



THE COMMUNITY OF ST. PHILIP AT WORSHIP

JANUARY 27, 2019

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Preparation for Worship

*Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and reach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger:
all are welcome;
all are welcome;
all are welcome in this place.*

-Hymn 301

Tolling of the Hour—II

Greeting

Please sign and pass the friendship folder.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Voluntary

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| I | <i>Sonata No. 6 — Finale: Andante</i>
Op. 65, No. 6 | Felix Mendelssohn
(1809-1847) |
| II | <i>Sonata No. 5 — Allegro maestoso</i>
Op. 65, No. 5 | Felix Mendelssohn |

The grace of God has dawned upon the world
with a healing, a healing for all mankind.

— Titus 2:11

✦ Call to Worship

✦ Hymn 611

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

✦ Prayer of Confession

O Lord our God,
you call us to proclaim the gospel,
but we remain silent in the presence of evil.
You call us to be reconciled to you and one another,
but we are content to live in separation.
You call us to seek the good of all,
but we fail to resist the powers of oppression.
You call us to fight pretensions and injustice,
but we sit idly by,
endangering the lives of people far and near.

Forgive us, O Lord.
Reconcile us to you by the power of your Spirit,
and give us the courage and strength
to be reconciled to others;
through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.

silent prayer

Holy One, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

✦ Declaration of Forgiveness

Believe the Good News. **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

✦ Response

GLORIA (Taizé)



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✦ The Peace

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.**
Signs of peace and reconciliation may be exchanged.

Conversation with Children

*Afterwards, children may stay with their parents, or ages 1-4 may go to child care in Room 106.
Children pre-K through first grade may go to Children's Chapel.*

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

O.T. pgs. 436-437

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. **Thanks be to God!**

Anthem—II

There Shall a Star Come Out of Jacob

Felix Mendelssohn

from *Christmas*, Op. 97

There shall a star come out of Jacob, and a scepter shall rise out of Israel;
With might destroying princes and cities.

— Numbers 24:17

As bright the star of morning gleams,
So Jesus sheddeth glorious beams
of light and consolation.

Thy Word, O Lord,

Radiance darting, Truth imparting,

Gives salvation;

Thine be praise and adoration!

— Philipp Nicolai (1556–1608)

Gospel Reading

Luke 4: 14-21

N.T. p. 61

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

It Is Said

Omar Rouchon

Silence and stillness

✦ Hymn 772

Live into Hope

TRURO

✦ Affirmation of Faith

**We believe in the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
who gathers, protects and cares for the church
through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the
beginning of the world and will do to the end.**

**We believe in one holy, universal Christian church,
the communion of saints called from the entire human family.**

**We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest
in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled
with God and with one another;**

**We believe that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation
for the church of Jesus Christ;
that through the working of God's Spirit it is a binding force,
yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and
sought:**

one which the people of God must continually be built up to attain;

**We believe that this unity must become visible
so that the world may believe that separation, enmity and hatred
between people and groups is sin which Christ has already conquered,
and accordingly that anything which threatens this unity may have no
place in the church and must be resisted;**

**We believe that this unity of the people of God must be manifested and
be active in a variety of ways: in that we love one another;
that we experience, practice and pursue community with one another;
that we are obligated to give ourselves willingly
and joyfully to be of benefit and blessing to one another. Amen.**

Installations—II

Prayers of the People

The 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.

Offering

*Gifts may be given anytime at www.saintphilip.net
or text "SPPC" to 73256 and follow the prompts.*

Offertory Solo—I

O Rest in the Lord
from *Elijah*, Op. 70

Felix Mendelssohn

O rest in the Lord, wait patiently for him,
and he shall give thee thy heart's desires.
Commit thy way unto him, and trust in him,
and fret not thyself because of evil doers.

Offertory Voluntary—II *Koyunbaba*

Carlo Domeniconi
(b. 1947)

✠ Response

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow. Praise
God, all crea - tures high and low. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia! Praise God in Je - sus ful - ly known: Cre -
a - tor, Word, and Spir - it one. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

✦ Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy God, we give of ourselves,
that we might serve your world
and care for the world you have given to us.
**We pray that these gifts of our lives
will serve all of creation,
that in doing so, we may glorify your name. Amen.**

✦ Hymn 295

Go to the World!

