



4th SUNDAY after the Epiphany

January 28, 2024

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PRELUDE

The Voice

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WELCOME

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Creating God, you made us in the image of your good love. You know what is in us.

All: We open our hearts to your grace.

Leader: Loving Christ, you reach out to us with tender mercy and healing. You set us free.

All: We open our hearts to your grace.

Leader: Life-giving Spirit, you fill us with your mercy and power. You bear us on a journey of grace.

All: We open our hearts to your grace.

Heal us, and make us a healing people, in the name of Christ and the power of your Spirit. Amen.

***HYMN**

Amazing Grace

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OPENING PRAYER

God of Truth, you speak your word and bring us to life. You lay your hand upon us and heal us. You walk with us and show us the way of compassion. We open our hearts to you, to hear your Word, to be shaped by your Word, to be made new by your Word. Bless us, for we are listening. Amen.

THE BASKET

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Healing God, we lay our lives before you:

**all that is, and all that has been,
what is helpful and what is hurtful.**

**We lay open to the light of your grace
all that has distanced us from you and from others,
what we have done, and what we have left undone,
the wounds that led us to these choices**

**and the wounds these choices have caused.
Accept us as we are, we humbly ask you, tender God:
receive our sorrow and disappointment,
heal us, and cast out all evil spirits.
Forgive us and set us free,
so that we may live in your grace alone.**

Silent prayer

SCRIPTURE Mark 1:21-28 Common English Bible

Jesus and his followers went into Capernaum. Immediately on the Sabbath Jesus entered the synagogue and started teaching. The people were amazed by his teaching, for he was teaching them with authority, not like the legal experts. Suddenly, there in the synagogue, a person with an evil spirit screamed, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are. You are the holy one from God."

"Silence!" Jesus said, speaking harshly to the demon. "Come out of him!" The unclean spirit shook him and screamed, then it came out.

Everyone was shaken and questioned among themselves, "What's this? A new teaching with authority! He even commands unclean spirits and they obey him!" Right away the news about him spread throughout the entire region of Galilee.

MESSAGE

Those Voices Inside Your Head

ANTHEM

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PRAYER OF RESPONSE

**We trust in God, Creator of all things,
who is pure compassion,
who loves us unconditionally,
who is present with us in good times and bad,
who is our salvation.**

**We trust in Christ, the embodiment of God's love,
the love and healer of our souls,
who saves us, forgiving our failures,
washing away our betrayals,
who teaches us life's deepest things:
how to pray, how to love,
how to be gentle with each other.**

**We trust in the Holy Spirit, God's power flowing in us,
that comforts the faithful,
empowers us to love as we have been loved,
and joins us together as the Body of Christ.
We believe we are sent in that Spirit
to heal, to forgive, to do justice,
to radiate the love of God, in the name of Christ. Amen.**

PRAYER OF GOD'S 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 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. Amen.**

WORSHIPING GOD THROUGH OUR GIVING

OFFERTORY

Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Gather our gifts, our hearts, our very lives, Loving God, and use them in your work of healing, grace, and hope for all your children. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

*** CLOSING HYMN**

Mighty To Save

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Short People

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TODAY AFTER WORSHIP

Confirmation Class

Administrative Council Meeting

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In the sanctuary or by mail.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS January 28, 2024

CALENDAR OF EVENTS January 29- February 4th

Monday January 29th

AA mtg @ 7:30pm in Fellowship Hall (Room 8)

Tuesday January 30th

Karate @ 5pm in the underground

Bible Study @ 7pm in Pastor's Office

Wednesday January 31st

Bible Study @ 12pm in the pastor's office BYO Lunch

Karate @ 5pm in the underground

Thursday February 1st

Karate @ 5pm in the underground

Friday February 2nd

Friday Morning Prayer @ 7am on Facebook

First Friday Fellowship @ 12pm in Fellowship Hall BYOLunch!

Sunday February 4th

Worship with Holy Communion @ 10am

Prayer and Devotion on Friday Mornings at 7am on Facebook.

Our Facebook page is: UMC.Wayne

Join Pastor Ninabeth for this 30 minute gathering.

You do not have to be a Facebook user to participate.

The words and music in our liturgy, hymns, and songs are by:

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SAVE THE DATE

First Friday Fellowship is for fostering Friendships and Fun!

The next gathering will be on Friday, February 2, at noon, when we will have a Valentine theme- crafts, games, and sharing our love for one another.

All are welcome to join for lunch (BYO)
and a special dessert, provided by Barbara Lehner.

Lent begins on February 14th
Ash Wednesday Service 12pm & 7pm in the Sanctuary

