

Hearing God's Call to Become Community

**Prelude** "We Gather Together" # 276

Welcome and Announcements

**\*Hymn of Gathering** "Here I Am, Lord" # 452

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in deepest sin my hand will save. I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear by light to them? Who shall I send?

**CHORUS:** Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have born my people's pain, I have wept for love of them, they turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts of love alone, I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? **CHORUS**

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them, my hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them, Whom shall I send. **CHORUS**

Seeking God's Mercy and Pardon

\*Responsive Call to Worship 8:30am-Nancy Kline / 10:30am Raymond McLanahan

*Litany of Ministry* page 451 (see bulletin insert)

Proclaiming and Hearing the Word

Children's Message

The Text *Romans 12: 3-8* (NRSV)

Message "Sharing Our Gifts (of the Spirit)" Rev. Schwartz

Time for Giving

Call for Our Offerings 8:30am-Nancy Kline / 10:30am Raymond McLanahan

**Doxology** "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" #46

\*Prayer of Dedication

Receiving the Visible and Tangible Signs of God's Grace

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Congregational/Pastoral Prayer

Communion Meditation and Invitation 8:30am-Nancy Kline / 10:30am Raymond McLanahan

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*

**Communion Hymn:** "Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service" # 461

Departing to Serve Where God Leads

**Closing Hymn** "Called as Partners in Christ's Service" # 453

1. Called as partners in Christ's service, called to ministries of grace, we respond with deep commitment fresh new lines of faith to trace. May we learn the art of sharing, side by side and friend with friend, equal partners in our caring to fulfill God's chosen end.

2. Christ's example, Christ's inspiring, Christ's clear call to work and worth, let us follow, never faltering, reconciling folk on earth. Men and women, richer, poorer, all God's people, young and old, blending human skills together gracious gifts from God unfold.

3. Thus new patterns for Christ's mission, in a small or global sense, help us bear each other's burdens, breaking down each wall or fence. Words of comfort, words of vision, words of challenge, said with care, bring new power and strength for action, make us colleagues, free and fair.

4. So God grant us for tomorrow ways to order human life that surrounds each person's sorrow with a calm that conquers strife. Make us partners in our living, our compassion to increase, messengers of faith, thus giving hope and confidence and peace.

\*Benediction Rev. Schwartz

**Postlude** "We Are Walking" # 442

January 16, 2022

Second Sunday after Epiphany  
Liturgical Color: Green

**Romans 12: 3-8 (NRSV)**

<sup>3</sup>For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. <sup>4</sup>For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, <sup>5</sup>so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. <sup>6</sup>We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; <sup>7</sup>ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; <sup>8</sup>the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

L: These are Words from the Lord

**P: Thanks be to God!**

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Sunday, January 16, 2022 ☩ 8:30 & 10:30a.m.

*Welcome! May your Journey of Faith be encouraged while you seek God here today.*