

The Second Sunday after Epiphany  
Sunday, January 15, 2023



Lamb of God mosaic altar,  
little chapel Capella Pinardi, Turin, Italy.

Faith Presbyterian Church  
Order of Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Cat Dodson Goodrich

Joys and Concerns\*\*

Gathering of God's People

Prelude *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart*

arr. Frederick Swann

\*Call to Worship

We gather to listen...

**Our ears are open, ready to hear good news.**

We gather for guidance...

**Our hearts are open, that we might be moved.**

We gather for mutual support...

**Our arms are open, and so are our eyes: to see and to serve God in one another.**

Let us worship God.

\*Please rise in body or in spirit

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

O God, you created us, you know us each by name.

Yet too often we are not truthful with ourselves or with you.

We hide our failings, hold onto shame, and are reluctant to follow when you invite us to “come and see.” Forgive us! Help us offer our full selves to the work that is before us, that we might be part of the new creation you promise is already at hand. Hear now our silent prayers of confession...

Kyrie 576 *Lord, Have Mercy*

SINGAPURA



Lord, have mer - cy.



Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

Assurance of Grace

\*Act of Praise 590 *Hallelujah*

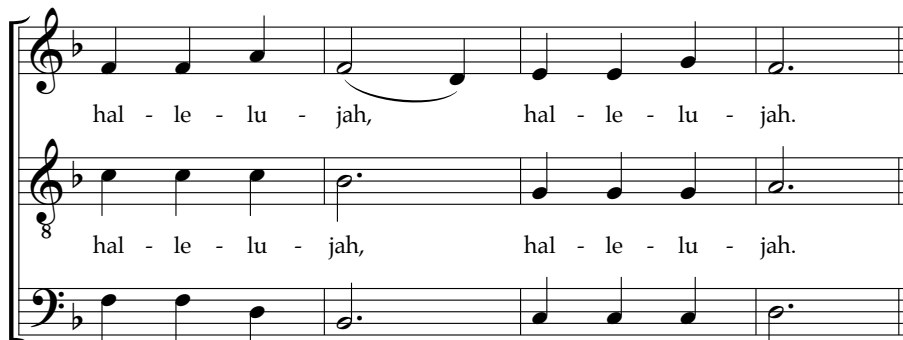
HALLELUJAH



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## Proclamation of the Word

### A Moment with Faith Kids

#### Prayer for Illumination

#### Old Testament Reading Psalm 40:1-11

I waited patiently upon God, who stooped to me and heard my cry.

God lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mirey bog, and set my feet upon a rock and made my footing sure.

God put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in YHWH.

Happy are they who trust in God! they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.

Great things are they that you have done, my God! how great your wonders and your plans for us! There is none who can be compared with you.

Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! but they are more than I can count.

In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure (you have given me ears to hear you);

Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required, and so I said, "Behold, I come."

In the roll of the book it is written concerning me: 'I love to do your will, O my God; your law is deep in my heart.'

I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; behold, I did not restrain my lips; and that, O YHWH, you know. Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;

I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance; I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great congregation.

#### Music *Give Me Jesus*

arr. Mark Hayes

#### Gospel Reading John 1:29-42

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but

the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God." The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!"

The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

This is the word of God, for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

*See for yourself...*

**Rev. Goodrich**

### **Responding to the Word**

**\*Hymn 442** *Just As I Am*

WOODWORTH

**Invitation to the Offering** *If you wish to contribute online, please scan the QR code with your mobile device to be directed to Faith's online giving site.*



**Offertory** *Love Lifted Me*

**Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

**Sending God's People into the World**

**\*Hymn 757** *Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples*

KINGSFOLD

**\*Charge & Benediction**

## Leading Worship Today

**Rev. Cat Dodson Goodrich, Pastor**  
**Dr. Samuel Springer, Minister of Music & Organist**  
*The Chancel Choir*  
**Patrick Baker, Zoom Moderator & PowerPoint**  
**Andy Fuller, Audio/Camera**

**\*\*Joys and Concerns:** We are a community who prays with and for each other. There is a book in the narthex where you may write your joys and concerns to be included in the Prayers of the People and shared in our weekly prayer chain email. If you would like to be added to the prayer chain, please email [faithchurchbalt@gmail.com](mailto:faithchurchbalt@gmail.com).

### This week we pray for:

Diane Borgatti	The people of Ukraine
Ann Scheck	Victims of gun violence
Faith's homebound members	Conrad Slacum

**WELCOME to Faith Presbyterian Church!** If you are visiting with us this morning, we hope you found our worship to be meaningful - your presence enriches our community. If you are seeking a church home, we hope you will return soon so that we might get to know you better. To learn about ways to get engaged in the life of Faith, check out our website, [www.faithpcbalt.org](http://www.faithpcbalt.org), and speak with our pastor, Rev. Cat Goodrich, [cgoodrich@faithpcbalt.org](mailto:cgoodrich@faithpcbalt.org).

**KIDS are welcome at Faith!** Our PRAYGROUND at the front of the sanctuary is for children 6 and younger during worship. There are books and quiet activities to keep hands busy so ears can listen, and it's close to the action so that our youngest members can experience the beauty of worship in a space that's just for them.

### Wednesday Bible Study 11:00 a.m. on Zoom

Join Cat every Wednesday to reflect on the coming Sunday's lectionary passage. All are welcome!

**The Forum:** Faith formation gathering for youth and adults, *Sundays, 9:15 in the Woodmont Room and on Zoom.*

January 15 & 22, the Forum will continue its focus on gun violence and conflict in our city.

Next Sunday, **January 22, Reginald Williams** from the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement will join us to share about the city's group violence reduction strategy.

### January 29-February 19

What is patience? Is it waiting for the passing of time? Is it endurance in the midst of pain and suffering? Is it tolerance or forbearance with self or others? Is it constancy in the face of discouragement? Is it constructive engagement with events or circumstances? Whatever it is,

why is it in such short supply? This Forum will pursue these questions and explore why patience is a concern for faith and social justice. **Arthur Sutherland, PhD**, associate professor of theology at Loyola University will lead the Forum.

**Faith's Book Club** meets the fourth Tuesday of each month for lively discussion of that month's title. For January, we are reading Horse by Geraldine Brooks. "A discarded painting in a junk pile, a skeleton in an attic, and the greatest racehorse in American history: from these strands, [Brooks] braids a sweeping story of spirit, obsession, and injustice..." Join us! **January 24 at 7:00 PM** at the Nesbitts' home, 3913 Juniper Road, 21218.