

"Why do you call me 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I tell you?" Luke 6:46



Third Sunday after Epiphany

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Mission Statement: *"Ebensburg Presbyterians are Christians giving help and hope to all by sharing God's love."*

GATHERING

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)

Hebrews 10:25

Let us gather for worship,

for this day is holy to the Lord.

The joy of the Lord is our strength and salvation,

and we gather to offer our praise.

In singing and in silence,

in Word and in prayer,

let us walk in the light of the Lord.

Let us come and worship God.

*HYMN# 469 "Morning Has Broken"

CALL TO CONFESSION

Always ready with cleansing love,

God invites our confession,

offering mercy and strength

so that we may start anew.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Christ, our Messiah,

you call us to fish for people,

but we are hesitant to leave our boats.

We are afraid to let go of the things we hoard,

believing they make us secure.

We are afraid to put our trust in you,

afraid to follow, afraid we will fail.

Forgive us.

Transform our fear into faithfulness,

and enable us to walk with you,

that we may be part of your work in the world.

Amen [*silent confession*]

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON: (*responsively*)

Just as Jesus called the disciples,
so Christ calls us.

Forgiven of our sin
and freed to serve,
let us answer Christ's call.

Christ calls us, forgives us, heals us, and teaches us.

Thanks be to God!

*GLORY PATRI

**Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen. Amen.**

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST (*responsively*)

The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also, with you.

(Please share the peace of Christ with those around.)

ANTHEM

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*in unison*)

**Saving God, source of our calling,
your Word is full of power and glory.
Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us
so that we may receive your grace
and live as your beloved children;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

FIRST READING: Amos 6:1-6 Page 747

SECOND READING: Luke 6:6-11 Page 837

SERMON: The Danger of Religion

The Word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God.

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN #376 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" (vs 1-3)

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS (*in unison*)

We Offer Our Talents, Money, and Self to God

**To you, O God, we offer our lives—
our abundance, our poverty,
all that we have, all that we are—
a sign of our great thanksgiving
for the treasure of your grace.
Take and use us for good
in the world that you so love;
we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE AND 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
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not
into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and
the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

— SENDING —

*HYMN#302 "I Danced in the Morning" (vs 1-3)

BLESSING AND CHARGE: (responsively) Romans 15:13

Go in peace to love the Lord your God
with heart and soul and mind and strength,
and to love your neighbor as yourself. **Amen.**

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

***Please stand if you are able**

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Sunday, January 29th—Annual Congregational Meeting: Our Annual Congregational meeting will be held immediately following worship. Please take a printed copy of the booklets for review and bring with you next Sunday.

Pastoral Care: Please feel free to call Pastor Owar Ojulu at 507-304-5958 for any pastoral needs.

FLEECE FABRIC DONATIONS

The Young Disciples are working on a fleece tie blanket for the shut-ins. If you are willing to donate fleece fabric (1.5 – 2 yds) each or make a monetary donation, please see Melissa or Owar.

You may join our good church in one of three ways:

1. **Transfer** from another congregation.
2. **Reaffirm** your faith if you have not been an active church member recently.
3. **Profess** Jesus as Savior and Lord.

Please talk to the pastor or one of the leaders

REDSTONE PRESBYTERY:

Saturday, January 28, 2023 -First Regular Presbyterian meeting of the year (In Person at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Greensburg, 1:00 p.m. This will also be a ZOOM meeting)

Tuesday, May 23, 2023 -Ebensburg Church will be hosting the Presbytery meeting (In Person at 6:00 p.m. This will also be a ZOOM meeting) **FLEECE FABRIC DONATIONS**
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PRAYER LIST

Year 2023 New Prayer Lists begins. If you have any names to add to the Prayer List, please call the church office at 472-6920 or place the names in the Offering Baskets near each of the front entrances. Thank you.

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