



PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH
OF THE ROSES

Reaching Out with Nurturing Love to All

RESPECT

each other

CELEBRATE

differences

HELP

each other

FIND

common ground

ACCEPT

each other

Third Sunday after Epiphany

January 23, 2022 ~ ZOOM Worship 10 am

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

"Elegiac Melody"

by G.W. Cassler

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The Lord our God is revealed to us in many ways—
through God's creative love in nature and people.

All: With reverent awe we come to worship our Glorious God.

*HYMN #625 (1,2 & 4) "How Great Thou Art"

Stuart K. Hine

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed:

[Refrain]

**Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:
How great thou art! How great thou art!
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How great thou art! How great thou art!**

When through the woods and forest glades I wander
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze: [Refrain]

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" [Refrain]

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

One: We are baptized as individuals, yet called to live and serve together. We know, and need to confess, how we have sought to live for ourselves, not reaching out and seeing others as important parts of Christ's Body. Join me as we pray, saying,

All: Rock of our salvation,

we know the faults we try to hide from you and others.

We have not cared for all people in the same way.

We think some are more gifted, or better, or prettier.

We are more willing to rejoice with someone, than to suffer with another. We are not sure how to give the poor hope.

One: Redeemer of all people, forgive us.

Anoint us with your Spirit's power so our eyes might be opened and our ears freed to listen to what Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, teaches us about your love and grace for all our lives. Amen.

WORDS OF AFFIRMATION

One: God's Spirit is upon us: the Spirit of forgiveness, the Spirit of grace, the Spirit of oneness. Today, and in all the days to come, God's Spirit is with us.

All: Thanks be to the One who is our joy and our strength.

Alleluia! Amen.

CALL FOR OFFERING AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Linda Burille

OFFERTORY "We Give Thee But Thine Own" Cantica Laudis, Boston, 1850

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION "Your Word is Like A Lamp" Carolyn W. Gillette
(to the tune of Hymn #722, "Lord Speak to Me That I May Speak")

Your word is like a lamp, O Lord, and like a light to guide our way,

For in this ever-changing world, it bears your promise every day.

God, open wide each heart and mind, by your own Spirit, now we pray,
That in your scriptures we may find, new strength to serve you every day.

God's Glory in Creation and the Law

To the leader. A Psalm of David.

The heavens are telling the glory of God;
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.
Day to day pours forth speech,
and night to night declares knowledge.
There is no speech, nor are there words;
their voice is not heard;
yet their voice goes out through all the earth,
and their words to the end of the world.

In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun,
which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding
canopy,
and like a strong man runs its course with joy.
Its rising is from the end of the heavens,
and its circuit to the end of them;
and nothing is hidden from its heat.

The law of the Lord is perfect,
reviving the soul;
the decrees of the Lord are sure,
making wise the simple;
the precepts of the Lord are right,
rejoicing the heart;
the commandment of the Lord is clear,
enlightening the eyes;
the fear of the Lord is pure,
enduring for ever;
the ordinances of the Lord are true
and righteous altogether.
More to be desired are they than gold,

even much fine gold;
sweeter also than honey,
and drippings of the honeycomb.

Moreover by them is your servant warned;
in keeping them there is great reward.
But who can detect their errors?
Clear me from hidden faults.
Keep back your servant also from the insolent;
do not let them have dominion over me.
Then I shall be blameless,
and innocent of great transgression.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart
be acceptable to you,
O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word! **Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM The Call from "Five Mystical Songs" Ralph Vaughan Williams
Bill Morgan, Bass-Baritone

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 10: 29-31.

Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground outside your Father's care. And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. So don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word! **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON Finding the Faith to Be Who God Has Called You to Be!

Suzanne Ford

*HYMN #754

"Help Us Accept Each Other"

Doreen Potter

Help us accept each other
as Christ accepted us;
teach us as sister, brother,
each person to embrace.
Be present, Lord, among us
and bring us to believe
we are ourselves accepted,
and meant to love and live.

Teach us, O Lord, your lessons,
as in our daily life
we struggle to be human
and search for hope and faith.
Teach us to care for people,
for all, not just for some,
to love them as we find them,
or as they may become.

Let your acceptance change us,
so that we may be moved
in living situations
to do the truth in love;
to practice your acceptance
until we know by heart
the table of forgiveness,
and laughter's healing art.

