

THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP
Second Sunday After Epiphany / Ordinary 2A

BALDWIN UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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PITTSBURGH, PA 15236

Rev. Dr. Robert E. Walkup, Pastor
Mrs. Grace Shearer, Organist & Choir Director
Mr. Tom Yousko, Liturgist
Rev. Dr. James K. Smith, Sr., Pastor Emeritus

11.00 A.M.

January 19, 2020

WE GATHER IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

(Please be seated in silence)

First Organ Prelude

Announcements

Second Organ Prelude

Call to Worship

(Meditation on Psalm 40)

Antiphonal

Leader: Lord, you call us by name to rise from despair,
and enter into the delight of your Presence.

People: *In joy we come to worship our God!*

Leader: We come together like individual threads
woven into a wonderful tapestry; that our
witness may be whole.

People: *In trust we come to worship our God!*

Leader: In Christ, you give us a new song of praise to

sing with all our brothers and sisters, that the world may hear and come to believe.

People: *In hope, let us worship our God!*

THE BODY IS CALLED TOGETHER BY THE SPIRIT

***Hymn**

#131

“Come, Christians, Join and Sing”

***Prayer of the Day**

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you

L: Let us pray.

Leader: Eternal God, your Son, Jesus Christ, now exalted as Lord of all, pours out his gifts on the church. Grant us that unity which your Spirit gives, keep us in the bond of peace, and bring all creation to worship before your throne; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

HIS LIGHT DISPELS OUR DARKNESS

***Call to Confession**

Aware of how easily our lives can fall into such a pattern as to cause us to repeat our foolishness and failures, let us now seek to leave such lives of fear and doubt

behind to follow Jesus into reconciliation and abundant new life.

***Prayer of Confession**

Unison

God of the covenant, in our baptism we die to sin, and rise again to new life to find our place in your living body. Yet, even though you called us to be a light to the peoples, we are more comfortable in the shadows. You gave us spiritual gifts to proclaim your coming kingdom, yet we fear our inadequacy. Redeeming Lord of mercy, remind us of the joy that awaits when we place our trust in you and your never-wavering and never-ending grace. Put a new song of praise on our lips and in our hearts, and guide us into your light that we may show forth your goodness. Hear our prayer for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, in whom we pray, saying: "Our Father.....Amen."

***Silent Prayer**

***Assurance of Pardon**

The God who knew us and claimed us from before the foundations of the world has set his seal upon us and perfects us in all holiness for the sake of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, by whose grace we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

**Gloria Patri
The Peace
Offertory**

#546

- *Organ Response #552
 - *Prayer of Dedication
 - *Doxology #544
 - *Hymn #120
- "Behold the Amazing Gift of Love"*

HIS LIGHT GRANTS US VISION

Prayer of Illumination **Unison**
Great God, your mercy is an unexpected miracle. Help us to believe and obey, that we may be filled with the new life, promised in the power of Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading Pew Bible pg. 679
Isaiah 49:1-7

Second Reading Pew Bible pg. 165
1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Gospel Reading Pew Bible pg. 92
John 1:29-42

Sermon **Rev. Walkup**
"John, John, John"

Affirmation of Faith **Apostles' Creed**
Hymnal pg. 12; using "Holy Spirit"

Prayers of the People

WE BEAR THE LIGHT OF CHRIST TO OTHERS

***Hymn**

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"

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***Charge & Blessing**

***Postlude**

****Please Stand if Able***

WORSHIP TEAM TODAY:

**Jeri Stoehr, Rose Marie Neill,
Vince Wisbar**

WORSHIP TEAM NEXT WEEK:

Dottie Fisher, Bob David, Cheryl David

Bible Readings



- SUNDAY:** "In His Name" John 14:1-14
- MONDAY:** "Inner Strength" Ephesians 3:16-21
- TUESDAY:** "The Blessing of Forgetting" Psalm 103:8-14
- WEDNESDAY:** "Befriending God" Psalm 21:1-7
- THURSDAY:** "Free Up Space" Matthew 11:28-30
- FRIDAY:** "Wrestling With God" Genesis 32:22-30
- SATURDAY:** "Praise God!" Psalm 140:1-6

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: *"(The LORD) lets me rest in grassy meadows; he heads me to restful waters. Psalm 23:2 (CEB)*

Please continue to pray for our sick and shut-ins. Pray for Jay Torrance, Dorothy Williams, Mary Ellen Shenkle, Brenda Torrance, George Briggs, Cheryl Harriet, Jean Beyer, Shirley Hahn, Lynne Smith, Sarah Harriett, Vince Wisbar and Eloise Berglund.



The annual reports for 2019 are now due. Officers, please send to Margie by email, margiebupc@verizon.net or send to the office. Thank you.

The Congregational/Corporate Meeting is

Sunday January 26th following Worship Service. Agenda includes:

- 1.Reception of Annual Report.**
- 2.Election of officers/Class of 2022.**
- 3.Ordnation/Installation of officers Class of 2022.**

Bible Study



Bible Study every Wednesday at 7:00 PM. Everybody is welcome.



If you have favorite hymns that you would like Grace Shearer to play at a church service , write the hymns on the form provided on the hall table and place in the office. Thank you.



The Deacons' Hoagie sale is now underway. Italian and turkey hoagies are available at a cost of \$8.00 each. Deadline for orders is January 26, 2020. Pick-up date is Saturday, February 1, 2020 from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Sign-up sheets are on the hall table. Thank you.