

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Thunder Bay

January 19th, 2020

2nd Sunday After Epiphany

*indicates please stand if you are able

Bolded passages are to be spoken in unison by the congregation

Minister: Rev. Joyce Yanishewski

We Prepare for Worship

Prelude *Andantino* E. Lemare

Lighting of the Christ Candle – Eleanor Beauchamps

Introit *I Was Glad* C.O.Beck

Words of Welcome

We Worship God

Call to Worship

We wait patiently for our God.

**We will sing, we will sing new songs
of the One who calls us here.**

We will not chase after other gods.

**We will sing, we will sing new songs
of the One in whom we can trust.**

We will tell of all God has done for us.

**We will sing, we will sing new songs
of the One whose salvation is for all.**

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*Hymn *Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness* 174

Opening Prayer

Call to Confession

In gratitude for your faithfulness God and with honesty about who we are, we confess to God our sins together.

Prayer of Confession

You are faithful, Patient God, even as we continue to live in the shadows of life. We could delight in your hopes for us, but choose to do things our way. We could serve the most vulnerable around us, but long to pal around with the powerful. We could share the glad news of deliverance, but prefer to swap stories and gossip.

There is none like you, Redeemer of all your children. You lean over to listen to our prayers, and whisper forgiveness to our souls. You lift us out of the holes we dig for ourselves, and set us on hope's solid ground. You strengthen our weak faith with the life, grace, and love of Jesus Christ, our Lord, our Savior.

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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 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, the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen

Assurance of Pardon

We Listen for God's Word

*Hymn *Seek ye first* 625

Children's Time

Sharing a sign of peace

Peace be with you. **And also with you.**

Community Life Announcements

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings - Jean Rawana

❖ Psalm 40:1-11

¹ I waited patiently for the LORD;

who inclined to me and heard my cry.

² **The Lord drew me up from the desolate pit,
out of the miry bog,
and set my feet upon a rock,
making my steps secure.**

³ The Lord put a new song in my mouth,
a song of praise to our God.
**Many will see and fear,
and put their trust in the LORD.**

- 4 Blessed are those who make
the LORD their trust,
**who do not turn to the proud,
to those who go astray after false gods.**
- 5 You have multiplied, O LORD my God,
your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us;
none can compare with you.
**Were I to proclaim and tell of them,
they would be more than can be counted.**
- 6 Sacrifice and offering you do not desire,
but you have given me an open ear.
Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required.
- 7 **Then I said, 'Here I am;
in the scroll of the book it is written of me.**
- 8 **I delight to do your will, O my God;
your law is within my heart.'**
- 9 I have told the glad news of deliverance
in the great congregation;
**see, I have not restrained my lips,
as you know, O LORD.**
- 10 I have not hidden your saving help within my heart,
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation;
**I have not concealed your steadfast love and your
faithfulness from the great congregation.**
- 11 Do not, O LORD, withhold
your mercy from me;
**let your steadfast love and your faithfulness
keep me safe forever.**

- ❖ 1 Corinthians 1:1-9
- ❖ John 1:29-42

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The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Message

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn *Will you come and follow me* 634

Offering

Organist's Offering *Interlude No. 2* E. Gigout
of Music

Doxology

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To God the Father, God the Son,
and Holy Spirit. Three in One,
may every tongue and nation raise
an endless song of thankful praise.

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Prayer of Dedication

**Gracious God, we offer you our gifts with humble hearts.
We give what we can and each gift seems small on its
own. So bless each one and the gifts of all your people,
throughout the Church. Through the work of your Holy
Spirit, surprise us with all that our gifts can accomplish,
blessed in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Choir's gift of music *How Beautiful* Twila Paris

Prayers of the People

Please respond to the words, "*God, speak to us a word
of...*" with ***Embrace us with your love.***

We are Sent out as God's People

*Hymn *One more step along the world I go* 641

Benediction

Postlude *Marcietta* T. Dubois

