

Third Sunday After the Epiphany

January 23, 2022

## *GATHERING*

Announcements and Greeting

*Prelude:* Variations on “Foundation” Robert Lau

Invocation

*\*Call To Worship*

Leader: Jesus said:

**People:** Those who find their life will lose it,

Leader: and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

**People:** O God, we come to find our lives in you.

Leader: The Scriptures declare to us:

**People:** In Christ God was reconciling the world to himself,

Leader: not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us.

**People:** O God, we come to be reconciled to you and one another.

**All:** Come, Let us worship God! *Matthew 10: 39, 2 Cor. 5:19*

*\*Hymn:* #12 “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” (see download)

Call to Confession

Leader: The proof of God’s amazing love is this:

**People:** While we were sinners Christ died for us.

Leader: Because we have faith in him,

**People:** we dare to approach God with confidence.

Leader: In faith and penitence,

**People:** let us confess our sin before God and one another.

*Rom. 5:8; Heb. 4:16*

*Prayer of Confession (Unison)*

**Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us storms that swirl in our souls. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be**

**changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the calm of the world. and brothers we always remain. Help us to maintain the cords of friendship. Amen.**

*Assurance of Pardon*

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

**People:** I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

Leader: May the God of mercy, who forgives you all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness,

**People:** and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

**All:** Amen!

**\*Response:** In the Lord I’ll be ever thankful; In the Lord I will rejoice! Look to God: do not be afraid. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near. (#654)

## *PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD*

*Anthem:* “I Need Thee Every Hour” Roy Darly

Prayers of the People and Lord’s Prayer

Hymn: #440 “Jesus, Lover of My Soul” (see download)

*Scripture Reading:* Jeremiah 33: 19-26 Matthew 8: 23-27

Sermon: **The Calm and the Storm**

## *RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD*

*\* Affirmation of Faith*

Heidelberg Catechism, Question 1

Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A. That I am not my own,

but belong—

body and soul,

in life and in death—

to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.  
He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,  
and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.  
He also watches over me in such a way  
that not a hair can fall from my head  
without the will of my Father in heaven;  
in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.  
Because I belong to him,  
Christ, by his Holy Spirit,  
assures me of eternal life  
and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready  
from now on to live for him.

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

The Peace of Christ

\*Hymn: #741 "Guide My Feet" (see download)

\*Benediction

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude: "A Mighty Fortress"

David Cherwien

The End of Worship  
The Beginning of Service

\*Those who wish may stand

Rev. Dr. Michael Wilson, Guest Minister  
Mrs. Dianne Yuninger, Organist/Choir Director

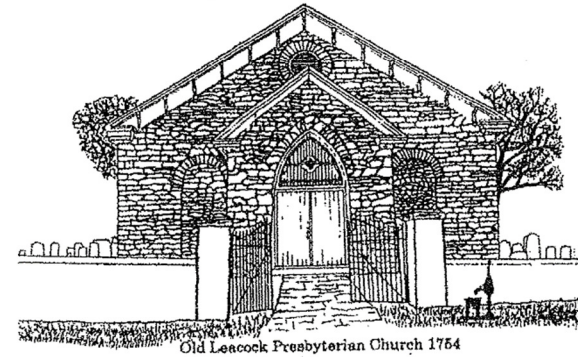
**PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:**

PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK: **Louis & Esta Fisher**

**OFFERING ENVELOPES** for **2022** and the **2021 Statements** are in the narthex ready for pick up. They will be there the whole month of January. Thanks to everyone for your continued support of giving so the Trustees can keep YOUR Churches and buildings in good repair. A Happy New Year to all and please be safe!  
Dave Berkhimer

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