

Order of Worship
3rd Sunday after Epiphany
23 January 2022

Prelude:

Laura Murach

Welcome

Deacon

Opening Prayer:

Holy God, you sent your child, Jesus, to open new ways of understanding Scripture. Our Pilgrim forebears believed that there was “yet more truth” to “break forth” from your “Holy Word.” So we open our hearts to hear anew the word beyond all words. We train our ears to hear the still small voice that arises from the sound of silence. We settle our bodies into a stillness from which the movement of your Spirit arises. Amen.

Hymn

“Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Celtic Worship(video)

[Come Thou Fount \(Official Music Video\) | Celtic Worship](#)

Message for All God’s Children:

Sarah Pradhan

Star Witness

Marilyn Sponzo (video)

Scripture

Deacon

As we hear the words of scripture,
Let us listen in the words for the Word of God.

Luke 4:16-29

The grass withers and the flower fades,
But the Word of God shall stand forever.

Message

“S.T.O.P.”

Pastor Todd

Song: “Take It to the Lord in Prayer”

Aeolians of Oakwood University(video)

[Take It to the Lord in Prayer | Aeolians of Oakwood University](#)

Prayers of the People

Pastor Todd

Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayers.

Disciple’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, now and forever. Amen.

(over)

Closing Song

"I Am the Light of the World"

Laura Murach Chalice#469

Refrain

**I am the light of the world!
You people come and follow me!
If you follow and love
You'll learn the mystery
Of what you were meant to do and be.**

Verse

**When the song of the angels is stilled,
When the star in the sky is gone,
When the magi and the shepherds have found their way home
The work of Christmas is begun**

Verse

**To find the lost and lonely one,
To heal the broken soul with love,
To feed the hungry children with warmth and good food,
To feel the earth below the sky above!**

Verse

**To free the pris'ner from all chains,
To make the powerful care,
To rebuild the nations with strength of goodwill,
To sing to God's children everywhere!**

Verse

**To bring hope to ev'ry task you do,
To dance at a baby's new birth,
To make music in an old person's heart,
And sing to the colors of the earth!**

Charge and Blessing

**Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness;
Be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good;
Render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted;
Support the weak; help the afflicted;
Honor all people; love and serve God;
Rejoicing through the power of the Holy Spirit.
The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God,
And the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen**

Parting Song

Chalice Hymnal#469 (chorus)

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Postlude