

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 8, 2017

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Christmas Day

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*Please sign and pass the Friendship Book (“pew pad”) where you can also record any prayer requests. Our prayer is that you will experience the presence of the Living God as we worship together. We invite you to focus your heart and mind in worship.*

*Please silence your cell phones.*

*\* indicates please stand as you are able.*

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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

John McCallum

PRELUDE

“Watchman, Tell Us of the Night”

Organ

*on the Epiphany Carol by Joseph Parry*

CALL TO WORSHIP

John McCallum

**The Steadfast Love of the LORD — Psalm 33:1-22**

- <sup>1</sup> Sing joyfully to the Lord, you righteous;  
it is fitting for the upright to praise him.
- <sup>2</sup> Praise the Lord with the harp;  
make music to him on the ten-stringed lyre.
- <sup>3</sup> Sing to him a new song;  
play skillfully, and shout for joy.
- <sup>4</sup> **For the word of the Lord is right and true;  
he is faithful in all he does.**
- <sup>5</sup> The Lord loves righteousness and justice;  
the earth is full of his unfailing love.
- <sup>6</sup> By the word of the Lord the heavens were made,  
their starry host by the breath of his mouth.
- <sup>8</sup> **Let all the earth fear the Lord;  
let all the people of the world revere and praise him.**
- <sup>9</sup> For he spoke, and it came to be;  
he commanded, and it stood firm.
- <sup>10</sup> The Lord foils the plans of the nations;  
he thwarts the purposes of the peoples.
- <sup>11</sup> But the plans of the Lord stand firm forever,  
the purposes of his heart through all generations.
- <sup>12</sup> **Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord,  
the people he chose for his inheritance.**
- <sup>13</sup> From heaven the Lord looks down

and sees all mankind;  
14 from his dwelling place he watches  
all who live on earth—  
15 he who forms the hearts of all,  
who considers everything they do.  
16 No king is saved by the size of his army;  
no warrior escapes by his great strength.  
17 A horse is a vain hope for deliverance;  
despite all its great strength it cannot save.  
18 **But the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him,  
on those whose hope is in his unfailing love,**  
19 to deliver them from death  
and keep them alive in famine.  
20 We wait in hope for the Lord;  
he is our help and our shield.  
21 In him our hearts rejoice,  
for we trust in his holy name.  
22 **May your unfailing love be with us, Lord,  
even as we put our hope in you.**  
**Let us Praise God and Worship Him!**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:**

**GLORIA PATRI**

*(Hymn #805)*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen, Amen.

**\*SONGS OF WORSHIP:**

**“HOLY, HOLY, HOLY! LORD GOD ALMIGHTY”**

*(Hymn #2)*

**(VERSE 1)**

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

**(VERSE 2)**

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,

casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
which wert and art, and evermore shalt be.

**(VERSE 3)**

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,  
though the eye of sinful flesh thy glory may not see;  
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,  
perfect in power in love and purity.

**(VERSE 4)**

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

**“HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD”**

**(VERSE 1)**

The splendor of the King clothed in majesty  
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice  
He wraps himself in light and darkness tries to hide  
And trembles at his voice and trembles at his voice

**(CHORUS)**

***How great is our God!***  
***Sing with me, how great is our God!***  
***And all will see how great, how great is our God!***

**(VERSE 2)**

And age to age he stands and time is in his hands  
Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End  
The Godhead, three in one, Father, Spirit, Son  
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb

**(REPEAT CHORUS)**

**(BRIDGE)**

*You're the name above all names*  
*You are worthy of all praise*  
*My heart will sing how great is our God*

**(REPEAT CHORUS)**

## **"SING HALLELUJAH"**

### **(VERSE 1)**

Sing hallelujah to the Lord  
*(Sing hallelujah to the Lord)*

Sing hallelujah to the Lord  
*(Sing hallelujah)*

Sing hallelujah, sing hallelujah,  
*(Hallelujah)*

Sing hallelujah to the Lord

### **(VERSE 2)**

Jesus is risen from the dead  
*(Jesus is risen from the dead)*

Jesus is risen from the dead  
*(Jesus is risen)*

Sing hallelujah, sing hallelujah,  
*(Hallelujah)*

Jesus is risen from the dead

### **(VERSE 3)**

Jesus is Lord of heaven and earth  
*(Jesus is Lord of heaven and earth)*

Jesus is Lord of heaven and earth  
*(Jesus is Lord)*

Sing hallelujah, sing hallelujah,  
*(Hallelujah)*

Jesus is Lord of heaven and earth

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**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**Rev. Don Meekhof**

**TIME OF PRAYER**

**Carolyn Stuart**

### **Call to Confession**

Lord, as in the parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector, help us not to be confident of our own righteousness and look down on others as Jesus told the example of two men going up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed: 'God, I thank you that I am

not like other people—robbers, evildoers, adulterers—or even like the tax collector. For I have fasted twice a week and donated to my church faithfully.’ The tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, ‘God, have mercy on me, a sinner.’

Lord hear our prayer of confession and let us remember it was the sinner Tax Collector not the self-righteous Religious man that went home justified before God. Let us also remember that all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.

(taken from Luke 18:9-14)

### **Prayer of Confession**

**Gracious God your Son Jesus Christ reminded us to love you with all our heart, strength, soul and mind but we often stray from this, and to love our neighbors as ourselves but we often have problems loving our neighbors, the Apostle John wrote that we who have material possessions and see a brother/sister in need should have pity on them and help them but we often turn away or think someone else will help. Our sins can be burdensome, too real to hide, and hard to undo. Forgive what we are reluctant to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what leads us to self-condemnation and judgment. 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 light of the world. Amen.**

*[Silent Prayer]*

### **Declaration of Forgiveness**

Because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, in order

that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

(Ephesians 4:2-10)

**SONG OF WORSHIP:**

*please remain seated*

**“BLESSED ASSURANCE, JESUS IS MINE”**

*(Hymn #514)*

**(VERSE 1)**

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!  
O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.  
This is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior all the day long;  
this is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior all the day long.