Lord, for today's encounters
with all who are in need,
who hunger for acceptance,
for justice and for bread,
we need new eyes for seeing,

new hands for holding on:
renew us with your Spirit;
Lord, free us; make us one!

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

One: God the Holy Spirit,

You are the restless breath of love that sweeps through the world.
You move where you will, breaking down barriers,
Stirring hearts to change, making all things possible.
Inspire each one of us to hunger and thirst for justice!

All: Come, Spirit of God,

Sweep through our world bringing great change.

May the bounty of your goodness be shared more justly,

So all may share in the rich blessings of your creation.

And, for us, bring transformation in our praying and living,

So that we may act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you all the days of our lives. As we pray the prayer you taught us saying:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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.

*HYMN #300

"We are One In the Spirit"

Peter Scholtes, 1966

We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord;

We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord,

And we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

[Refrain]

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;

yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;

yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand;
We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand,
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land: [Refrain]

We will work with each other; we will work side by side;
We will work with each other; we will work side by side,
And we'll guard human dignity and save human pride; [Refrain]

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
And all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son,
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one [Refrain]

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Voluntary II"

by Richard Peek

PREACHER: Suzanne Ford PASTOR: Rev. Dr Cindy Alloway

LITURGIST: Linda Burille

MUSIC: Carol Menke, Althea Wright

TECHNOLOGY: Norm Smith, Phil Goede, Nico Wycoff

Our Guest Speaker today: Suzanne Ford, pronouns she/her, is originally from Kentucky. She graduated with honors with a BA in History from Murray State University. She then attended Howard Law School. A proud and out trans woman, she is a fierce activist working toward equal rights for the Trans community. She is employed as a Regional Sales Manager at Revere Packaging, being named by Plastic News as one of Women Breaking the Mold in the Packaging Industry in 2017. Suzanne serves as President of the board of the Spahr Center in Marin County and as a board member and Treasurer of SF Pride. She is also on the board at Trans Heartline where she heads community relations. Suzanne lives in the SF Bay area with her wife Beverly and son, Daniel. She is available to speak to groups or employers about trans issues and her experience facing the world as a trans woman.

PRAYER REQUESTS *Please include in your prayers*

UPCOMING MEMORIALS

A memorial for Tony Burille will take place on March 5, at 2 pm.

A memorial for Rev. Frank Hamilton will be held on Sat., Feb. 19, at 2 pm.

A memorial for Lucy Poindexter will be held on Sat., March 19, at 2 pm.

Those mourning the death of their loved ones

* The family of Margery Baur as they mourn her recent passing.

* The family of Rev. Frank Hamilton, as they mourn his recent passing.

* The family of Lorraine Nichols, as they mourn her passing on Dec.21, 2021.

* The family of Shirley Weber, as they mourn her passing on Dec. 3, 2021.

* The family of Janice Holmes as they mourn her passing on Oct. 23, 2021.

* The family of Tony Burille as they mourn his passing on Oct. 28, 2021.

* The family of Jake Parsons as they mourn his passing on Oct. 29, 2021.

Those with health issues

Bill Beaumont

Dolores Borchers

Patrick Butler

Peggy Call

Doreen Cowden

Pat Currier

Eldon Davis

Dick Draper

Sam Gomes

Michele Hare

Phil Henry

Maryann Iodence

Carolyn Kenworthy

Margret Kram

Vivian Mazeski

Gail Meister

Jessica Morse

Spencer Nguyen

Nancy Pinney

Lynette Randerson

Rosa Rosillo

Pamela Sage

Bob Simmons

Susan Smith

Sharon Sorani

Susie Vela

Bob Weber

Jill White

Roger White

Helen Wikle

Betty Witchey-Ryer

Chris Yen's mom

Avery Yudice

Those serving in our military

Sgt. David A. Dickens, USAF Jason Morse, Coast Guard Lt. Ian Alloway Culver, Lt. Col. David Trowbridge, M.D. is stationed at the Joint Air Force Base Elmendorf-Richardson in Anchorage, Ak and serves as a Cardiologist with the Alaska Native Medical Center, Chris Loranger serving in Afghanistan.

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Understanding the New Testament

Mondays at 7pm by ZOOM
Beginning January 10th



Professor Brake continues his
lectures on the Gospels with

The Gospel of John

Reading this beloved Gospel
ahead of class is recommended.