

THE LAST PLACE ON EARTH

January 22, 2023

Third Sunday after Epiphany

Order of Worship

11:00 AM

ENTRANCE AND GREETING

GATHERING

Centering Our Attention Upon God

Prelude

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Chiming of the Hour

Choral Introit

Welcome and Registration of Attendance

Organist

Acolyte

Chancel Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jennifer Stephenson

The God of all creation makes us one in the flesh.

Let us join hearts and voices in praise.

In Jesus Christ, we are made one in the Spirit.

Let us be united in truth through the same one Spirit.

We practice our faith in many different ways.

Yet we confess one Lord Jesus Christ.

We render different forms of ministry.

Yet our calling is one because Christ is undivided.

Rejoice, people of God: The Risen Christ is among us, calling us together at his one Table.

Praise the Lord!

Life in Liturgy, <https://lifeinliturgy.wordpress.com/2017/01/16/epiphany-3a-christian-unity/>.

*OPENING PRAYER

Jennifer Stephenson

God, our light and our salvation, Jesus announced the nearness of your kingdom and called his disciples to be fishers of women and men. Give us courage to follow in the way of Jesus, that our lives may bear witness to the good news of the kingdom at hand and our vocation serve to draw people to your salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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*HYMN OF PRAISE

“Ye Servants of God”

♫181

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH “A Statement of Faith of the Korean Methodist Church”

Pg.884

*GLORIA PATRI

♫71

**TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

ANTHEM **“Alleluia! Praise with Glad Music”** Chancel Choir

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERING

Offertory

Presentation of the Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology

♫94

*Prayer of Dedication

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

*HYMN OF PREPARATION **“The Summons”** Insert

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 4:12-23 Jennifer Stephenson

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

SERMON **“The Last Place on Earth”**

NEXT STEPS

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN OF DEDICATION **“O Church of God, United”** ♫547

*BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

*CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST TO THE WORLD Acolyte

*POSTLUDE Organist



WORDS OF WELCOME

Welcome to worship at High Street United Methodist Church. Please ask an usher if you need directions to the nursery, would like a large print hymnal or bulletin, need a wireless hearing device, or would like a children’s bulletin or coloring book. If they can be of assistance in any way, please ask.



VISITOR, INFORMATION RESPONSE, & PRAYER REQUESTS

Name: _____ Date: _____
 Visitor List Prayer Request in Bulletin Do Not List Prayer Request in Bulletin
 Keep Prayer Request Confidential I would like to become a member of High Street UMC.
Please put your Contact Information, Prayer Requests & Information Response below: _____

All prayer requests will be given to the pastor and will remain confidential if box checked above. Please tear at the perforations and place in the offering plate.



If you are interested in helping with church services, please indicate below where you would like to volunteer. We need your help!

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Lay Minister Volunteer:

_____ 8:30 Service Greeter & Usher

_____ 8:30 Service Lay Reader

_____ 11:00 Service Greeter

_____ 11:00 Service Lay Reader

_____ 11:00 Service Acolyte

_____ 11:00 Service Usher

_____ Chancel

_____ Open Door Café

_____ Nursery

_____ Sunday School Teacher

_____ A/V (Sound/Live Streaming)

_____ Vacation Bible School

CARE & PRAYER

◆ Please remember the following persons and places in your prayers this week, as well as remember them with cards, calls and visits:

Our World: For areas of war and conflict including Ukraine, those living in fear and suffering, the pre-churched, all those affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, and for discernment.

Our Nation: Our leadership, our military personnel & their families; military personnel related to High Street: Tyler Barto, Jason Jones, Izzy McGuire, Francis Smith, Bert Williams, Douglas Woods and all those affected by mass shootings, and for discernment.

Our Homebound family and those in healthcare and assisted living facilities. For a complete list please see our monthly newsletter “Happenings at High Street” or call the church office.

Our High Street Family: Lois Billings, Kathy Brown, Carolyn Bryant, Kande Eitel, Owen Gillette, Frank Griffin, Cary Kirkland, Linda Mahoney, Billy Phillips, and that we receive a spirit of wisdom and revelation from God.

Our High Street Family’s friends and relatives: Lisa Britt (*aunt of Linda Maya*) Carolyn & Wade Chio (*Linda Mahoney’s sister & brother-in-law*), Reagan Deloatch, Danny Edwards, Katie Ruth Edwards, the Georger family, Anne Hager (*former member*), Mark Harrup (*friends of Billy & Stephanie Duke*), Kate Henderson (*friend of Susan Holloway*), Regina Hurdle (*Linda Maya’s cousin*), John Marks (*Linda Mosley’s brother*), Doug Ridgeway (*family member of Galen Butler*), Noah Soucek (*grandson of Howie Soucek*), Jo Ann Trethaway (*Linda Mosely’s sister*), Nancy View (*Pat Mark’s son’s partner*), Boy Scout & Girl Scout troops & GLA, our bishop, guests for Easter worship.

Our Sincere Sympathy to Judy Riddick, family and friends, on the passing of her brother, Jim Swecker.

Our Sincere Sympathy to the family and friends of Glenn Rawlings, on his passing.

Please call the pastor or church office with any corrections or additions. Names will remain on the prayer list for 3 weeks unless otherwise notified.

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| | Attendance 1/22 | 8:30am= 48 <> 11:00am= 68 | SS: 40 FB: 61 |
| THIS WEEK’S LAY MINISTERS | | | |
| Acolyte | Jackson Cobb | | |
| Chancel | Cheryl Hansford | | |
| Flowers | Pat & Sybil Newman | | |
| Open Door Cafe | Lori Vasser | | |
| 8:30 Greeter | Jane Riddick-Fries | | |
| 8:30 Lay Reader | Rosalind Cutchins | | |
| 11:00 Greeter | Greta Hall | | |
| 11:00 Lay Reader | Jennifer Stephenson | | |
| Ushers | Jim Jervey - Wayne Bailey - Frank Rabil - Evan Ponder | | |

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