

Order of Worship
January 24th 2021 ~ 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements, and Peace

Call to Worship

Happy are we
when our treasures cannot be quantified.
Happy are we
when our knowledge is tempered by mystery.
Happy are we
when our pain is held in the balm of love.
Happy are we
when our delight comes from beyond ourselves.
Amen.

~ written by Katherine Hawker

Hymn of Praise

Create In Me A Clean Heart

Chorus

Create in me a clean heart O Lord my God
And renew a right spirit within me
Create in me a clean heart O Lord my God
And renew a right spirit within me

Verse

Cast me not away from Thy presence O Lord
Take not Thy Holy Spirit from me
Restore to me the joy of Thy salvation
And renew a right spirit within me

Bridge

Create in me a clean heart O Lord my God
And renew a right spirit within me
Lord renew my spirit and restore my soul

Verse

Cast me not away from Thy presence O Lord
Take not Thy Holy Spirit from me
Restore to me the joy of Thy salvation
And renew a right spirit within me

Chorus

Create in me a clean heart O Lord my God
And renew a right spirit within me
Within me

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Opening Prayer

Lord, teach us to pray.
So we might awaken to the wonder of your presence
So we might feel gratitude for your gift of life today
So we might discover your kingdom
as revealed in our sisters and brothers
So we might find safety beneath the shelter of your wings
Lord, teach us to pray
So we might forgive those who have wronged us
So we might lead free from pretense and hypocrisy
So we might trust your perfect plans
and not replace them with our own
So we might love you with our whole hearts,
and love our neighbors as ourselves
Lord, teach us to pray
So the truth of your Word resonates in what we say and sing
So we might prepare a way through the wilderness of chaos and pain
So our eyes are alert and our souls awake to your movement in our midst
So our good work is fruitful
Lord, teach us to pray
Amen.

~ adapted from "Lord Teach Us to Pray: Responsive Reading," by Chuck Fromm and Jeremy Armstrong

Special Music

A Perfect Heart

Reba Rambo & Dona McGuire

Scripture Reading

Jack Paschal, Reader

Matthew 7:24-29
(NRSV)

24 "Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. 25 The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on rock. 26 And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on sand. 27 The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell—and great was its fall!" 28 Now when Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were astounded at his teaching, 29 for he taught them as one having authority, and not as their scribes.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Erratic Living

Senior Pastor Robert de Wetter

Pastoral Prayer

Prayers of the People

Jacqui Horton Forster, Reader

Offertory

Blessed Are

Wayne Watson

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise Him all creatures here below

Praise Him above ye heav'nly host

Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost

Amen

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Communion

Lord'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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Communion Hymn

The Perfect Wisdom Of Our God

Verse 1

The perfect wisdom of our God
Revealed in all the universe
All things created by His hand
And held together at His command
He knows the myst'ries of the seas
The secrets of the stars are His
He guides the planets on their way
And turns the earth through another
day

Verse 2

The matchless wisdom of His ways
That mark the path of righteousness
His word a lamp unto my feet
His Spirit teaching and guiding me
And O the mystery of the cross
That God should suffer for the lost
So that the fool might shame the
wise
And all the glory might go to Christ

Verse 3

O grant me wisdom from above
To pray for peace and cling to love
And teach me humbly to receive
The sun and rain of Your
sovereignty
Each strand of sorrow has a place
Within this tapestry of grace
So through the trials I choose to say
Your perfect will in Your perfect way

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Back Talk

Closing Prayer

In Christ alone my soul finds rest —
In Christ alone my soul —
In Christ alone —
In Christ —
“To you Jesus, my Lord, I lift up my soul...
To you Jesus, my Lord, I am lifted up...
To you Jesus, my Lord...
To you Jesus...
Amen.

– from Soul Shepherding

Blessing

Postlude

All Things New
Ben Fielding & Dean Ussher

Our love in action now begins...

Our Sunday School is next...