

3rd Sunday After Epiphany

Color: Green (symbolizing Growth)

The United Methodist Church of Chugiak

Pastor: Rev. David Hall

Ministers: The Entire Congregation

10:15 am Worship Service

January 26, 2020

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)

Greetings and Announcements

Prelude

Terri Schimmack

Prayer of Safety

Betty Burke

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.

*Gathering Song

UMH #398

"Jesus Calls Us"

Gathering in God's Name

***Call to Worship**

One: The people who walked in the darkness have seen a great light;
Many: those who lived in a land of deep darkness-on them light has shined.

One: Thanks be to God!

Many: Thanks be to God!

Call to Confession

Let us confess our sins to God, the source of freedom and forgiveness.

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we confess that we have not been faithful to you in our thoughts and actions. We have been selfish in our desires and quarrelsome in our relationships. We have allowed fear to divide us from those who seem different, and let distrust separate us from our brothers and sisters. Shine your light into our darkened hearts. Save us from our divisive ways. Unite us in the same mind as Jesus Christ who dwells with you and the Holy Spirit in perfect harmony. Amen.

Moment of Stillness and Reflection

Words of Assurance

One: God offers forgiveness to those who turn to God in true repentance. Therefore, trust in God, who breaks the bonds of our oppression, and covers us in mercy.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Call to Prayer

God, our light and our salvation, Jesus announced the nearness of your Kingdom and called his disciples to be fishers of women and men. Give us courage to follow in the way of Jesus, that our lives may bear witness to the good news of the Kingdom at hand and our vocations serve to draw people to your salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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

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.

Praise and Preparation "This Little Light of Mine" Choir

First Reading from the Word Isaiah 9:1-4

***Responsorial Hymn** 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!

Proclamation of God's Word

***Prayer of Illumination**

God, illumine our minds by the power of the Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed our eyes may see your Kingdom, our ears may hear the call of Jesus, and our hearts may know the joy of your salvation. Amen.

***Gospel Reading** Matthew 4:12-23

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.

The Message *Fireflies* Rev. David Hall

Responding to God's Word

Response in Praise and Offering

UMH #344

"Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"

(All loose change goes to Children's Lunchbox)

If you are visiting for the first time, your presence is gift enough. We would love to see you again next Sunday!

***Presentation of the Gifts**

"Glory Be to the Father"

UMH #70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

Service of Holy Communion**

UMH #13

***Hymn of Reflection**

FWS #2101

"Two Fishermen"

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

Extinguishing the altar candles

***Charge and Blessing**

One: Go forth in peace, for God in Christ has enriched you with speech and knowledge and every spiritual gift, that God's salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.

Many: Amen

***Benediction (Beam Song)**

***Passing the Peace**

One: Christ calls us to be fishers of women and men for the sake of His beloved Kingdom. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Many: Amen

****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".