THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Chiming of the Hour

Preparation for Worship

Prelude

Chorale Prelude on *In Dulci Jubilo* (*In Quiet Joy*)

Marcel Dupre (1886-1971)

from Psalm 90

* Call to Worship

God, you've been our home forever;

long before the mountains were born.

Long before you brought earth itself to birth, from "once upon a time" to "kingdom come"—you are God.

Surprise us with love at daybreak;

then we'll skip and dance all the day long.

Make up for the bad times with some good times; we've seen enough evil to last a lifetime.

* Hymn of Praise No. 66

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

ST. DENIO

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; thy justice like mountains high soaring above thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life thou givest, to both great and small; in all life thou livest, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, and wither and perish, but naught changest thee.

Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light, thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; all praises we render: O help us to see that only the splendor of light hideth thee.

* Prayer of Praise

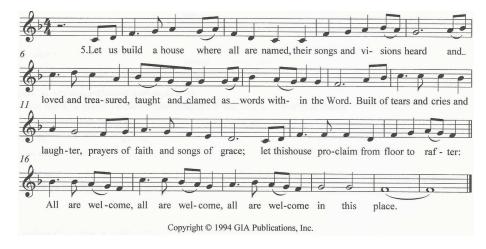
Nancy Hall

Welcome Lia Scholl

Gathering Music

All Are Welcome

words and arrangement by Marty Haugen



Prayers of the People

Hymn of Offering No. 342

Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

PESCADOR DE HOMBRES

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

* Offertory Response

Praise God whose dawn transfigures night

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God whose dawn transfigures night, Whose Daystar shines for us on high. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Whose Spirit brings into our sight, The hope which to our world draws nigh. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

The children may exit to the Children's Room (107B) for playtime.

* Offertory Prayer

Introduction to Our Sacred Text

Lesson from the Gospels

Luke 5:1-11, The Inclusive Bible

One day, Jesus was standing by Lake Gennesaret, and the crowd pressed in on him to hear the word of God. He saw two boats moored by the side of the lake; the fishers had disembarked and were washing their nets. Jesus stepped into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to pull out a short distance from the shore; then, remaining seated, he continued to teach the crowds from the boat.

When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Pull out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch."

Simon answered, "Rabbi, we've been working hard all night long and have caught nothing; but if you say so, I'll lower the nets."

Upon doing so, they caught such a great number of fish that their nets were at the breaking point. They signaled to their mates in the other boat to come and help them, and together they filled the two boats until they both nearly sank.

After Simon saw what happened, he was filled with awe and fell down before Jesus, saying, "Leave me, Rabbi, for I'm a sinner." For Simon and his shipmates were astonished at the size of the catch they had mad, as were James and John, Zebedee's sons, who were Simon's partners.

Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid; from now on you'll fish among humankind." And when they brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

Solo

Invited by God to Tango

Sally Ann Morris, 2014 words by Thomas H. Troeger, b. 1945 Caroline LeDuc, soloist

Sermon Dr. Derek Hicks

* Hymn of Commitment No. 655

Community of Christ

LEONI

Community of Christ, who make the cross your own, live out your creed and risk your life for God alone: the God who wears your face, to whom all worlds belong, whose children are of every race and every song.

Community of Christ, look past the Church's door and see the refugee, the hungry, and the poor. Take hands with the oppressed, the jobless in your street, take towel and water, that you wash your neighbor's feet.

Community of Christ, through whom the word must sound -cry out for justice and for peace the whole world round: disarm the powers that war and all that can destroy, turn bombs to bread, and tears of anguish into joy.

When menace melts away, so shall God's will be done, the climate of the world be peace and Christ its sun; our currency be love and kindliness our law, our food and faith be shared as one for evermore.

We invite you to commit your life to Christ as a disciple and to join our church as a member. You may also wish to reaffirm your faith in Christ or make other commitments. You are welcome to come forward at this time.

Choral Benediction No. 437

Go Now in Peace

Natalie Sleeth, (1976)

* Benediction

Postlude

Winter from The Seasons

Antonio Vivaldi (1678 – 1741)

^{*}Please stand, whether in body or in spirit.

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Sunday, January 22

- 11:00 Worship
- 12:00 Reception in the Narthex
- 12:15 Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 2:30 Administrative Council, Balcony Room

Tuesday, January 24

10:00 Staff Meeting

Wednesday, January 25

- 10:00 Community Office Hours, Church Office
- 5:30 Wednesday Night Supper

Sunday, January 29

- 9:45 Sunday School Classes Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 11:00 Worship
- 12:00 Reception in the Narthex
- 12:15 Chancel Choir Rehearsal

COMMUNITY NEWS

Today is the Third Sunday of Epiphany. We welcome Derek Hicks to the pulpit today. Reverend Dr. Hicks is the Assistant Professor of Religion and Culture at the Wake Forest School of Divinity. He teaches and researches broadly in the areas of African American religion, religion in North America, race, the body, religion and foodways, theory and method in the study of religion, Black and Womanist theologies, and cultural studies. Currently he serves as co-chair of the *Religion and Food Group* at the American Academy of Religion. Dr. Hicks is the author of the book *Reclaiming Spirit in the Black Faith Tradition* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2012). He is currently working on a second monograph entitled *Feeding Flesh and Spirit: Religion, Food, and the Saga of Race in Black America* (under review with UNC Press).

Please note that we now have response cards for all visitors and attendees of Wake Forest Baptist Church. Take a moment to fill out a card to register your attendance and any needs that you have. Feel free to fill out one card per family.

Please join Pastor Lia and our interfaith community this afternoon for a prayer service on this Inaugural weekend. We'll meet at 4:00 at Parkway UCC, 2151 Silas Creek Parkway. Join us as we gather as a diverse community to pray for our nation.

Join us Wednesday evening for supper and fellowship. This week's meal is a casserole. Please email admin@wakeforestbaptist.org or fill out the response card to make a reservation.

College students and young adults are welcome to pancake lunch on the first Sunday of every month. Join us in the Lower Auditorium after worship for pancakes, bacon, fruit, juice and coffee.

Hearing devices and large print hymnals are available. Talk with an usher if you need assistance. Music and lyrics are reprinted with permission of OneLicense # A-719218.

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