

G. F. Handel, arr. Dennis Janzer

**WORDS OF WELCOME**

**CALL TO WORSHIP & OPENING PRAYER**

We are baptized with one baptism and seek to be obedient to one Lord.

**We are one people united - despite any noticeable differences - by our faith in you, Lord Jesus.**

We are one people united by your love and mercy to stand against anything that would try to tear us apart.

**We are one people united in joy and in sorrow, in strength and in weakness. Receive our praise.**

**\*\*HYMN No. 317**

*In Christ There Is No East or West*

MCKEE

In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north  
But one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.

In Christ shall true hearts everywhere their high communion find;  
His service is the golden cord close binding humankind.

Join hands, disciples of the faith, whate'er your race may be.  
All children of the living God are surely kin to me.

In Christ now meet both east and west; in him meet south and north.  
All Christly souls are one in him throughout the whole wide earth.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*In Unison*)

**O God of peace, we have built up walls to protect us from perceived enemies, but those walls can also shut us off from receiving your love. Forgive us. Break down those walls. Help us to see that the way to your heart is through the reconciliation of our hearts with our enemies. Bless them and us that we may come to grow in love for each other and for you, Lord Jesus. Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Scripture says that if we claim to be sinless, we deceive ourselves. But if we are honest and confess our sins, we can trust the grace of God in Jesus Christ.

**We trust the promise in scripture. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Hallelujah.**

**\*\*HYMN No. 645, St. 1**

*Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

MIT FREUDEN ZART

Sing praise to God who reigns above,  
The God of all creation,  
The God of power, the God of love,  
The God of our salvation.  
With healing balm my soul is filled,  
And every faithless murmur stilled:  
To God all praise and glory!

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

*Children in kindergarten – 7<sup>th</sup> grade may exit the sanctuary for Sunday School*

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

*I Kings 18:36-40*

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

*Above the Stars*

K. Lee Scott

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON**

*Acts 10:27 - 36*

**SERMON**

*Carmel and Caesarea?*

Rev. William Schram

**\*\*HYMN No. 319**

*Shout to the North*

SMITH

Men of faith, rise up and sing of the great and glorious King.  
You are strong when you feel weak; in your brokenness, complete.  
Shout to the north and the south; sing to the east and the west.  
Jesus is Savior to all, Lord of heaven and earth.

Rise up, women of the truth. Stand and sing to broken hearts  
Who can know the healing power of our awesome King of love.  
Shout to the north and the south; sing to the east and the west.  
Jesus is Savior to all, Lord of heaven and earth.

We've been through fire; we've been through rain;  
We've been refined by the power of your name.  
We've fallen deeper in love with you.  
You've burned this truth on our lips.

Rise up, church, with broken wings; fill this place with songs again  
Of our God who reigns on high; by God's grace again we'll fly.  
Shout to the north and the south; sing to the east and the west.  
Jesus is Savior to all, Lord of heaven and earth.

## **JOYS & CONCERNS**

### **PRAYER & THE 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 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.**

**\*\*HYMN No. 541, St. 1**

*God Be with You Till We Meet Again*

RANDOLPH

God be with you till we meet again;  
Loving counsels guide, uphold you,  
With a shepherd's care enfold you:  
God be with you till we meet again.

### **\*\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*Minuet (Finale)*

G. F. Handel, arr. Dennis Janzer

**\*\*Those who are able may stand**

## **WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS**

Rev. William Schram

Rev. Barbara Piercy

Susan Jones & Noel Piercy

Micki Hardenberg, Cantor

Chancel Choir

Ray Liptak & Rob Thiemann, AV Engineers