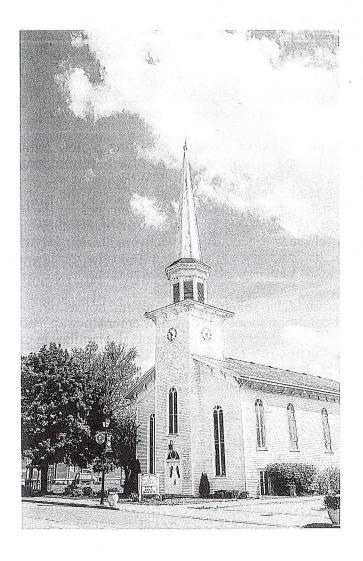
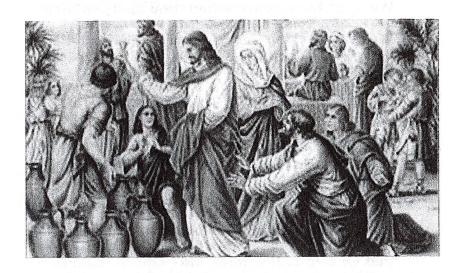
# Thank you to these members who are helping with worship today-

AV: Steve Simpson Greeter & Fellowship: Karen Tripp & Donna Schake







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**Order of Worship** January 15, 2023, 10am 2nd Sunday after Epiphany \*Please stand if you are able.

Prelude

"Bless the Lord" by Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman, arr. by Lloyd Larson

### Welcome & Announcements

### \*Call to Worship

May the light of God's love push back the darkness. We come to the light from the four corners of the earth, from the north, from the south, from the east, and from the west.

But we are all one in Jesus Christ.

We come from many nations and many cultures. But we are all one in Jesus Christ.

We come seeking the light that guides us to life.

But we are all one in Jesus Christ.

Let us lift up our many voices and praise the God of all people.

# \*Opening Hymn #411

"Arise Your Light is Come"

### **Unison Prayer of Confession**

Our Father in heaven, we thank you that you have led us into the light. We thank you for sending the Savior to call us from death to life. We confess that we were dead in sin before we heard his call, but when we heard him, like Lazarus, we arose. Like Lazarus the grave clothes bind us still. Old habits that we cannot throw off, old customs that are so much a part of our lives that hinder our ability to live the new life that Christ calls us to live. Give us strength, to break the bonds; give us courage to live a new life in you; give us faith to believe that with your help we cannot fail. All this we ask in the name of the Savior who has taught us to come to you. Amen.

# **Assurance of Pardon**

This is the message we have heard from God and proclaim to you, that God is light and in God there is no darkness at all. If we walk in the light, as God is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

\*Gloria Patri

\*Passing the Peace

**Moment for All Ages** 

**Unison Prayer for Illumination** 

Our Lord and our God, now as we hear your Word,

fill us with your Spirit.

Soften our hearts that we may delight in your presence. Sharpen our minds that we may discern vour truth. Shape our wills that we may desire your ways. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

# **Scripture Readings**

John 1:29-42

The Lamb of God

29 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! 30 This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' 31 I myself did not know him, but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." 32 And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. 33 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.' 34 And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Chosen One."

The First Disciples of Jesus

35 The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, 36 and as he watched Jesus walk by he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" 37 The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. 38 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?" 39 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. 40 One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. 41 He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). 42 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).

Sermon

"I Have Testified..."

**Hymn of Response #464** 

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Offering \*Doxology

\*Unison Prayer of Dedication

Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift, teach us to render to you all that we have and all that we are, that we may praise you, not with our lips only, but with our whole lives, turning the duties, the sorrows, and the joys of all our days into a living sacrifice to you, through our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Father, as we remember how our Lord Jesus was identified by baptism with John's message of repentance and renewal, we pray for the renewal of humanity today and for the church as a means of renewal. We pray for the welfare of nations and the wisdom of governments, for social justice and for racial harmony. May laws and policies dignify, not degrade, and may the arrival of your kingdom in Jesus be attested by the witness of Christians in every walk of life. We pray for all who suffer loss and who are diminished by illness, by disappointment, or by the attitude of others. Support and strengthen these and all who are in the wilderness facing the testing of what they believe in. We pray also for all who must die soon both those who know it and those who do not. Confirm in every one of us that it is not for this life only that we have hope in Christ, and in the communion of all your baptized people may we find bonds forged between us that endure to all eternity. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord who taught us to pray

\*Closing Song #432

saying these words...

