

**Order of Worship**  
January 9th 2022 ~ 3rd Sunday after Christmas

**Prelude**

*Prelude and Fugue No.1, Op. 87*  
D. Shostakovich

**Welcome, Announcements, and Peace**

**Call to Worship**

We come to prepare the way;

**The way for Christ –**

the hope of Christ, the peace of Christ –

**to enter our world,**

**to enter our hearts.**

We cry out together in the wilderness:

**The kingdom of heaven has come near.**

We come to be part of the light–

**the light that shines in the darkness.**

~ written by Joanna Harader

**Hymn**

*We Have Come To Join In Worship*

**Verse 1**

We have come to join in worship  
And adore the Lord our God  
Let us come in prayer expecting  
God to speak His mighty Word  
All is vain unless the Spirit  
Of the Holy One comes down  
Christians pray and holy manna  
Will be showered all around

**Verse 2**

See them gather all around you  
Those He bought at such a cost  
See the weary see the hurting  
See the lonely see the lost  
Be His hand and touch the needy  
Be His gospel let it sound  
Be His body and sweet manna  
Will be showered all around

**Verse 3**

Let us love our God supremely  
Let us love each other too  
Let us care for all His people  
Till our God makes all things new  
Christ will call us home to heaven  
At His banquet we'll sit down  
Christ Himself will rise and serve us  
Living manna all around

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**Opening Prayer**

Holy God,  
We long for your peace, and trust in your promise;  
we hear your call to turn toward you,  
to change our lives and welcome you in. Meet us here and fill  
our minds with your wisdom  
and our hearts with your peace,  
that our worship together  
may open us to the challenge  
of your dream of wholeness for all.  
In the Name of the One who is coming, we pray.  
**Amen.**

– written by Rev. Susan A. Blain

**Special Music**

*Come Thou Font of Every Blessing*

## Scripture Reading

Esteban Ferrer, Reader

### **Luke 3:15-22**

#### **NIV – New International Version**

15 The people were waiting expectantly and were all wondering in their hearts if John might possibly be the Messiah. 16 John answered them all, “I baptize you with water. But one who is more powerful than I will come, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. 17 His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.” 18 And with many other words John exhorted the people and proclaimed the good news to them.

19 But when John rebuked Herod the tetrarch because of his marriage to Herodias, his brother’s wife, and all the other evil things he had done, 20 Herod added this to them all: He locked John up in prison.

The Baptism and Genealogy of Jesus

21 When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened 22 and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: “You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Sermon

*Rudders for the Open Sea - Part 1*

Senior Pastor Robert de Wetter

## Pastoral Prayer

## Prayers of the People

Esteban Ferrer, Reader

## Offertory

*My Lord What a Morning*

## 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

*We Are Not Our Own*

Brian Wren

We are not our own. Earth  
forms us, human leaves on  
Nature's growing vine,  
Fruit of many generations,  
seeds of life divine.

Through a human life God finds  
us; dying, living, love is fully  
known,  
And in bread and wine reminds  
us: we are not our own.

And if love's encounters lead us  
on a way uncertain and  
unknown,  
All the saints with prayer  
surround us: we are not alone.

We are not alone. Earth names  
us, past and present, peoples  
near and far,  
Family and friends and  
strangers show us who we are.

Therefore let us make  
thanksgiving, and with justice,  
willing and aware,  
Give to earth and all things  
living, liturgies of care.

Let us be a house of welcome,  
living stone upholding living  
stone,  
Gladly showing all our  
neighbors we are not our own!

## Closing Prayer

Gracious God, give us the courage to begin again — to overlook the difficulties, to overcome the obstacles and to stay open to the moment as best we can. Help us be patient enough to know it takes time to start over, and wise enough to ask for help from friends and family when we need it. As we look to the future, may we reflect on the past and remember the lessons it's taught us. And God, may we always look to You for strength and guidance. **Amen.**

— Abbey Caskets

## Blessing

## Postlude

*Sheep may Safely Graze* from *Cantata BWV 208*

JS Bach

**Our love in action now begins...**

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This Sunday's Special Music is brought to you by  
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