SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP

3rd Sunday after Epiphany January 28, 2024 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Time for quiet prayer and meditation . . . "Be still and know that I am God."

We Come Before God in Worship

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Finance

Eric Goodwin

Prelude "Th

"The Church's One Foundation" a

arr. Boud

No. 463

- * Call to Worship
 - L: Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever.
 - P: As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the LORD surrounds his people, from this time forth and forever more.

Psalm 125:1-2

- * Hymn "Make a Joyful Noise to God!"
- Prayer of Confession (Unison)

God our Redeemer,
we confess that our lives do not reflect your glory.
You offer us your living Word,
but we do not listen to your voice.
You call us to be one in your Spirit,
but we foster division in Christ's body.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Open our hearts again this day
to the liberating truth of your Word,
and to the life-giving power of your Spirit;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

- * Assurance of Pardon
- * Gloria Patri

No. 581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; asit wasin the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Prayer for Children (Ages K3-1st Grade may leave for Children's Church)

Little ones to Him belong: Lord Jesus, bless our children, Amen.

God Givesto Us Through HisWord

Scripture Lesson Psalms 133 & 134

- L: Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!
- P: It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down on the collar of his robes!
- L: It is like the dew of Hermon,
 which falls on the mountains of Zion!
 For there the Lord has commanded the blessing,
 life for ever more.
- P: Come, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord, who stand by night in the house of the Lord!
- L: Lift up your hands to the holy place and bless the Lord!
- P: May the Lord bless you from Zion, he who made heaven and earth!

Anthem (11:00 a.m.) "There Is a Time" arr. Courtney Adult Choir

Scripture Lesson Acts 2:42-47

Sermon The Book of Acts Dr. Seel IV. All Who Believed Were Together

We Respond to God's Word

- * Hymn "Where Charity and Love Prevail" No. 316
- * Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Call to Prayer (11:00 a.m.) "If You Believe and I Believe" arr. Bell Adult Choir

Prayers of the People and 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 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.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Offertory "In Remembrance of Me" arr. Kerrick

Praise God from whom all blessings flow:

Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Hymn "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" No. 306

- * Charge and Benediction
- * Benediction Response "Make Us Holy, Make Us Whole"

In your love, make us whole. May we rest in your compassion.

Calm the lost, weary soul in the warmth of your love.

May your peace fill our hearts May we know the love of Jesus

By your grace, you console. Make us holy, make us whole.

* Postlude "To God Be the Glory" arr. Kerrick

* Congregation Stands

Please write your request, tear off this form, fold, and place in the offering plate.

PRAYER REQUESTS
The Tuesday Morning Prayer Group meets each week at 10:00 a.m. to pray for the EPC family and any other special needs.

Name and date:	(optiona)
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No. 606

WELCOMETO VISITORS

(These are kept confidential!)

If you are visiting today, we would like you to know that it is a privilege to have you with us. It is our hope that you will find a warm welcome and an atmosphere to worship God.

We would love a record of your visit. Please fill out the following and place in the offering plate when passed.

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Address	

Email Address

Phone Number

☐ 1st Time Visit

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Margaret Bishop's 17th birthday on January 22, given with love by her parents, Kevin and Julie Bishop.

NARTHEX FLOWERS

The Narthex flowers today are given to the glory of God and in memory of Todd Schonhar, given by the Schonhar family.

Fill out the form below, tear off and put in the offering plate.

Wonderful Wednesday
Meal Reservation
January 31, 5:30 pm

Menu:

Pork Tenderloin, Scalloped Potatoes, Broccoli Casserole, Salad, Roll, & Dessert

Prepared by: Peppers Catering

Family Name

\$5 for ages 5 years & up \$25 Family Cap

Ages 5 & up: # of meals_ Vegetarian: # of meals

> You may also sign up on our website: easleypresbyterian.org

Deadline is Noon, Monday each week.

NURSERY STAFF

Valerie Brock & Sophie Wilson

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

9:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

Ginna Lister

Kristi Dockery

SAFE PLACE MONITOR

David Owen

JANUARY USHERS

9:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

Melanie Branham, Head Greg Lucas, Asst. Eric Goodwin, Head Candice Ledbetter, Asst.

SOUND & LIGHT

VIDEO

Phil Darity

John Franks

MEMBER NEWS

We express Christian love and sympathy to Josh Ritchie in the death of his grandmother, Elaine Fulbright of Tulsa, OK, who died on January 16, 2024.

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