

“Whoever you are...wherever you are on life’s journey,  
*you are welcome here.*”  
God is Still Speaking

THE REFORMED CHURCH OF THE

*Ascension*

UNITED CHURCH  
OF CHRIST



*An Open and Affirming Congregation*

January 16, 2022

11:00 AM



Esperanza Guevara, Untitled (The Wedding at Cana)

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**Order of Worship**

**PRELUDE**

“Your Unfailing Love, O God” (Connelli-Bernadone)

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

**RECEIVING THE LIGHT**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Leader:** How precious is the steadfast love of God.

**People:** **All people may take refuge in the shadow of God’s embrace.**

**Leader:** God is the fountain of life.

**People:** **In Christ we behold the Light of God.**

*Ps. 36:7,9*

**GATHERING HYMN**

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” *Glory to God 12*

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Almighty God, we confess that we have been led astray by the idols of our world. We have depended on our possessions and have not placed our trust in your grace. We have carelessly consumed the gifts you offer and have failed to be faithful stewards of the earth’s resources. We have sought security in the might of the sword rather than the strength of your Holy Spirit. Forgive us, we pray. Lead us to true repentance that we may serve you faithfully. Through Christ we pray.**

*silent prayer of confession*

# KYRIE

Unison A D E A

1 Ky-ri - e e - le - i - son, ky-ri - e e - le - i - son, ky-ri-  
2 Chri - ste e - le - i - son, Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Chri-

F# Bm E A (A)

e e - le - i - son, ky-ri - e e - le - i - son.  
ste e - le - i - son, ky-ri - e e - le - i - son.

The musical score is for a Kyrie in G major, 3/4 time. It features two parts: a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line has two verses. The piano accompaniment includes chord markings: F# (first measure), Bm (second measure), E (third measure), and A (fourth measure), with a fermata over the final A chord. The tempo is marked 'Unison'.

## DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

### HYMN

“As the Wind Song”

*Glory to God 292*

### THE SCRIPTURE READINGS

Hebrew Lesson Isaiah 62:1-5

Epistle Lesson 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

*please rise*

Gospel Lesson John 2:1-11

Leader: Holy Wisdom

People: Holy Word

### THE SERMON

### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### THE LORD’S PRAYER

*Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.*

*Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done,*

*on earth as it is in heaven.*

*Give us this day our daily bread.*

*Forgive us our sins,*

*as we forgive those who sin against us.*

*Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.*

*For Thine is the kingdom,*

*and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

# THE OFFERING OF OUR TITHES & OURSELVES

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

At the wedding feast at Cana you gladdened the guests with divine generosity, filled to the brim and flowing over. We offer our gifts with grateful hearts. Bless them and our lives to your service, that they may reveal your glory, nurture faith, and manifest the common good. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

## CLOSING HYMN

“Great Is Your Faithfulness” *The New Century Hymnal* 423

## CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

## TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

## POSTLUDE

“Faithfulness and Righteousness” (Durso)

## January Birthdays

1/16-1/22/2022

*Dawn Clayboss (18); Victoria Santana (19);  
Pat Angelucci (22)*

For the month of January, we will continue to worship virtually, via Facebook or YouTube. We will re-access the Covid data later this month and make a decision regarding the month of February. Thank you for your understanding.

Please continue to keep the Rev. Judith Meier and Sally Shaw in your prayers.

### *Questions for Reflection*

The Holy Spirit enlivens each of us with unique gifts that nurture faith and serve the common good. To identify those gifts we can ask ourselves such questions as, When do I feel most alive? What do I love to do? What things, tasks, or actions fill me with a sense of purpose? What am I doing when time seems to stand still? These questions help us discern the Spirit's movement in our lives. Created in the image of God, each of us is uniquely gifted to reveal divine likeness. When our deep joy is united with meaning and purpose, vocation is birthed. How or where is God calling you?

### *Household Prayer: Morning*

Enlivening God, each morning I am awakened by your goodness nudging the earth to life. I am filled with wonder. Your steadfast love extends to the sky, your constancy reaches to the clouds. How precious is your steadfast love! It shines like the dawn, and dewes the desolation of my soul. Manifest in me the gifts of your Spirit that I may rejoice in you as I delight in serving your world this day. Amen.

*Isa. 62:1, 4–5; Ps. 36:5, 7*

### *Household Prayer: Evening*

As evening falls and darkness shuts the day, do not forsake us, O God. Crown the sky with jewels of light that your salvation may burnish the heavens and illumine the earth, and all find refuge in the shadow of your wings. Amen.

*Isa. 62:3–4; Ps. 36:5, 7, 10*



**Your  
steadfast  
love, O Lord,  
extends to  
the heavens,  
your  
faithfulness  
to the clouds.**



*We welcome you to our Community of Faith. We pray that God will speak to you during this worship experience. If you have need of pastoral assistance, we encourage you to contact Pastor Dwayne at the church office number listed below or make an appointment with him today.*

*We welcome children in worship at all times. If you would prefer, childcare is available. Please see one of our ushers. Children's bulletins and crayons are available from the ushers.*

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