THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
JANUARY 26, 2025
11:00 AM

As a courtesy to others, please silence your phone.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

RINGING OF THE BELLS

LIFE OF THE CHURCH Rev. Timothy T. Boggess

NEW MEMBER RECOGNITION: RICHARD & CATHERINE COLE

PRELUDE *Softly and Tenderly* Will Thompson/arr. Phillips

from Psalm 117

CALL TO WORSHIP Michael Fingerle

Praise the Lord, all you nations!
Extoll him, all you peoples!
For great is God's steadfast love toward us,
And the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.
Praise the Lord!

***HYMN 307** *God of Grace and God of Glory* CWM RHONDDA

God of grace and God of glory,
on thy people pour thy power;
crown thine ancient church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us
scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!
From the fears that long have bound us
free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the living of these days,
for the living of these days.

Cure thy children's warring madness;
bend our pride to thy control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation
to the evils we deplore.
Let the gift of thy salvation
be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
serving thee whom we adore,
serving thee whom we adore.

* Please rise in body or in spirit.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Beckoning God,
you constantly invite us to join you
in the deeper waters of discipleship,
yet we prefer the shallow waters of the familiar.
Forgive us.
Give us a faith as big as your plans for our lives.
Anchor us in your truth.

(a moment for silent reflection)

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God.

***SONG OF JOY 804** (v 1) *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart* ELLACOMBE

Rejoice, ye pure in heart!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!
Your festal banner wave on high,
the cross of Christ your King.

Refrain:
Rejoice! Rejoice!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Text from Psalm 98

ANTHEM *Clap Your Hands and Sing* Alan Pote
(The Chancel Choir)

Sing a new song to the Lord,
Sing a new song of joy.
Sing to the Lord with shouts of gladness,
Sing a new song of joy.
O praise him with song,
with trumpet and horn,
make a joyful noise to the Lord.
And clap your hands you rivers,
Sing together all you hills.
O clap your hands and sing for joy!

For God has done wonderful works among the people.
He has remembered Israel.
Ruling in majesty, in mighty power and strength.
God is the ruler of the world.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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SCRIPTURE READING Luke 5:1-11

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON *So What?* Rev. Boggess

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER Michael Fingerle

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors:
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY *My Life Flows on in Endless Song* Traditional
arr. Phillips

***DOXOLOGY 608** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* PRAISE GOD (Hopson)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

from *A Declaration of Faith* (1977)

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Michael Fingerle

**Our confidence and hope for ourselves and other people
do not rest in the powers and achievements of this world,
but in the coming and hidden presence of God's kingdom.
Christ calls each of us to a life appropriate to that kingdom:
to serve as he has served us;
to take up our cross,
risking the consequences of faithful discipleship;
to walk by faith, not by sight,
to hope for what we have not seen.**

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***HYMN 726** *Will You Come and Follow Me* KELVINGROVE

"Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"

"Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?"

"Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?"

"Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION** Rev. Boggess

POSTLUDE *Rondeau* Jean-Josef Mouret

The postlude concludes our worship today. It's the custom of this congregation to sit and enter into this moment with gratitude and celebration.

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