

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO**

**January 22, 2023  
10:00am**

**THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

**GATHERING**

**PRESERVICE MUSIC**

*“Morning Has Broken”*  
*“Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain”*  
*“The Light of the World Is Jesus”*  
*“Shine, Jesus, Shine”*  
*“Somebody’s Knocking at Your Door”*  
*“Jesus, Savior, Lord, Now to You I Come”*  
*“Will You Come and Follow Me”*  
*“Open Our Eyes, Lord”*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SHARING OF PRAYER REQUESTS**

**CHIMES**

(The pouring of water invites us to remember and to celebrate our baptism into the body of Christ.)

**PRELUDE**

*“Fill His Courts With Praise”* (Van Woert)

**\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Please exchange these words with your immediate neighbors: “The peace of the Lord be with you.” “And also with you.”

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Isaiah 9:2, Matthew 4:16

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;  
**those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined.**

Let us worship God.

**\*OPENING HYMN #81**

*“Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”* (Haydn)

## **\*PRAYER OF ADORATION**

God, our light and our salvation, Jesus announced the nearness of your kingdom and called his disciples to be fishers of men and women. Give us courage to follow in the way of Jesus, that our lives may bear witness to the good news of the kingdom at hand and our vocation serve to draw people to your salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

## **\*GLORIA PATRI #581**

*“Glory Be to the Father”* (Greatorex)

## **CALL TO CONFESSION**

Let us confess our sins before God, the source of freedom and forgiveness.

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Almighty God, we confess that we have not been faithful to you in our thoughts and actions. We have been selfish in our desires and quarrelsome in our relationships. We have allowed fear to divide us from those who seem different, and let distrust separate us from our brothers and sisters. Shine your light into our darkened hearts. Save us from our divisive ways. Unite us in the same mind as Jesus Christ who dwells with you and the Holy Spirit in perfect harmony. Amen.**

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

God offers forgiveness to those who turn to God in true repentance. Therefore, trust in God, who breaks the bonds of our oppression, and covers us in mercy. Hear the Good News of the Gospel.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.  
Thanks be to God!**

## **THE WORD**

## **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

God, illumine our minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed our eyes may see your kingdom, our ears may hear the call of Jesus, and our hearts may know the joy of your salvation. **Amen.**

## **MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES**

Lucy Tucker

**READING FROM THE BOOK OF PSALMS**

Psalm 27:1,4-9

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES**

Isaiah 9:1-4

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT**

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**DUET**

*“Shine On Me”* (Traditional Spiritual, Arr. Dilworth)  
(Wayne Bevers, Bob Entrop)

(Please stand for the reading of the Gospels if you are able)

**\*READING FROM THE GOSPELS**

Matthew 4:12-23

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON**

**\*HYMN #169**

*“Dear Lord and Father of Mankind”* (Maker)

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible. All things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn of the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

God, the source of all good things, has given us what we need. In joyful response, let us offer our gifts, the fruit of our labors, and the dedication of our hearts for loving service in the name of Christ.

**MUSICAL OFFERING**      *“Jesus Calls Us (Meditation on Galilee)”* (Keeney)

**\*DOXOLOGY #606**

Genevan Psalter

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION**

**God of our salvation, receive these gifts we offer and bless them  
for the work of your kingdom, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**\*OUR 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 and ever. Amen.**

**SENDING**

**\*CLOSING HYMN #110**

*“Love Has Come”* (French Melody)

(January hymn of the month)

**\*MOMENT OF SILENCE TO PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH**

**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**\*POSTLUDE**

*“I Love to Tell the Story”*

\*Please stand if you are able where asterisks are printed.

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