

4th Sunday After Epiphany

Color: White (symbolizing Life)

The United Methodist Church of Chugiak

Pastor: Rev. Timothy McConville

Ministers: The Entire Congregation

10 am Worship Service

February 3, 2019

As you are seated, please remember to fill out the attendance pad and pass it along the pew.

* - Indicates those who are able may stand

Bold – Everyone speaks

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal (blue hardcover)

FWS – The Faith We Sing Hymnal (black paperback)

WAS – Worship and Song (green paperback)

Inspiration

To be persuasive, we must be believable; to be believable, we must be credible; to be credible, we must be truthful.

—Edward R. Murrow.

Words of Welcome

Greeting

Prelude

Terri Schimmack

Prayer of Safety

Amy Steffian

As we light this lamp, we pray for the safety of all who are in harm's way this day and especially for all those in the midst of conflict.

Grant us peace, grant them peace, grant the world peace, in the name of Your Son. Amen.

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Come into this sacred space to worship God.

People: God of mystery, in you I trust; never let me be ashamed. In your way of putting things right, encourage and strengthen me; turn your ear toward me, and hear my plea.

Leader: Come into this sacred space to worship God.

People: Be to me a rock for dwelling in, a secure place for retreating to, time and time again; a rock for my restoration; for you are my rock and my stronghold.

Leader: Come into this sacred space to worship God.

People: Sustain me against the hand of the wicked, the hands of the unjust and the ruthless.

Leader: Come into this sacred space to worship God.

People: For you are my hope, my trust since my early years. I have relied on you from the womb; from my birth you have sustained me. In you is my wonder again and again and again.

—Based on Psalm 71:1-6

***Opening Hymn**

UMH #463

“Lord, Speak to Me”

Call to Confession

When we pray, we speak to God. When we pray, God speaks to us. Let us, therefore, enter into dialogue with our Creator.

Unison Prayer of Confession

We confess without reservation that our dialogue with you, O God, is not really a dialogue. Too often, we ask without listening, complain without offering thanksgiving. We pray, and cannot understand why we get no response. Awaken us to wonder: If you called, would we answer? Or would you get a busy signal? Would you leave a message, and get no answer in return? We confess anew our impatience and our unwillingness to sit in the holy stillness of your presence. Forgive us, loving God. Thank you for letting us try again. In this minute of silence, let us be still and listen to what you would say to us this day.

Silent Prayer

Assurance of Pardon

Even when we try and fail again and again, God loves us still. In the richness of God’s grace, we accept the peace of Christ, which passes all understanding. Amen.

Response and Call to Prayer

FWS #2152

"Change My Heart, O God"

Prayers of the People

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Brief prayers may be shared by people in the congregation.

*If it is a prayer request, the Pastor will end the prayer by saying,
"God, to your love..."*

If it is a praise, the Pastor will say, "God, in thanksgiving..."

*Then the people shall respond each time by saying:
"...we trust this prayer."*

Pastoral Prayer

Anthem

"How Beautiful (Your Songs of Praise)"

Choir

Especially for Children

FWS #2233

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshipping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.

Offering our Gifts

(All loose change goes to Anchorage Gospel Mission)

To our first time visitors: As the offering plate is passed, please understand that your presence is the only gift we ask. If you would join us again next Sunday, that would be appreciated even more!

*Doxology

UMH #94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication

Reading from the Word

Listen for the Word of God.

Our hearts and minds are open.

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Psalm 71:1-6

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

*Luke 4:21-30

Thanksgiving for the Word

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God

The Message

Rev. Tim McConville

Holy Communion*

The Great Thanksgiving

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

***Hymn of Discipleship**

FWS #2213

"Healer of Our Every Ill"

***Taking Christ's Light into the World**

Extinguishing the altar candles

***Benediction**

***Benediction Response** (*words on the overhead beams*)

***Passing the Peace**

May the Peace of God go with you.

And also with you.

Scriptures for next Sunday, February 10th

Isaiah 6:1-8 (9-13)

Psalm 138 (UMH 853)

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Luke 5:1-11

***Communion Note**

We also have a separate gluten-free bread and chalice available for those who cannot have gluten. Please ask the servers for "gluten-free".