SINE NOMINE

✦ Charge and Blessing

Kindly remain in silence during the closing voluntary, or depart very quietly.

✦ Closing Voluntary

Sonata No. 2—Allegro maestoso e vivace Felix Mendelssohn

✦ Indicates worshipers are invited to stand in either body or spirit and, following the benediction, to quietly remain standing for the closing response.

Words in bold type are to be read or sung together.

I - 8:30 a.m. II - 11:00 a.m.

SERVING TODAY

LITURGIST

Steve Carmichael

CHANCEL GUILD

Diana Weiss

GREETERS

Fellowship Committee Members

MUSICIANS

Fiorella Vélez, soloist (I)

St. Philip Choir (II)

Susan McDonald, guitarist (II)

Matthew Dirst, organist (II)

Randall Swanson, organist (I)

and conductor (II)

PASTORS

John W. Wurster

Keatan King

Omar Rouchon

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary are given by Wayne and Sandra Truxillo to the glory of God and in memory of Sandra's brother Emil Runge.

WORSHIP NOTES

Beth Atkinson is being installed as Trustee, Class of 2021. Cathy Patterson is being installed as Elder, Class of 2021.

Today's readings from the Revised Common Lectionary are:

- Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10—*Ezra reads God's law to the people; they weep to hear God's words.*
- Psalm 19—*The heavens tell God's glory; the law of the Lord is perfect.*
- 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a—*Christ's body has many different members; in the Spirit we are one.*
- Luke 4:14-21—*Jesus reads from Isaiah: The Spirit of the Lord is upon me.*

11:00 MUSIC NOTES

Organ music — This morning's **opening voluntary** is a movement from one of Felix Mendelssohn's six organ sonatas. These sturdy works, composed on commission from an English publisher, reminded organists all over Europe of the peculiar ability of German organists to move their feet as quickly as their hands. The fifth of these sonatas ends with a soaring *Allegro maestoso*, whose pedal scales must have impressed Mendelssohn's enthusiastic concert audiences. In formal design this movement is a classic "sonata-allegro," with a striding first theme and a smoother contrasting second theme, both of which work well on the classic "organo pleno" (full organ) sound so beloved of German organist-composers. Our **closing voluntary**, drawn from the same set of six sonatas, is an interior movement built around a snappy rhythmic motive, one of Mendelssohn's most joyful compositional ideas.

Choral music — Today's **choral introit** is by Peter Aston, who was a British composer and conductor, best known for writing a variety of high-quality liturgical choral works, in addition to authoring a series of music theory text books used throughout schools in England for many years. Aston was active as a lay canon at Norwich Cathedral, and for fourteen years he was conductor of the Aldeburgh Festival Singers. • This morning's **choir anthem** "There Shall a Star Come Out of Jacob" is a favorite of choirs throughout the world during the season of Epiphany. It was composed by Felix Mendelssohn as part of his oratorio *Christus*, which was left unfinished at his early death in 1847, and published posthumously in 1852 as his Opus 97. It is believed that the intended focus of *Christus* was to have been the birth, passion, and resurrection of Christ. What remains are just three short pieces from the "birth" section, today's anthem being the third, and no more than 13 pieces in the "passion" section, alternating between recitatives and choruses. Scholars are not yet aware of any remaining manuscripts of pieces intended for the final "resurrection" section of the oratorio.

Guitar music — This morning's **offertory voluntary** is part of a larger suite of pieces by Italian guitarist and composer Carlo Domeniconi, whose compositions include a wide variety of genres and instrumentations. His works explore and borrow from a wide variety of national traditions, including Turkish, Indian, Brazilian, and many others. Among his works inspired by Turkish music, the *Koyunbaba* suite of 1985–86 eventually became Domeniconi's most well-known work, and we are pleased to hear it played by Texas guitarist and friend of St. Philip Susan McDonald this morning.

— Matthew Dirst and Randall Swanson

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Prayer of Confession from the Book of Common Worship, Presbyterian Church (USA)

The Affirmation of Faith is taken from the Confession of Belhar.

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