

RIVER ROAD CHURCH, BAPTIST

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Third Sunday After Epiphany

January 23, 2022

*As we gather together for worship, please pause for a moment to become aware of God's presence.
Quiet your mind, listen to the music, and prepare to worship God.*

Lighting of the Altar Candles

Elizabeth Wilkinson and Alexander Macturk, Acolytes

Voluntaries

Trio Sonata No. 1 in E flat major, BWV 525
i. [no tempo indication] ii. Adagio

J. S. Bach

Dr. Robert Gallagher, organ

*Hymn 473

For the Beauty of the Earth

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| 1. For the beauty of the earth,
for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies: | Refrain:
Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our hymn of grateful praise. | 2. For the wonder of each hour
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale, and tree and flower,
sun and moon, and stars of light:
(Refrain) |
| 3. For the joy of ear and eye,
for the heart and mind's delight,
for the mystic harmony
linking sense to sound and sight:
(Refrain) | 4. For the joy of human love,
brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth, and friends above,
for all gentle thoughts and mild:
(Refrain) | 5. For thy church that evermore
lifteth holy hands above,
offering up on every shore
her pure sacrifice of love:
(Refrain) |

*Call to Worship

Rev. Dr. David Breckenridge

To hear the word of God proclaimed, we have gathered.

To join our voices in telling the Good News, we have come.

To be reminded of the call of Christ, we are open to hear from God.

Because God created and blessed us, each one, we offer ourselves.

May Christ speak among us even today.

May we have ears to hear.

Welcome, Invocation, and Our 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 trespasses

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 19

Kimberly Fehrs

The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork. Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge. There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard; yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun, which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy, and like a strong man runs its course with joy. Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them; and nothing is hid from its heat. The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the LORD are sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eyes; the fear of

** Please stand, if you are able.*

the LORD is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the LORD are true and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb. Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward. But who can detect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults. Keep back your servant also from the insolent; do not let them have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

*Gloria Patri

Hymn 579

**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.**

*Gospel Lesson

John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

The Gospel of our Lord; **Praise be to you, O Christ.**

Anthem

Cantate Domino

Text: Psalm 149: 1-2

Music: Giuseppe Ottavio Pitoni

Cantate Domino canticum novum;
laus ejus in ecclesia sanctorum.
Laetetur Israël in eo qui fecit eum,
et filii Sion exsultent in rege suo.

Sing unto the Lord a new song,
and his praise in the congregation of saints.
Let Israel rejoice in him that made him:
let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Dr. David Breckenridge

*Hymn of Devotion 267

All Things Bright and Beautiful

ROYAL OAK

Refrain:

All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful,
the Lord God made them all.

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| 1. Each little flower that opens,
each little bird that sings,
God made their glowing colors;
God made their tiny wings.
(Refrain) | 2. The purple-headed mountain,
the river running by,
the sunset, and the morning
that brightens up the sky:
(Refrain) |
| 3. The cold wind in the winter,
the pleasant summer sun,
the ripe fruits in the garden,
God made them every one.
(Refrain) | 4. God gave us eyes to see them,
and lips that we might tell
how great is God Almighty,
who has made all things well.
(Refrain) |

*Offertory Sentences

Rev. Dr. David Breckenridge

Anthem at Offertory

He Came to Us

Text: Albert Schweitzer, Philipp Nicolai

Music: Jane Marshall

He comes to us as One unknown, without a name, as of old, by the lakeside He came to those who knew Him not. He speaks to us, He speaks the same word: "Follow! Follow thou me!" and sets us to the tasks which He has to fulfill for our time. He commands. And to those who obey Him, whether they be wise or simple, He will reveal Himself in the toils, the conflicts, the sufferings which they shall pass through in His fellowship, and, as an ineffable mystery, they shall learn in their own experience Who He is.

O Morning Star, how clear and bright,
your beam shines forth in truth and light!
My Sovereign meek and lowly!
O Root of Jesse, Promised One,
my God and Ruler, you have won
my heart to serve you solely!
You are holy,
great and glorious, all-victorious,
Rich in blessing,
rule and might o'er all possessing.

*Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Children in grades 1-3 may meet Mrs. Sandy Rooney
at the front of the Sanctuary, on the pulpit side, to continue worship in the Chapel.*

Sermon

Has the Wine Run Out?

Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

Time of Reflection and Response

*Hymn 262

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

NATIONAL HYMN

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| 1. God of the ages, whose almighty hand
leads forth in beauty all the starry band
of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
our grateful songs before thy throne arise. | 2. Thy love divine hath led us in the past.
In this free land by thee our lot is cast.
Be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay:
thy word our law, thy paths our chosen way. |
| 3. From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence,
be thy strong arm our ever sure defense.
Thy true religion in our hearts increase.
Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace. | 4. Refresh thy people on their toilsome way.
Lead us from night to never-ending day.
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine. |

*Benediction

Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

Extinguishing of the Altar Candles

Voluntary

iii. Allegro (from Trio Sonata No. 1, BWV 525)

J. S. Bach

The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of our ministers and church staff who have worked tirelessly to keep us connected during the pandemic.

We extend Christian sympathy to Fred Redford upon the death of his wife, Maxine Redford, on January 14, 2022. A memorial service will be held on Sunday, February 6 at 2:00 p.m. in the chapel.

We are grateful for your continued generosity to God through our church ministry. You may give securely online at rcb.org/give-online or by mailing a check. Thank you for your faithfulness.

Please offer your prayers for Rev. Marnie Fisher-Ingram as she begins a time of sabbatical on January 25. During this time she will be nurturing her own relationship with God, spending much time outdoors, reading specially selected materials, and quieting herself from the normal distractions. The Board of Christian Education and Spiritual Formation is available to you as are other staff ministers. Please reach out to Dr. Glaze or Diane Shoemake, Board Chair, if you have needs that cannot wait.

A Church Business Meeting, to include discussion and a vote upon the Finance Committee report and budget recommendation, will be held **today immediately following worship in the sanctuary and via the Zoom videoconference platform**. The Zoom waiting room will open shortly after worship concludes to allow access to the meeting, with the business meeting beginning at noon. Please remember that we need a quorum of 100 to be able to conduct the meeting.

You're Invited to A Weekend of Wonder, February 25-27—a churchwide retreat for children, youth, and adults. The theme for this gathering is *wonder*, and it will be designed to help us reconnect, or maybe connect for the first time, with the astonishment and awe that comes with following our marvelous God. The weekend will consist of segments for the whole community and some times that are age specific. In addition, there will be topics of study and activities that you get to select based on your own interests. Learn more and register your family at rrcb.org/wow.

2022 Altar Flower Calendar is now available. The cost of the flowers is \$90. **Immediate date available is March 13**, as well as dates throughout the year. You can also sign up by calling Betsy Lowery, or online at rrcb.org/flowers, and Betsy will mail you a letter of explanation and the form needed for your wording.

At the present time, masks are required while in the church building. We thank you for your understanding.

Sun, Jan 23	Worship , 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary and rrcb.org/live Church Business Meeting , 12:00 p.m., Sanctuary (Zoom option available) Children's Choir: Pre-K-1st Grade , 3:45 p.m., Youth Rehearsal Room Children's Choir: Second-5th Grade , 3:45 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room Children's Activity , 4:15 p.m., UC 232 River Road Camerata , 4:30 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room Chancel Bell Choir Rehearsal , 5:00 p.m., Sanctuary Youth Choir , 5:15 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room Youth Group , 5:45 p.m., Youth Area
Mon, Jan 24	Women's Bible Study: Joyful Hearts , 9:30 a.m., Reception Room (Zoom option available) Stephen Ministry , 4:30 p.m., LC 102 (Zoom option available) Yoga , 5:00 p.m., Assembly Room
Tue, Jan 25	River Road Basketball , 6:45 p.m., Quioccasin Middle School
Wed, Jan 26	Men's Group: The Huddle , 8:00 a.m., Reception Room Chancel Choir Rehearsal , 7:15 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room
Thu, Jan 27	FIXERS , 8:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall
Sat, Jan 29	Recreation: K-5th Grade , 1:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

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