

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

January 31, 2016

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Jim Wall

CALL TO WORSHIP Pastor and Congregation

When the world divides us, Come, Holy Spirit, make us one.

When the world calls us orphaned, Come, Holy Spirit, make us a family.

When the world leads us astray, Come, Holy Spirit, call us home.

Come, Holy Spirit, come. Come and fill this place.

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP ... “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying” Congregation

Lord, listen to your children praying; Lord, send Your Spirit in this place.

Lord, listen to your children praying; Send us love, send us power, send us grace.

OPENING PRAYER Pastor

GOSPEL LESSON ... *Luke 4:14-21* Reggie Jackson

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. ¹⁵ He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. ¹⁶ When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷ and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

¹⁸ “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.

**He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,**

to let the oppressed go free,

¹⁹ **to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”**

²⁰ **And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹ Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”**

HYMN ... “Praise Him! Praise Him!” 227

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE Rebecca Blake

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Congregation

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We pray you: in your mercy forgive what we have been, amend what we are, direct what we shall be; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, giving thanks in all circumstances through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the Good News, in the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.

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MORNING PRAYER Rev. Wall

OFFERTORY HYMN ... “Because I Have Been Given Much” 605

OFFERTORY PRAYER Usher

OFFERTORY

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON ... *1 Thessalonians 5:12-24* Reggie Jackson

But we appeal to you, brothers and sisters, to respect those who labor among you, and have charge of you in the Lord and admonish you; ¹³ esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Be at peace among yourselves. ¹⁴ And we urge you, beloved, to admonish the idlers, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with all of them. ¹⁵ See that none of you repays evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to all. ¹⁶ Rejoice always, ¹⁷ pray without ceasing, ¹⁸ give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. ¹⁹ Do not quench the Spirit. ²⁰ Do not despise the words of prophets, ²¹ but test everything; hold fast to what is good; ²² abstain from every form of evil.

²³ **May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. ²⁴ The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do this.**

ANTHEM ... “Make My Life an Alleluia” Choir

SERMON ... *How to Care for Your Pastor* Rev. Wall

CLOSING HYMN... “The Servant Song” 613

BENEDICTION Rev. Wall

POSTLUDE

CALENDAR

TODAY

4:30 p.m. Ushers’ Meeting

5:30 p.m. Choir Practice

WEDNESDAY

6:00 p.m. **Pizza Supper... Please bring desserts**

6:30 p.m. Bible Study and Children/Youth Programs

USHERS

TODAY Jeff Robinson’s Team

NEXT SUNDAY Nancy Ruppert’s Team

PRAYER LIST

Church family: Wayne Abbott, Eddie and Sharon Reynolds, Katelyn Reynolds, Linda McNeill, Rachel McCaskill, Jack Boone, John & Alisa Beard, Larry Wilson, Rodney Loflin, Melissa Nelson, Florence Cagle, Jane Covington, Vera McAlister, Molly Abbott`		
At Home: Helen Greene, Violet Epps, Irene Warner		
Friends and Relatives of: Molly/Wayne Abbott		
	Monnie Jenkins	friend
	Juanita King	friend
	Tony Lawson	friend
	Toni Atcheson	sister
	Cassie Jenkins	granddaughter
	Martha Garner	sister
	Tammy Laprade	sister
John Beard	Pat Jones	brother-in-law
Dave/Barb Buckland	Retha Brooks	Sue Ann's mother
Florence Cagle	James Rorie	friend
	Marshall Bailey	nephew
Jane Covington	Faye	sister
	Pete Thomas	brother-in-law
	Lee Kasik	grandson-in-law
Tina Cripps	Lee Hurley	cousin
	Wes Key	uncle
	Shelly Hawthorne	friend
Tim and Tammy Dunn	Todd Reece	friend
	Scott Reece	friend
	Lynn Saunders	cousin
Betty Green	Tom Nelson	brother-in-law
Paul/Thelma Hussey	Janie Rumbly	sister
	Meryl Johnson	sister-in-law
	Mildred Hunsucker	friend
Reggie Jackson	Marian Jackson	mother
Mary James	Benny McBride	friend
	Bob & Sue Moore	niece/ husband
	Andy Spivey	son-in-law
Butch/Nancy Jenkins	Sylvia Long	friend
	Amy Wilson	friend
Candy Loflin	Cristie Thomas	friend
	Goldie Loflin	
	Beth Holt	
Mabel Ann Luther	Wanda Pierce	daughter
Max/Jane Luquire	Ray Barrett	brother-in-law
	Jo Brooks	friend
	Iris Luquire	sister-in-law
Harold Lynthacum	Verna Hancock	friend
Barbara Lynthacum	J.D. Thompson	nephew
	Charles Thompson	nephew
	Melissa Green	daughter
Jean Maness	Helen Mabe	aunt
	Carol Luther	friend
Janet Maness	Polly King	friend
	Virginia Long	friend
Sylvia McAlister	Tammy Parker	friend
Rachel McCaskill	Marsha Norris	grand-daughter
	Kay Rush	daughter
Pat/Bob Morgan	Jesse Wallace	friend
Jeff Robinson	June Spears	friend
	Ralph McIntyre	friend
Nancy Ruppert	Marie Spoon	sister
Service Personnel: Devin Hurley, Mark Davis, Dylan McCaskill, Christian Rush, Seth Spivey, Garrett Wallace, Chris Stuart		

DEACON OF THE MONTH...Dave Buckland