



# Let's Worship!

January 21, 2024—10:30 AM

Third Sunday after Epiphany

A Hybrid Worship and Communion Experience, In-Person and Online

Today's worship team: Music Director - Jayne McDonough. Worship Leader-Beverly Mate

Pastor - Rev. David Wenker Worship Production- Norris Clark.

## WORSHIP YOUR WAY!

So glad you're here today. Enjoy worship with your neighbors and be spiritually energized. Join us in-person in our beautiful, historic Red Brick Church or online: [www.coldspringworship.com](http://www.coldspringworship.com).

*Be Involved*

Be involved in doing good, for at the proper time good things will result if we do not give up.

Galatians 6:9



## WORSHIP PREVIEW

Pastor, Rev. David Wenker's. Message is "Walking with Jesus: Rejection". Rejection hurts no matter where it comes from. We can feel rejection from a job, a friend, a family member, a church. They all hurt. Our natural reaction is either an angry defensive emotional response or a resignation that grows from our low self esteem. Jesus understands as he experienced rejection in the town where he grew up. From the very start of his ministry rejection would be the reaction of many of his followers as well as the religious leaders who felt threatened by his preaching and ministry. We can learn how to deal with rejection by watching Jesus deal with it.

## MUSIC PREVIEW

The opening hymn Blue 455 "All Creatures of Our God and King" The words of the hymn were initially written by St. Francis of Assisi in 1225 in the Canticle of the Sun poem, which was based on Psalm 148. The words were translated into English by William Draper, who at the time was rector of a Church of England parish at Adel near Leeds.

The closing hymn Blue 525 "Here I Am, Lord" by Daniel Schutte. He wrote the song at age 31 when he was studying theology at the Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley. He was requested to compose, on short notice, a piece for the ordination Mass of a deacon, incorporating in the lyrics God's word, of Jesus as the light, and the bread and wine of the Eucharist.

**PRELUDE:** JAYNE McDONOUGH

**Welcome:** Rev. David Wenker

**CALL TO WORSHIP - PSALM 30** (RESPONSIVE) - BEVERLY MATE

I will exalt you, O Lord,  
for you lifted me out of the depths.

**O Lord my God, I called to you for help and  
you healed me.**

Sing to the Lord, you saints of his, praise his  
holy name

**For his anger lasts only a moment, but his  
favor lasts a lifetime; weeping may remain  
for a night, but rejoicing comes in the  
morning.**

**GOD WELCOMES ALL (PLEASE STAND & SING)**

**God welcomes all, strangers and friends;  
God's love is strong and it never ends.**

**MUSIC - ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING,  
BLUE #455**

1. All creatures of our God and King,  
Lift up your voice and with us sing,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

2. Thou rushing wind that art so strong,  
Ye clouds that sail in heaven along,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,  
Ye lights of evening, find a voice!  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

3. Thou flowing water, pure and clear,  
Make music for Thy Lord to hear,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Thou fire so masterful and bright,  
That givest us both warmth and light,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

### CALL TO CONFESSION:

Jesus calls to us: change your hearts and change your lives! Repent, and believe the good news. The mercy and forgiveness we have already received enables us to be honest about the places in our lives in need of transformation. Let us confess our sin together.

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (UNISON)

**We admit our tendency to complain about life. We compare our life to others and complain it is not fair we don't have what**

**others have. We have hopes and dreams that sometimes don't come to pass and we complain you do not care about us. Forgive us when we focus on what is wrong with our life rather than the multitude of gifts you have given us. Forgive our grumbling. Teach us to give thanks. We pray in Jesus name. AMEN**

### **SILENT REFLECTION**

### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON: (RESPONSIVE)**

Friends hear the good news of the gospel.  
The grace of God overflows for us through  
Christ Jesus who came into the world to save  
sinners.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

### **THE GLORIA (PLEASE STAND & SING)**

**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.**

## **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (UNISON):**

**God who creates us and calls to us, by the power of your Holy Spirit, enable us to hear your Word, and embolden us to respond faithfully as we seek to follow Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## **FIRST READING: ISAIAH 53:3-7**

He was despised and rejected by mankind,  
a man of suffering, and familiar with pain.  
Like one from whom people hide their faces  
he was despised, and we held him in low esteem.  
Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering,  
yet we considered him punished by God, stricken by  
him, and afflicted.  
But he was pierced for our transgressions,  
he was crushed for our iniquities;  
the punishment that brought us peace was on him,  
and by his wounds we are healed.  
We all, like sheep, have gone astray,  
each of us has turned to our own way;  
and the Lord has laid on him  
the iniquity of us all.  
He was oppressed and afflicted,  
yet he did not open his mouth;  
he was led like a lamb to the slaughter,  
and as a sheep before its shearers is silent,  
so he did not open his mouth.

