First Sunday after Epiphany
11:00 a.m. January 8, 2023

Entering God's Presence

Welcome and Life in the Community

*Hymn 624 ***I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art*** TOULON

*Expressing Our Joy Reece Humphreys

Leader: Who are you?
People: I am a child of God.
Leader: Who are we?
People: We are children of God, the family of faith.
Leader: What does it mean to be children of God?
People: We belong to God who loves us and calls us God's own.
Leader: May the Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Let us pray. (Congregation seated.)

Prayer of Trust and Confidence

Invitation to Self-Examination and Confession of our Need for God's Forgiveness (unison)

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sin and ask your forgiveness. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. In your loving-kindness, have mercy on us. Create in us a clean heart and renew a right spirit within us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

Time of Silence and Personal Confession

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

*Hymn 39 ***Great Is Thy Faithfulness*** FAITHFULNESS

Psalm 62:5-8 (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 498 in the pew Bible.]

Anthem ***Come, Come Unto Me*** Ken Dosso

Philippians 4:10-13 (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 187-188 in the pew Bible.]

Sermon ***Practicing Hope*** Reece Humphreys

*Affirmation of Faith and ***Gloria Patri*** (No. 581)

Christ Jesus though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient unto death— even death on a Cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen. (Phil. 2:5-11)

Ministry of Prayer [Text prayer requests to: (843) 224-8630]

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Musical Meditation

*At the Presentation ***Doxology*** (No. 606) OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Dedication, concluding with *The Lord's Prayer*

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on eart 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, forever. Amen.

* Hymn 772 ***Live Into Hope*** TRURO

*Benediction and Choral Benediction ***Amen*** (Hymn 574)

*Going Out into the World

*Those that are able, please stand.