

# SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

11:00 a.m.

January 15, 2023

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WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good, for God's mercy endures forever. Who can declare the mighty acts of the Lord, or proclaim in full God's praise? Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting: and let all the people say, "Amen!"

\*HYMN # 31

*Let Us with a Gladsome Mind*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Holy God, who is all wise, forgive us for thinking that we are wise, when we are foolish. Forgive us for being content to satisfy our hunger and thirst, when there are those who hunger and thirst for justice and righteousness. Forgive us for enjoying conflict more than peace, for being content with the way things are instead of working for the way things should be. Forgive us for loving self more than others, for choosing to sit in darkness instead of seeking the light. Changed by your grace and glory, enable our forgiven lives to reflect the promise of your kingdom, revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 40

I waited patiently for the LORD; who inclined to me and heard my cry.

The Lord drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my footing secure.

The Lord put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.

**Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the LORD.**

Happy are those who make the LORD their trust, who do not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after false gods.

**You have multiplied, O LORD my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you.**

Were I to proclaim and tell of them, they would be more than can be counted.

**Sacrifice and offering you do not desire, but you have given me an open ear.**

Burnt offering and sin offering you have not required.

**Then I said, "Here I am; in the scroll of the book, it is written of me.**

I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart."

**I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; see, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O LORD.**

I have not hidden your saving help within my heart, I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation; I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation.

**Do not, O LORD, withhold your mercy from me; let your steadfast love and your faithfulness keep me safe forever.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHILDREN'S SERMON**

**NEW TESTAMENT READING**

**John 1:29-42**

**PASTORAL PRAYER 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 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.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

***Best of All Friends***

**Trinity Chancel Choir**

**EPISTLE READING**

**1 Corinthians 1:1-9**

**SERMON**

***Sosthenes***

**The Rev. Sara J. (Sally) Hughes**

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**(from the *Belhar Confession*)**

**We believe in the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end.**

**We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family.**

**We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another; that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ; that through the working of God's Spirit it is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought: one which the people of God must continually be built up to attain; that this unity must become visible so that the world may believe that separation, enmity and hatred between people and groups is sin which Christ has already conquered, and accordingly that anything which threatens this unity may have no place in the church and must be resisted.**

**We believe that, in obedience to Jesus Christ, its only head, the church is called to confess and to do all things that might promote**

unity, even though the authorities and human laws might forbid them and punishment and suffering be the consequence. Jesus is Lord.

To the one and only God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be the honor and the glory for ever and ever.

**\*HYMN # 722**

*Lord, Speak to Me*

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

**Special thanks** to Vera Billington for serving as our scripture reader this morning.

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### **Monday, 1/16:**

Finance Meeting (Parlor) – 7:00 p.m.

Lambda AA Meeting (Chapel) – 8:00 p.m.

### **Tuesday, 1/17:**

21<sup>st</sup> Avenue AA Meeting (Chapel) – 8:00 p.m.

### **Wednesday, 1/18:**

Chancel Choir Rehearsal – 7:00 p.m.

### **Thursday, 1/19:**

Lambda AA Meeting (Chapel) – 8:00 p.m.

### **Sunday, 1/22:**

Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Chapel) – 10:30 a.m.

Worship Service (Sanctuary) – 11:00 a.m.

*The Rev. Sally Hughes preaching*

*(Childcare available during worship)*

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