"Song of Hope"

\*Benediction

Postlude

"Concerto No. 2 in G Major" by J.S. Bach, arr. by Hal H. Hopson



# Upcoming Church & Community events to add to your calendars: \*details on each event in your eNews\*

Church Calendar

# Sunday, January 15

10:00 am

Worship Service

11:15 am

Coffee Hour

7:30 pm

A.A. & Al Anon

Monday, January 16

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (Office Closed)

7:00 pm

**Deacon Meeting** 

Wednesday, January 18

1-2:30

Blanket Squares Group

Friday, January 20

7:00 pm

A.A. Meeting

Saturday, January 21

10-3:00 pm

**GV** Handspinners

5-6:30 pm

Community Dinner (Sausage Stew)

# PER CAPITA SUNDAY JANUARY 22, 2023

Per capita is a fixed annual expense of our church to support the work of our Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church USA. We ask you to please make a special contribution to cover this expense. This is a fixed denominational administrative expense of our church and your contribution is GREATLY appreciated anytime in 2023. (\$36.45 per member)

Mark your calendars: Our Annual Meeting will be held following worship on **Sunday**, **February 5, 2023**. The Annual Report will be emailed to all members sometime the week before.





Preparing communion is an important but sometimes overlooked opportunity to participate in the life of the church and serve God. We are in need of additional volunteers to help prepare the elements for communion each month. Please sign up on the volunteer schedule bulletin board in the Welcome Center, or email Courtney in the office if you would like to help.



# Family Promise's First 2023 Baby Is Coming!

In November we asked the Family Promise community to throw a baby shower for a beloved graduate mom, and she was thrilled with your compassionate and generous response!

Another Family Promise mom is expecting a new baby this month. Like November's mom, she has little family support and is estranged from her baby's father. We hope you will play the part of friends and family for her. We've asked the mother to register for baby gifts on Amazon.com. If you click on the button below, it will take you directly to her virtual baby shower wish list. Any purchase you make will be delivered to our Day Center in Canandaigua, and we will get the gifts to the mother in our emergency apartment as soon as we receive them.

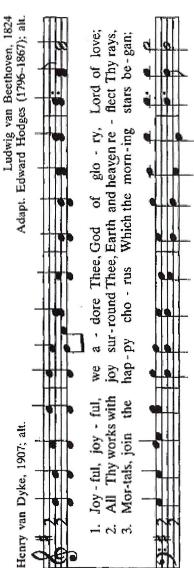
Family Promise is also soliciting furniture and household items in excellent condition to set up **four** new emergency apartments, and we need gas / grocery cards to support the families in our care. Our gift card box is almost empty! Can you help? Thank you as always for your compassionate generosity!

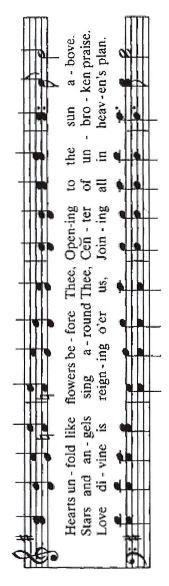


MORNING AND OPENING HYMNS

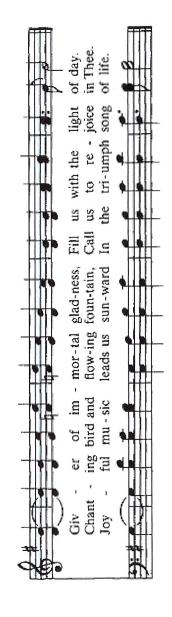
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# Canto de Esperanza Song of Hope

ARGENTINA 11.11.11.11 with refrain

