

# **HOME WORSHIP**

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"We proclaim God's Word to the world according to the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ and strive to be Christ-like in all that we do."

Joyce K. Allen, Pastor

**January 31, 2021** 

**Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany** 

#### **GATHERING**

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

God of power and might, you sent prophets to your people, calling us back to your covenant, and teaching us your ways. In the fullness of time, you sent us your Son Jesus, teaching with such authority, that our eyes were opened to see your ways anew. Open our hearts and minds that we may understand and proclaim your teachings for all to hear. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

HYMN FOR REFLECTION

451

Be Thou My Vision

#### PRAYING

#### UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we confess that we are an arrogant people – so full of "knowledge" that we hardly have any room for love. We confess that we too often judge when we really need to listen. We confess that we push people away when you call us to welcome them into our communities. We confess that we think only about protecting ourselves when we are challenged to risk everything for others. Lord, forgive us for being more concerned with "being right" than we are with "showing love". Forgive us for demanding uniformity when you call us to celebrate diversity. Guide us, Great God, to live according to your unconditional love. Teach us to see one another as sisters and brothers that we may learn to live as one family. IN the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER p. 895

**PROCLAIMING** 

FIRST LESSON 1 Corinthians 8: 1-13

ANTHEM Be Thou My Vision Cindy Feyler

SECOND LESSON Mark 1: 21-28

SERMON "Practicing What We Teach" Rev. Joyce Allen

RESPONDING

HYMN FOR REFLECTION 572 Pass It On

#### UNISON BENEDICTION

Go now, and heed God's message. Never forget God's wonderful mercy and kindness. Welcome the freedom that is won in truth, but never use your freedom to undermine others. See that your words and actions are worthy of praise. And may God uphold you in a lasting covenant. May Christ Jesus free you from all that would harm you. And may the Holy Spirit nourish you in wisdom and faithfulness. We go in peace to love and serve the Lord Amen.

#### MINISTERS THIS MORNING

GREETERS Judy Clark

Maralena Dropp

Jessica Feyler

ORGANIST Cindy Feyler

TECH SUPPORT Greg Milunich

ADMIN. ASST. Jim Shaffer

CUSTODIAN Paul Lewis

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Upper Rooms: The March through December issues of the daily devotional are in the sanctuary or may be picked up at the office. Donations (\$1). Also, Our Daily Bread March through February.

## **KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

Ogden shut-ins Bob Fagan Dick McKane

Steve Cornell Joanne Stanley

# **RUMMAGE SALE BY APPOINTMENT**

The Rummage Sale is now open by appointment only.

Please call for an appointment:

Judy Clark: (607) 768 - 7301

Donna Church: (919) 279 - 3624



#### NOW TAKING DONATIONS FOR THE RUMMAGE SALE

**What can I donate?** Any good clean items that are NOT clothes or old TV's or computers. We will take books and records and anything else.

Call the Church Office, 723-2637 9am – 2pm to schedule drop off or call Judy Clark: (607) 768 – 7301.

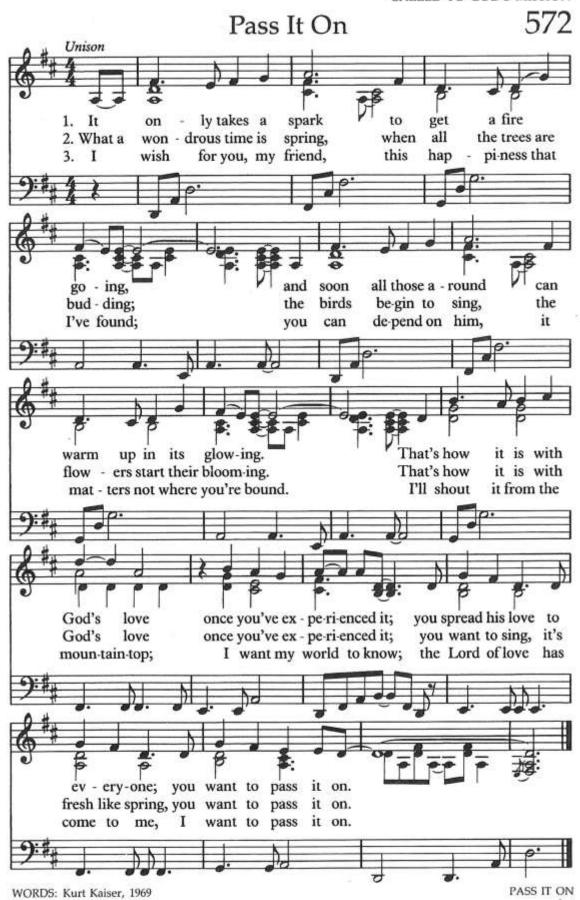
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