# A TIME OF WORSHIP & PRAISE

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

January 21, 2024

#### GATHER

\*Processional Hymn: Seek Ye First

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## **Call to Worship**

God of abundant generosity, you bless us.

We are rich in your grace.

Loving Christ, you bless the broken and the needy, and you come to us.

We are poor in spirit.

Holy Spirit, you rouse us, you open our eyes, you stir us to compassion.

We open the gates of our hearts to you. Come in and be our love.

# **Opening Prayer**

Loving God, thank you for the way you provide for us. Open our eyes to see your kingdom all around us and to seek it above all else. Create in us a generosity of spirit, trusting that you give what we need, as we share your love with others. Be present among us in this space. Amen.

**Hymn of Praise:** God of Grace, God of Glory (vv. 1, 3, 4)

**Kids Minute** 

## ENCOUNTER

Message: Love Your Money

**Scripture**: Luke 16.19-31; 1 Timothy 6.6-12; Psalm 146

**Hymn of Response:** It Is Well with My Soul

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# TRANSFORM

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Offerings of the People

\*Doxology 95

Prayer of Dedication

Lord God, all that we have is yours. Thank you for entrusting it to us. Please receive our offerings as a sign of our love for you and our commitment to the ministry of your church. We offer this in a spirit of joy and pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

#### BLESS

\*Benediction

\*Hymn of Joy: Be Thou My Vision

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#### **Prayer Requests**

Please include these people in your prayers this week:

Missy Hall Karen Sargent's son

Rosie Argabright

Submit prayer requests to the office by Thursday, 9 am to be included here.

# **Announcements**

**Scholarship Applications:** Pick up our Scholarship Guidelines & Applications today! United Methodist college students from Palo Alto County for the 2024-25 academic year are eligible to apply. Paper Applications are due March 1.

**Task Force Grant Applications:** Apply by March 1 for ministry project funding outside our regular budget. Forms are available in the Narthex.

**Newsletter Changes:** Due to postage increases, we will focus on electronic communication alongside the weekly bulletin and just a few newsletters each year. Please sign up with your preference for both newsletters and weekly emails. If you don't have email, don't worry! We will still offer some paper communications!

**Lenten Devotions:** If you would like to contribute a short scripture & reflection for our Lenten Devotional (starting Feb 14!), please pick up a form today. These are due 5 for production.

#### **Coming Up**

- ♦ Mon, Jan 22: Card Club, 12 pm (FLC), Horizons 1pm (FLC), Just for Kix, 6 pm
- ♦ Tue, Jan 23: Card Club, 12 pm (FLC)
- ♦ Wed, Jan 24: Coffee Time, 3 pm, JAM (Wed Worship), 5:30 pm
- ♦ Sun, Jan 28: Adult Sunday School, 9 am; Worship, 10 am

# **Worship Stewards**

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Music:	Rosemary Matthews	Rosemary Matthews
Liturgist:	Sarah Fredrick	Danielle Ditch
AV:	Ditch Family	Hudson Family
Livestream: Paxton Duhn		Paxton Duhn

Acolytes: Steve Horseman & Savannah Strohman Jameson Fehr & Kyson Kogel

Next Week, Jan 28

Offering Shayne Kogel Tony Salas
Counters Steve Hoyman

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