TRADITIONAL WORSHIP FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY January 28, 2018 11:00 A.M.

Together in Christ, Reaching Beyond Our Doors.

GATHERING TO PRAISE

Thought for Entering Worship — *Did you know that "Be Not Afraid" appears 366 times in holy scriptures?*

PRELUDE "Trio in C" J.S. Bach

Oak Martin, organ

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, GETTING ACQUAINTED *PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: O God, Gather us in, the tired and the joyful. ALL: Gather us in, the weak and the strong. One: Gather us in, the fearful and the brave. ALL: Gather us in, the young and the old. One: Gather us in, to sing of God's works. ALL: Gather us in, to praise Jesus Christ.

One: Gather us in, to choose Grace over fear. **ALL: Gather us in, to know again the power of God's love.**

*HYMN FOR ENTERING WORSHIP "Gather Us In"

No. 2236

TIME FOR THE CHILD US IN ALL

"Jesus Loves Me"

(congregation sings)

Jesus loves me, this I know. For the Bible tells me so. Little one to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me. The Bible tells me so.

CONNECTING WITH GOD IN PRAYER

CALL TO PRAYER "Goodness is Stronger than Evil" No. 2229

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE (see insert)

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

CHORAL ANTHEM "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me" Thomas Grassi

Jean Coonrod, cello

Jesus, Savior, pilot me, over life's tempestuous sea. Unknown waves before me roll, hiding rock and treacherous shoal.

As a mother stills her child, you can hush the ocean wild; boisterous swells obey thy will when you say to them, "Be still!" Chart and compass came from thee, Jesus, Savior, pilot me. Wondrous sovereign of the sea, Jesus, Savior, pilot me. Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to thy bosom fly, while the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high:

may I hear him say to me, "Fear not, I will pilot thee." Gracious sovereign of the sea, Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

HEARING OF THE GOSPEL

Matthew 17: 1-7

(NT p. 18)

Key verse: Jesus came over and touched them. "Get up," he said. "Don't be afraid."

Leader: The Word of God. All: For the People of God. Leader: Thanks be to God.

Recipe for a Wise Passionate Life:

SERMON "Fear that Energizes"

A CREED OF OUR FAITH (see insert)

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory Hymn "As a Fire is Meant for Burning" No. 2237

*Doxology No. 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

GOING FORTH TO SERVE

*HYMN OF SERVING "Lead On, O Cloud of Presence" No. 2237

*BLESSING

*CHORAL BENEDICTION "Lord, Let Us Now Depart In Peace" Maurice Whitney

*POSTLUDE "Toccata in B minor" Eugene Gigout

Paul Theuerkauff, organ

^{*}Prayer Over the Gifts