

# A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

## The Third Sunday After Epiphany

January 21, 2007

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

\*All who are able may stand.

**Bold type spoken by the congregation**

GATHERING. . .

The Prelude

The Welcome and Announcements

The Introit

The Call To Worship

(from *Psalms* 19)

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;  
the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple.  
**The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart;  
the commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes.**  
The fear of the Lord is sure, enduring forever;  
The ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.  
**Let the words of our mouths and meditation of our hearts  
be acceptable to you, O Lord, our rock and our redeemer.**

The Prayer of Adoration

**Your law is perfect, O God; Your ways are just. We praise You for Christ, Who makes known Your Word. Gold's value is nothing compared to the salvation You offer. The sweetness of honey is a foretaste of the feast You prepare. Made alive by Your mercy and renewed in Your Spirit, we come adoring Your goodness. Thanks be to You most holy and everlasting God. Amen.**

\*The Hymn 166

*"The Heavens Above Declare God's Praise"*

\*The Prayer of Confession

**Sometimes, God, we do not know what to confess. We seek to keep your law, but the right course is not always clear. We want to follow your direction, but it is hard to discern what is true. Often, it is difficult to care about people whose values are different from ours. How can we be one with those who do not share our beliefs? At times, our own faith is shaken – our faith in ourselves and our faith in you. We need your help, God, so our sins will not have dominion over us. In your great mercy, forgive us. . . (time for silent confession). . .**

\*The Assurance of Pardon

\*The Gloria Patri

p. 579 in the Hymnal

\*The Peace and Greeting

The peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you!**  
(Please exchange this ancient greeting with worshippers seated near you.  
Please stand to greet one another in the name of Christ.)

TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD. . .

The Prayer for Illumination

The Old Testament Lesson: *Nehemiah* 8:1-3,5-6,8-10

p. 540 in the pew Bible

The Psalter Lesson: *Psalms* 19

p. 613 in the pew Bible

The Anthem *“It is Well with My Soul”* Tom Fettke  
The Epistle Lesson: *1 Corinthians 12:12-31a* p. 212 in the pew Bible  
A Moment With the Children  
\*The Hymn 466 *“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”*  
The Gospel Lesson: *Luke 4:14-21* p. 74 in the pew Bible  
The Sermon *“More Than Words”*  
Patrick Dennis

AND TO MAKE PROPER RESPONSE. . .

\*The *Apostles’ Creed* p. 14 in the Hymnal  
The Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession  
The Lord’s Prayer p. 16 in the Hymnal  
The Service of Offering  
The Offertory  
\*The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication Doxology, p. 592 in the Hymnal

GO IN GOD’S NAME.

\*The Hymn 435 *“We All Are One in Mission”*  
\*The Charge & Benediction  
\*The Postlude

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**Session – 2006-2007**

**Class of 2007**

James Ford  
Heather Howe  
Donna Hudgins  
Tom Lewis  
Marsha Lockett  
Ted Williams  
Joe Le Febre (1-year term)

**Class of 2008**

Neil Corry  
Pam Eisensmith  
Bridget Harvey  
Michelle Porter  
Charlie Rowe  
Lynn Simms

**Class of 2009**

Erma Baker  
Bill Baer  
Jan Morse  
Ellie Crane  
Tom Edwards  
Steve McCullough