

It may well be that we will have to repent in this generation. Not merely for the vitriolic words and the violent actions of the bad people, but for the appalling silence and indifference of the good people who sit around and say, "Wait on time."

- Martin Luther King Jr., A Testament of Hope: The Essential Writings and Speeches

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY January 10, 2021

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

PRELUDE "Bourrée" from *The Water Music* G.P. Telemann

INTROIT Come, Holy Spirit

Sarah Sherman, soloist

CALL TO WORSHIP Liz Pruchnicki

HYMN Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

PRAYER OF APPROACH & CONFESSION

Rev. Kluttz

Timeless God, we thankfully sing Your praises!

You cast Light into sin's dark places

And call us Your Beloved.

Forgive us:

When we still linger in the shadows;

When we treat others in hurtful ways;

When we speak ill of Your friends.

As he knelt in the waters of Jordan,

You proclaimed Jesus as your Child,

Pointing to him as the way to You. We praise You!

Forgive us:

When we put ourselves ahead of him;

When we think he is no longer needed;

When we fail to see him in the broken of our world.

Baptized and blessed in Your living waters,

You would have us be Your servants in our time.

Calling us not just in our words but in our actions to praise You.

Forgive us:

When we fail to welcome the stranger;

When we refuse to forgive as we should;

When we believe we are too good to kneel down

And tie the shoes of the lost, the least, the last, the little.

SILENT PRAYER WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: Hear the sound of love poured out.

(The baptismal font is filled. As Christians, we are united in community through the waters of Baptism. Water is poured as a reminder that God claims, forgives, and renews us to live out God's love as a community of faith.)

Leader: O Lord, open our lips.

People: And our mouths will declare Your praise.

Leader: Praise the Lord.

People: The Lord's name be praised.

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.

MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Rev. Kluttz

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

ANTHEM Shepherd Me, Oh God

Sarah Sherman, soloist

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE Luke 3:1-22 Rev. Strednak Singer

SERMON "Snakes, Stones, and Fruit" Rev. Fulp-Eickstaedt

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

HYMN OF RESPONSE Shall We Gather at the River

(verses 1,2 and 4)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Fulp-Eickstaedt

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Allegro" from *The Water Music* G.P. Telemann

DOXOLOGY

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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

Liz Pruchnicki

God who shelters us underwing
Like a mother hen,
Thank You for all of the ways
That You provide comfort, refuge, and blessing!
With gratitude, send us out in service,
That our lives might reflect Your holy light
this day and always!
We lift our prayers to You,
In Jesus' name, Amen.

REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM

Rev. Kluttz & Rev. Fulp-Eickstaedt

HYMN OF SENDING God of Grace and God of Glory

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Gigue" from The Water Music

G.P. Telemann

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