SOTC Worship January 21, 2024 Third Sunday of Epiphany

GATHERING —

Prelude

Welcome

GATHERING SONG

LISTEN, GOD IS CALLING

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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, 🕂 one God, creator of darkness and light, word of truth, wind sweeping over the waters.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

# Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our rock and refuge,

we pour out our hearts before you. We have known you but have not always loved you. We have wounded one another and sinned against you. We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit dwelling in each of us. Remember your covenant. Renew your creation. Restore us, that we might proclaim your good news to all.

Amen.

Dear friends in Christ, the voice of the Lord is upon the waters. God has spoken: The time of grace is now. In Jesus, the reign of God has come near. By the authority of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are God's beloved.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

# GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. And also with you.

Kyrie

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HYMN OF PRAISE

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Let us pray -

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits you give. May we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

— Word —

STORYTELLING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

In preparation to receive God's Word, we light the Christ candle and pray for illumination from God's word. Take a moment for silent reflection.

READINGS: 1 SAMUEL 3:1-10, PSALM 139:1-6, 13-18, 1 CORINTHIANS 6:12-20

# In response to the readings: Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL: JOHN 1:43-51

# The Gospel is announced: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 1st chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

### After the reading:

The Gospel of our Lord. Praise to you O Christ.

**S**ERMON

Hymn

HERE I AM, LORD

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Apostles Creed

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

## Response to "Lord in your mercy" is "hear our prayer."

 $Sharing \ \text{of the} \ Peace$ 

The peace of Christ be with you always! And also with you!

Congregation is invited to share a sign of peace with others.

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Offering		
Offering Prayer		
Great Thanksgiving		ELW pg. 107
Preface		
Holy, Holy, Holy		ELW pg. 108
Eucharistic Prayer		

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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 and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Together we receive God's gift of love given to us in the sacrament of communion. All are welcome at the table, where Christ is our host.

Receive the bread with open hands, and receive either the wine (red liquid) or juice (clear liquid). If you do not desire to receive communion, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest as an indication to the server.

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Prayer after Communion

Sending —

BLESSING

Sending Song

SEND ME, JESUS

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