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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
PENDLETON, OREGON      JANUARY 24<sup>TH</sup> 2021  
**3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**



**PASTOR – Rev. Jonathan Mitchell**  
**LITURGIST – Sandy Gall**  
**VOCALS – Steve Muller**  
**ORGAN – Sue Nelson**

You are invited to participate with us.  
**Bold words** are spoken together.  
***Bold Italic words*** are sung together.

PRELUDE

*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*

Paul Manz

WELCOME &amp; ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN #410

*God is calling through the whisper*

1. God is calling through the whisper  
of Spirit's deepest sighs,  
through the thrill of sudden beauties  
that can catch us by surprise.  
Flash of lightning, crash of thunder;  
Hush of stillness, rush of wonder:  
God is calling – can you hear?  
God is calling – can you hear?
2. God is calling through the voices  
of our neighbors' urgent prayers,  
through their longing for redemption  
and for rescue from despair.  
Place of hurt or face of needing;  
strident cry or silent pleading:  
God is calling – can you hear?  
God is calling – can you hear?
3. God is calling through the music  
of sublime and human arts,  
through the hymns of earth and angels,  
and the carols of our hearts.  
Lift of joy and gift of singing;  
days and nights our praises bringing:  
God is calling – can you hear?  
God is calling – can you hear?

CALL TO WORSHIP

From Psalm 62

For God alone our souls wait in silence.

**In God alone do our spirits find peace.**

For God alone is our rock and our salvation.

**In God alone does our faith remain unshaken.**

Pour out your hearts before God.

**For God is our refuge and our strength.**

Put your trust in God.

**God's steadfast love endures forever.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

From 1 Cor. 7 and Mark 1:15

Mighty God, the words of your Son echo in our ears:

“The kingdom of God has come near;  
repent, and believe in the good news.”

**How we long to set aside the advice of others  
and put our trust firmly in you.**

How we yearn for the faithfulness of those  
who immediately left their boats to follow Jesus.

**We know our fearful hearts, O God.**

We know how far we are  
from being able to trust you with our very lives.

**We hope to one day have the devotion  
of your faithful followers recounted in scripture,**

Even as we sometimes cannot find the nerve  
to leave familiar paths behind.

**Renew us, Holy One.**

Bless us with your steadfast love,  
that we might truly live as people  
who have seen your kingdom draw near.

(time for silent, personal confession)

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

From Jonah 3 and Ps. 62

Just as God forgave the people of Nineveh  
when they repented and turned from their ways,  
so God will forgive us also,  
when we turn to walk in the paths of life.  
Pour out your hearts before God,  
our refuge and our strength.  
Pour out your hearts and find peace.

Join me in these words of forgiveness:

**By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

#### GLORIA PATRI #581

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:  
world without end. Amen. Amen.***

#### PASSING OF THE PEACE

From Psalm 62

With the joy that comes from waiting silently for God, let us share signs of holy  
peace this morning.

May the peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you!**

ANTHEM *For the Healing of the Nations*

HEBREW LESSON Jonah 3:1-10

GOSPEL LESSON Mark 1:14-20

SERMON Urgent Response

PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN AND 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 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 #546 *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing*

1. Lord, dismiss us with your blessing;  
fill our hearts with joy and peace;  
let us each, your love possessing,  
triumph in redeeming grace.  
O refresh us, O refresh us,  
traveling through this wilderness.
2. Thanks we give and adoration  
for your gospel's joyful sound;  
may the fruits of your salvation  
in our hearts and lives abound.  
Ever faithful, ever faithful  
to your truth may we be found.
3. Savior, when your love shall call us,  
from our struggling pilgrim way,  
let no fear of death appall us,  
glad your summons to obey.  
May we ever, may we ever  
reign with you in endless day.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Healey Willan  
*God Be Praised!*  
*(Gelobt Sei Gott)*