

Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 20, 2013

Rev. Dr. Charles A. Wiessner, Pastor

Dr. Lonieta Cornwall, Music Director

The Approach to God

PRELUDE

"The Love of God"

L. Cornwall, Piano

VOTUM

INTROIT

"Bless the Lord"

Chancel Choir

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

(from Psalm 103)

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless his holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits.

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is God's steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us.

The steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. Bless the Lord, all his works, in all places of God's dominions. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

***HYMN OF PRAISE #107**

"Father, Long Before Creation"

***SALUTATION**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(unison)

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us change what we are, and guide what we shall become, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

John 3:16

LAW OF GOD

John 13:34-35

UNISON READING #57

Romans 8

Page 529 Hymnal

***GLORIA PATRI**

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.*

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

“Love Comes From God”

Chancel Choir

The Word of God

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 36:5-10 (Page 396 New Testament)

MOMENT FOR CHILDREN

***MOMENT OF FELLOWSHIP**

***HYMN #106**

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”

SERMON

“Steadfast Love”

Our Response to God

***CONFESSION OF FAITH**

Apostles' Creed

(Page 12 Hymnal)

RECEPTION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

“Love Lifted Me”

Chancel Choir

***DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

***CLOSING HYMN #21**

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

***BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE**

“Love Lifted Me”

Reprise

***POSTLUDE**

*The congregation may stand.

TODAY'S STEWARDS

Greeters: Warren & Audrey Schmidt

Ushers: Carole Angrilla, Aaron & Shawna Guikema, Noriko Hawk

Nursery: Bill & Julie Anne Thompson

Fellowship: Luncheon

Next week's stewards (**January 27**):

Greeters: Walt & Lucy Paradies

Ushers: Barbara Araromi, John Ferris, Mike & Mandy Shafer

Nursery: Vicki, Renee & Natalie Sherwood

Fellowship: Kevin & Laurie Dilio

WORSHIP ASSISTANT

We are happy to have Sandi Torrant sharing in the worship service this morning. There is a signup sheet in the narthex for Worship Assistants for the coming several months.

MEALS ON WHEELS

Just a reminder that this Friday, January 25th is our church's regularly scheduled day for delivery of meals. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Dey.

FELLOWSHIP

The first fellowship event of the New Year will be the nearly annual Mardi Gras dinner. It will be on Saturday, February 9 at 6 p.m. Come for a time of food, fun and fellowship. There is a signup sheet in the Narthex.

OPEN ART WORKSHOP

Please join us for our free Open Art Workshop which meets every Friday from 1 – 3. We meet in the Fellowship Hall and it is open to anyone, both inside and outside the church. Participants should bring any creative project in any medium and all their own supplies. Donations are optional.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

There is a need for volunteers who can provide snacks on Sunday mornings following worship. Please see the sign-up sheet and sign up for the Sunday of your choice. Your help is greatly appreciated!

FOOD PANTRY

The following is needed at the food pantry: tomato sauce, beef stew, chili, ravioli/spaghettios, tea/coffee, and canned milk. We also need paper goods like toilet paper.