

Order of Worship
January 21, 2018 – 11:00 a.m.
Third Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome & Announcements

Introit: "Joy to the World" (verses 2 & 4) # 40

PRAISE AND ADORATION

Call to Worship: (responsively) (based on Psalm 62:5-8)

Leader: In silence do our souls wait for God, for our hope is from him.

People: God alone is my rock, my salvation and my fortress; I shall not be shaken.

Leader: Our deliverance and our honor rests solely in God who is our refuge and strength.

People: Therefore, I will trust in God at all times and pour out my heart before him in prayer and praise.

*Hymn: "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty" # 138

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession: (in unison)

Merciful God, you speak to us, yet your voice is drowned out by the busyness, the worries, the fears, and the deafening selfishness of our world. Forgive us, Lord, when we fail to be quiet enough to hear you and to find rest in you. Inspire us by your Spirit to respond to your calling on our lives with commitment and faithfulness so that through us, the whole world might see you clearly. This we ask in the name of Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Confession Response: **"Lord have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us."** # 574

Assurance of Pardon

Greeting One Another

*Response "Gloria Patri" # 579

HEARING THE WORD

Let the Children Come

Choral Music

Scripture Reading:

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Hymn Singing

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Offertory and Presentation of Gifts to God

*Doxology # 592

*Prayer of Dedication

Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead, he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Hymn: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" # 403

*Charge and Benediction

*Benediction Response: "Amen"