**(VERSE 2)**

Perfect submission, perfect delight;  
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
angels descending, bring from above,  
echoes of mercy, whispers of love.  
This is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior all the day long;  
this is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior all the day long.

**(VERSE 3)**

Perfect submission, all is at rest,  
I in my Savior am happy and blest,  
watching and waiting, looking above,  
filled with his goodness, lost in his love.  
This is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior all the day long;  
this is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior all the day long.

**Offertory Prayer**

God, you are our shepherd we need nothing else. As our Shepherd you allow us to rest in green pastures and walk by still waters, which renews and refreshes our spirits. You guide us along paths of righteousness and walk with us through shadowed valleys so we are not afraid. Your shepherd's staff comforts us. You set the banquet table for us in the presence of our enemies. There we are anointed with oil and our cup overflows. Goodness and mercy shall never depart from us as we long to dwell in Your house forever. We gratefully give you our gifts of money, time and talents to serve you.

(Based upon Psalm 23)

**\*Doxology**

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

*Bringing our gifts and / or lighting a candle... Please feel free to go to either the front or the rear of the sanctuary.*

*The children are excused at this time to attend Junior Chapel.*

**Offertory****Organ****“Meditation on 'St. Edmund'”**

*on a tune by Arthur S. Sullivan*

**SCRIPTURE READINGS****Pat Tucker****“The Servant of the LORD” Isaiah 42:1–9 (NIV)**

- <sup>1</sup> “Here is my servant, whom I uphold,  
my chosen one in whom I delight;  
I will put my Spirit on him,  
and he will bring justice to the nations.
- <sup>2</sup> He will not shout or cry out,  
or raise his voice in the streets.
- <sup>3</sup> A bruised reed he will not break,  
and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out.

In faithfulness he will bring forth justice;

<sup>4</sup> he will not falter or be discouraged  
till he establishes justice on earth.

In his teaching the islands will put their hope.”

<sup>5</sup> This is what God the Lord says—  
the Creator of the heavens, who stretches them out,  
who spreads out the earth with all that springs from it,  
who gives breath to its people,  
and life to those who walk on it:

<sup>6</sup> “I, the Lord, have called you in righteousness;

I will take hold of your hand.

I will keep you and will make you  
to be a covenant for the people  
and a light for the Gentiles,

<sup>7</sup> to open eyes that are blind,  
to free captives from prison  
and to release from the dungeon those who sit in  
darkness.

<sup>8</sup> “I am the Lord; that is my name!

I will not yield my glory to another  
or my praise to idols.

<sup>9</sup> See, the former things have taken place,  
and new things I declare;

before they spring into being  
I announce them to you.”

**Acts 10:34–43** (NIV)

**Jason Stuart**

<sup>34</sup> Then Peter began to speak: “I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism <sup>35</sup> but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right. <sup>36</sup> You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup> You know what has happened throughout the province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached— <sup>38</sup> how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.



<sup>39</sup> “We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a cross, <sup>40</sup> but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen. <sup>41</sup> He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen—by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup> He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup> All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

**MESSAGE**

**Tom Tiffany**

**“Jesus Wept ... See How He Loved Him (us)”**

Sermon Text: John 11:17-36

**\*SONG OF WORSHIP:**

**“WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS”**

*(Hymn #622)*

**(VERSE 1)**

What a friend we have in Jesus,  
all our sins and griefs to bear!

What a privilege to carry  
everything to God in prayer!  
O what peace we often forfeit,  
O what needless pain we bear,  
all because we do not carry  
everything to God in prayer!

**(VERSE 2)**

Have we trials and temptations?  
Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged;  
take it to the Lord in prayer!  
Can we find a friend so faithful  
who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our every weakness;  
take it to the Lord in prayer!

**(VERSE 3)**

Are we weak and heavy laden,  
cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our refuge—  
take it to the Lord in prayer!  
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?  
Take it to the Lord in prayer!  
In his arms he'll take and shield thee;  
Thou wilt find a solace there.

**BENEDICTION**

**Tom Tiffany**

**POSTLUDE**

**“Celebration”**

**Organ**

*Lani Smith*

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*Please stay after the worship service today for  
Team Meetings in the Fellowship Hall.*

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**In the pulpit today:** Ruling Elder Dr. Tom Tiffany is in the pulpit today. Tom has a PhD in Biochemistry and was board certified in Clinical Chemistry. He served in the healthcare clinical laboratory field for more than forty years. He is a long-time member of Knox Presbyterian Church, receiving his church membership under Rev. Bill Tatum in 1963. Tom graduated from EWSC (now EWU) in 1965 and Oregon State University in 1969. He has served as Ruling Elder and currently is President of the Deacons. He also served on the Committee (Commission) on Ministry for the Presbytery of the Inland Northwest and as chair in 2014. Tom has

completed all requirements for Credentialed Ruling Elder (CRE). He has provided pulpit supply and worship leadership for several churches. He is also currently a Seminary Exam reader from the Presbytery of the Inland Northwest for PCUSA reading exams in Theology and Exegesis. He sits on several advisory boards and two board of directors to include Christ Clinic/Christ Kitchen.