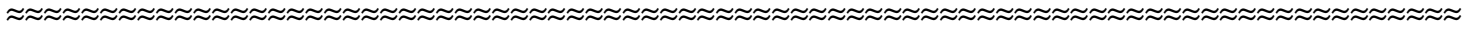




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Worship – 3rd Sunday after Epiphany
Sunday, January 26, 2025

Greeting

Musical Introit

***Call to Worship (From Psalm 19)**

Leader: The Law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple.

People: By them your servants are warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

Leader: Following the ways of the Lord is more valuable than gold and sweeter than honey.

People: Let the words of our mouths and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable to you, O Lord, our rock and our redeemer.

***Opening Prayer**

Eternal Source of Life, be with us this day as we seek to open ourselves to your love and your wholeness. Be with us as we set aside our everyday worries and concerns and concentrate on your forgiveness and loving-kindness. Create in us anew a sense of meaning and purpose, in the Spirit of the Christ. Amen.

***Song of Praise**

“Take Time To Be Holy”

UMH 395

Affirmation of Faith

Gloria Patri

Children’s Time

New Testament Lesson 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

(see addendum below)

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Song of Reflection

Doug Bischoff

Sermon

“Strive For The Greater Gifts”

Rev. Amanda McMurtrey

Song of Response

“O Church Of God, United”

UMH 547

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The 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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Giving Praise to God For Our Blessings

*Doxology

UMH 95

*Benediction & Sending Forth

*Song of Sending Forth *"They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love"* TFWS 2223

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a (CEB)

¹² For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

¹⁴ Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵ If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶ And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸ But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹ If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰ As it is, there are many members yet one body. ²¹ The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." ²² On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³ and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect, ²⁴ whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, ²⁵ that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶ If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

²⁷ Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. ²⁸ And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. ²⁹ Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work powerful deeds? ³⁰ Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? ³¹ But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.