## GOSPEL READING: LUKE 4:14-30

### Jesus Rejected at Nazareth

Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside. He was teaching in their synagogues, and everyone praised him.

He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him.

Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:

“The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. He began by saying to them, “Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.”

All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his lips. “Isn’t this Joseph’s son?” they asked.

Jesus said to them, “Surely you will quote this proverb to me: ‘Physician, heal yourself!’ And you will tell me, ‘Do here in your hometown what we have heard that you did in Capernaum.’”

“Truly I tell you,” he continued, “no prophet is

accepted in his hometown. I assure you that there were many widows in Israel in Elijah's time, when the sky was shut for three and a half years and there was a severe famine throughout the land. Yet Elijah was not sent to any of them, but to a widow in Zarephath in the region of Sidon. And there were many in Israel with leprosy in the time of Elisha the prophet, yet not one of them was cleansed—only Naaman the Syrian."

All the people in the synagogue were furious when they heard this. They got up, drove him out of the town, and took him to the brow of the hill on which the town was built, in order to throw him off the cliff. But he walked right through the crowd and went on his way.

## MESSAGE — *"WALKING WITH JESUS, REJECTION"*

PASTOR, REV. DAVID WENKER

## PRAYER AND SILENT REFLECTION

## RECEPTION OF OUR NEW MEMBER, JOHN SAALMAN BY REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - APOSTLES CREED

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ,  
his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,**

**and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of God  
the Father Almighty. From there he will come to  
judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **GREETING ONE ANOTHER AND JOHN SAALMAN**

### **GIFTS OF GRATITUDE**

With open hearts and open hands, we let go of the things that possess us, we offer our gifts to God, and we dedicate our lives in service to Jesus Christ. Freely we have received, now freely let us give.



## THE DOXOLOGY

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

## PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

### COMMUNITY NEWS:



**We will be having a congregational meeting on Sunday February 4, immediately after worship in Price Hall. Lunch will be served and sign up sheets will be in the narthex to coordinate food. This is a very important meeting as we look forward as a congregation to where God is leading us.**



There is a sign up sheet in the narthex, to donate flowers for the chancel, in memory, or in honor, of a loved one. For more information, contact Beverly Mate . (\$20 per vase).

Thank you for supporting the **Deacon's Community Food Collection!** Donations may be dropped off at Price Hall Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

Prayers for: Pam Barsby requests prayer for her husband who has been moved to Assisted Living and Trina who was in an accident and has multiple broken bones. Prayers for Barbara Cain for surgery scheduled & best wishes on their move to assisted living in Washington Twp. Prayers for the family of Jack MacVeigh on his passing; Fred Ferrari, Jr, receiving his 6th & last, chemo treatment; Katie Fanelli with metastatic breast cancer; Beau Westcott requests prayers for his Uncle who recently beat cancer & his Grandmom who just beat cancer for the 2nd time!

Those on hospice care: John Stalford, Bob Fite, Gertrude Hess, Celeste Bashaw.

Those undergoing cancer treatment: Freddie, Jr, Brian, Gerri Mills, Robin B, Mike, Kim, Steve, Rickey, Lorraine, Kate, Candy, Donna and Grover B.

## PRAYER

### 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.**

### FRESH EXPRESSION OF COMMUNITY - BEVERLY MATE

Once we were strangers,  
    **Now we are neighbors.**  
Once we were strangers,  
    **Now we are friends.**

**MUSIC: *HERE I AM, LORD - BLUE #525***

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard My people cry.  
All who dwell in deepest sin  
My hand will save.  
I who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear My light to them?  
Whom shall I send?  
Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard You calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if You lead me.  
I will hold Your people in my heart.

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have borne My people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
Give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak My word to them.  
Whom shall I send?  
Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard You calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if You lead me.  
I will hold Your people in my heart.

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame,

I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide 'Til their hearts be  
satisfied. I will give My life to them.  
Whom shall I send?  
Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard You calling in the night. I will go,  
Lord, if You lead me.  
I will hold Your people in my heart.

**BENEDICTION: REV. DAVID WENKER**

**POSTLUDE: JAYNE McDONOUGH**

So glad you've joined us. Please share your joy and worship experience with others, including your Facebook and Instagram friends. Subscribe to our YouTube channel where you may view worship any time. Inviting someone to join you next week is a great way to be a blessing!

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Notes for Today's Worship:

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1. *God Welcomes All*: CCLI #7102394
2. All Creatures of Our God and King: Francis of Assisi, William H. Draper/  
Ralph Vaughan Williams: CCLI Song #1503
3. *Gloria*: Public Domain
4. *Doxology*: CCLI #4255578
4. Here I Am, Lord: Daniel L. Schutte; CCLI #522161