

Hearing God's Call to Become Community

Prelude "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" # 16

Welcome and Announcements

***Hymn of Gathering** "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" #2

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love, hearts unfold like flowers before the opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive our fear and doubt away; giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

2. All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays, stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird and flowering fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.

3. Thou are giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, well-spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest! Thou our Father, Christ our Brother, all who live in love are thine; teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

4. Mortals, join the happy chorus stars of morning, take your part; love divine is reigning o'er us, binding those of tender heart. Ever singing, move we onward, victors in the midst of strife, joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.

Seeking God's Mercy and Pardon

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

Psalm 71: 1-6

L: In you, O LORD, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame.

C: In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me and save me.

L: Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.

C: Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.

L: For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O LORD, from my youth.

ALL: Upon you I have leaned from my birth; it was you who took me from my mother's womb. My praise is continually of you.

Proclaiming and Hearing the Word

Children's Message

The Text

Message

I Corinthians 13: 1-13

"Love is the Greatest"

(NRSV)

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: "The Love of God" Red Hymnal # 166

Departing to Serve Where God Leads

Closing Hymn "They'll Know We Are Christians" # 494

1. We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

REFRAIN: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

2. We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land: **REFRAIN:**

3. We will work with each other, we will work side by side, we will work with each other, we will work side by side, and we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride: **REFRAIN:**

4. All praise to the Father, from whom all things come, and all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son, and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one: **REFRAIN:**

*Benediction

Rev. Schwartz

Postlude "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go" #540

January 30, 2022

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
Liturgical Color: Green

I Corinthians 13: 1-13 (NRSV)

¹ If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ² And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³ If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

⁴ Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant ⁵ or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶ it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. ⁷ It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

⁸ Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. ⁹ For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; ¹⁰ but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. ¹¹ When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. ¹² For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. ¹³ And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

L: These are Words from the Lord

P: Thanks be to God!

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