



“They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another,  
‘What is this? A new teaching – with authority!’”

- Mark 1:27

**January 31, 2021**

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# OUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP

January 31, 2021

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

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PRELUDE

Althea Waites

CALL TO WORSHIP

*adapted from Psalm 111*

Leader: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,

**People: In the company of God's people, where all may gather.**

Leader: The Lord is gracious and merciful, and known for faithfulness and love.

**People: Holy and awesome is the name of the Lord; God's praise endures forever.**

\*HYMN #568

*"Christ for the World We Sing"*

Charles Dickerson

**Christ for the world we sing, the world to Christ we bring, with loving zeal;  
The poor and them that mourn, the faint and overborne,  
sin-sick and sorrow-worn, whom Christ doth heal.**

**Christ for the world we sing, the world to Christ we bring, with joyful song;  
The newborn souls, whose days, reclaimed from error's ways,  
Inspired with hope and praise, to Christ belong.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RENEWAL

**Unison: O God of power and majesty, God of mercy and compassion, we need you with us now. We long to hear your word of life. We want to be your people, alive to your presence in our midst. Open our eyes and our ears, that we may experience the fullness of the grace around us. Let us be open to the leading of Christ in all things, that we may grow in your love. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

John Nelson

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Jonathan Chute

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

ANTHEM

*"Where He Leads Me"*

3rd service ensemble

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

April Herron

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.**

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

OFFERTORY

Althea Waites

\*DOXOLOGY

Charles Dickerson

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him all creatures, here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE

Mark 1:21-28

Jesus teaches and heals in the synagogue

John Nelson

SERMON

*"Just Words"*

Jonathan Chute

HYMN #156

*"I Love to Tell the Story"*

Charles Dickerson

**I love to tell the story of unseen things above,  
Of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.  
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;  
It satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.**

**(Refrain) I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,  
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.**

**I love to tell the story, for those who know it best  
Seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest,  
And when in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,  
'Twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long.**

**(Refrain) I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,  
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.**

BENEDICTION AND CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**God be with you till we meet again, by his counsels guide, uphold you,  
With his sheep securely fold you. God be with you till we meet again.**

POSTLUDE

Althea Waites

3<sup>rd</sup> service ensemble:

*Paula Kuno* – guitar/mandolin/vocals, *Teresa James* – piano/flute/vocals

*Michael Starr* – guitar/violin/mandolin/vocals, *Zach Provost* – piano/vocals

*Cory Tramontelli* – bass/vocals, *Jack Sollecito* – percussion/guitar/piano

Rev. Jonathan Chute, Senior Pastor

Rev. Dr. Martha Rowlett, Senior Pastor Emeritus

Myra Ghabrial, Preschool Director

Annette Matsuda, Parish Nurse

Gabby Palacios, Kid Zone/Mid Zone Director

Debra DeLuca, Children's Ministry Director

Kristin Reksc, Youth Ministry Director

Rev. Dr. April Herron, Associate Pastor

Charles Dickerson, III, Music Director

Althea Waites, Organist

Paula Kuno, 3<sup>rd</sup> Service Music

John Fitzgerald, Treasurer

Nicole Lowery Zakman, Church Business Mgr.

Roksolana Vecerek, Exec. Asst. to Pastor

Peggy Roulette, Church Office Admin.

Miguel Portillo, Custodian