MORNING WORSHIP

January 26, 2025

Half past Ten O' Clock

Third Sunday after Epiphany

When the organ begins, please prepare for worship through silent prayer and meditation. Following the service, greet one another with joy and affection!

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

TIME OF MEDITATION AND REFLECTION

+WELCOME AND NOTICES

PRELUDE Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart arr. David Lowe

CHORAL INTROIT "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" KINGSFOLD

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

People: The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.
Leader: The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.
People: The Lord watches over the strangers; He upholds the orphan and the widow,

but the way of the wicked He brings to ruin.

All: The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the Lord!

+*HYMN 300

"We Are One in the Spirit" THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Lord, like our ancestors of the faith, we set our expectations for who Jesus should be and what Your kingdom's priorities are. We make assumptions and set our own priorities. Help us by Your Spirit to read the words of the prophets and the Gospels with new eyes and active imaginations for justice and mercy. Help us to seek goodness for the poor, release to those in captivity, and to proclaim Your favor. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel!

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*HYMN 757 "Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples"

KINGSFOLD

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

A MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Immediately following the Message for Young Disciples, children age four through second grade are invited to Children's Chapel.

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 4:14-21, pew Bible pg. 952

SERMON "Dangerous, but Necessary" Brian Daoust

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)

Apostles' Creed

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND CALL TO OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

Text to Give 704-734-9818

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "A Covenant Prayer"

Dan Forrest

*DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)

OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Unison)

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Lord, take these gifts and bless them to the work of good news for the poor, the captive, the oppressed, and all in need. Amen.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN 772 "Live into Hope" TRURO

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE "Siyahamba" SIYAHAMBA

+Ushers may seat late worshipers

^{*}Those who are able please stand.

SELWYN AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WARMLY WELCOMES ALL WHO VISIT

Selwyn Avenue is glad you are with us this morning. We welcome all visitors, celebrating God's creativity in human diversity. We'd like to stay in touch with you! Please take a moment to fill out a pew card and place it in the offering plate. Please ask an usher if you need help locating the nursery, restrooms, changing tables, or large print hymnals.

Membership is by one of three paths: 1) profession of faith in Jesus Christ (for those who have never been part of a Christian church); 2) re-affirmation of faith (for those who formerly were part of a congregation but have not been involved in recent times - for example, you were baptized and/or confirmed but moved and never engaged with a new congregation); or 3) transfer of membership from another congregation (your membership is with another church). New members and prospective members are invited to participate in Orientation Classes, which are scheduled several times a year, and are a wonderful way to meet others and learn about our church and all the opportunities here. We always stand ready to be in communication with you about your particular situation. The contact information for all staff members is in the bulletin each week.

WORSHIP BAGS FOR 4 YRS. - 5TH GRADE Age-appropriate activities for readers and non-readers to encourage their participation in following along in worship are available in the narthex. Please return the bag to the basket after worship.

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