



Welcome!

Because we believe that the risen Christ is in our midst, we also believe that we should never place a period where God has placed a comma.

Order of Worship

February 2nd, 2025 | 10:30 am

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

We Gather

Welcome

Prelude

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Jackson/Trentham/arr. Hayes

*Call to Worship

We gather in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Here, in the presence of God, we gather to worship.

Brothers, sisters, let us worship with full voice, with one mind and one heart!

Let us pray to God, "Bless us, Father, as we meet together."

"Bless the singing of Your praise,

the reading of Your Word,

the sharing of our fellowship,

the prayers we will offer in voice and silence.

Bless us, O God, as we worship, and work in us your good and perfect will. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever, Amen!

***Hymn #8 (NCH)**

Praise to the Living God

Call to Confession

You are invited to use the time before service to prepare your heart and mind for worship through prayer and reflection. We kindly ask that all cell phones and media devices be silenced.

Worship Liturgy

Throughout the worship liturgy, you are invited to respond with all of the words in bold.

***Asterisk indicates please rise in body or spirit**

Hymns

are chosen from the "black" *New Century Hymnal* or "blue" *Chalice Hymnal* located in the back of your pew.

Prayer of Confession

Our Father in Heaven, You have created us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in You. Yet we confess that there is often little space in our lives for You, so full as we are of ourselves, our things, our perspectives, and our commitments. Forgive this idolatry that makes such harsh demands on us. Enable us again to trust in You, and help us discover that Your yoke is easy, Your burden light, and Your life abundant. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us Pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

We Hear

First Reading: Jeremiah 1:4-10 (page 698)

Responsive Reading: Psalm 71:1-6

In you, O Lord, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame.

In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me and save me.

Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.

Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.

For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord, from my youth.

From my birth I have leaned upon you, my protector since my mother's womb. My praise is continually of you.

Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 (page 175)

Gospel Reading: Luke 4:21-30 (page 61)

*Gospel Response

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!

Thanks to the following people for helping with service today:

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Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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Sermon

We Respond

***Hymn #332 (NCH)**

As We Gather At Your Table

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Offering

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below; Praise God above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Offertory Prayer**

As we give our gifts, O God, we seek your gifts for the work ahead:

In our mouths: kingdom praises.

In our hearts: kingdom desires.

In our hands: kingdom abundance.

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven!
Amen.**

We Commune

Communion Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth... And so in celebration of your creative and renewing power, we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy,

God of love and majesty

The whole universe speaks of your glory,

O God Most High!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God!

Hosanna in the highest!

Words of Institution

Sunday Mornings

9:15 am - Adult Sunday School

9:15 am - Children's Sunday School

10:30am - Hybrid In-Person and Online Worship

Church Staff

Sam Chamelin, *Pastor*
Mary Ann Driscoll, *Organist*
Jane Sharpe, *Choir Director*
Sabrina Hodge, *Financial Secretary*
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Offering

If you'd like to give towards the mission of St. Mary's UCC, scan the QR code with your phone. Your generosity helps support the mission of our church.



Pastoral Emergencies

Please call the church office or call/text Pastor Sam at 717-309-7680.

Prayer Chain

Contacts:

Belinda Finn or the Church Office

Church Office Hours

Mondays 9 - 1
Wednesdays 9 - 1
Voicemail and email are monitored daily.
410-346-7977

On the night in which he was handed over....In sharing this meal, we live out the mystery of faith:

Christ's death we proclaim.

Christ's resurrection we declare.

Christ's coming we await.

Glory be to you, O God.

Grant that all who share the communion of the body and blood of our risen Savior may be one in Jesus Christ. May we remain faithful in love and hope until the perfect feast with our exalted Savior in the eternal joy of your heavenly realm, where all your children find a place at your table.

Be present with us as we share this meal, and throughout all our lives, that we may know you as the Holy One, who with Christ and the Holy Spirit, lives forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Wine

Call to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The bread has been broken, the cup has been poured, the meal has been shared. Gracious God, we give thanks for bread for the journey, for your wisdom guiding us along the way. May there be friends to share the road as we dare to dream of creation renewed, and hope in the promise of justice and restoration for all. Amen.

***Hymn: #507 (NCH)**

Jesus—The Very Thought to Me

We Are Sent

***Benediction**

***Three-Fold Amen**

***Postlude**

They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

Scholtes/St. Brendan's/arr. Hayes