

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Epiphany

Green (symbolizing Growth)

## The United Methodist Church of Chugiak

Pastor: Rev. Timothy McConville

Ministers: The Entire Congregation

8:30 am & 11:00 am Worship Service

January 21, 2018

*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

*Reflecting on Jonah's prayer from the fish's belly, Herman Melville in Moby-Dick has the preacher in the seamen's church, Father Mapple, comment on Jonah's repentance:*

*"Then Jonah prayed to the Lord out of the fish's belly. But observe his prayer, and learn a weighty lesson. For sinful as he is, Jonah does not weep and wail for direct deliverance. He feels that his dreadful punishment is just. He leaves all his deliverance to God, contenting himself with this, that in spite of all his pains and pangs, he will still look toward His holy temple. And here, shipmates, is true and faithful repentance; not clamorous for pardon, but grateful for punishment."*

*—Herman Melville, Moby-Dick (New York: Norton, 1967), 49*

## Words of Welcome

## Greeting

## Prelude

8:30 Marsha Frederick  
11:00 Terri Schimmack

## **Prayer of Safety**

8:30 Amy Steffian  
11:00 Sandra Woods

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 follow me;

**People: For just this hour —**

Leader: Come follow me;

**People: Listen to my word —**

Leader: Come follow me;

**People: Think about your life as my disciple every day —**

Leader: Come follow me;

**People: Pray —**

Leader: Come follow me;

**People: Sing —**

Leader: Follow me;

**People: Come, let us worship God!**

## **\*Opening Hymn**

UMH #261

"Lord of the Dance"

## **Call to Prayer**

### **Unison Prayer of Invocation**

**O God, we come before you as a people gathered to behold the Christ, a light dawned that cannot be extinguished. In this new year, we offer special thanks for this community of faith and your faithful presence. Help us to see more clearly your glorious light, that we will open our hearts to your reign on earth and dedicate our lives to your service.**

## **Silent Prayer**

## **Words of Assurance**

## **Response and Call to Prayer**

FWS #2068

"I Love You, Lord"

## **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 (11:00)**

**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.**

### **Anthem (11:00)**

"Kingdom of the Light"

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 Children's Lunch Box)*

*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**

### **Hymn of Preparation (11:00)**

FWS #2129

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

## **Reading from the Word**

Listen for the Word of God.

**Our hearts and minds are open.**

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Psalm 62:5-12 (*sing response UMH 787*)

I Corinthians 7:29-31

\*Mark 1:14-20

## **Thanksgiving for the Word**

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God**

## **The Message**

*Jonah's Escape*

Rev. Tim McConville

## **Holy Communion\*** (8:30)

The Lord's Prayer

## **\*Hymn of Discipleship**

FWS #2130

"The Summons"

## **\*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.**

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## **Scriptures for next Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>**

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Psalm 111 (UMH 832)

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Mark 1:21-28

## **\*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".