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3RD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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Jesus Preaching in the Present, Rottne, Sweden

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Pieces of today's liturgy are from: *Book of Common Worship* (PCUSA);
Call to Worship, Lectionary Aids; Presbyterian Outlook, Teri Ott.

~ GATHERING ~

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, to bring good news to the poor, release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free. ~ Luke 4:18

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (*Luke 4:18,21*)

Jesus said: The Spirit of the Lord is upon me.

May the word of God be fulfilled among us.

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (*based on Psalm 19*)

The heavens are telling the glory of the Holy One,
and the earth proclaims God's creation.

The law of the Holy One is perfect, reviving the soul.

The decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple.

The precepts of the Holy One are right, rejoicing the heart.

The commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes.

The fear of the Holy One is pure, enduring forever.

The ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, even the finest gold.

Sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.

Come, let us worship God.

HYMN

LIVE INTO HOPE

GTG #772

Musica Sacra; Text by Jane Parker Huber

TRURO

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

ISAIAH BECOMES GOD'S MESSENGER

from *Children of God Storybook Bible* by Desmond Tutu

POURING OF THE BAPTISMAL WATERS

All: May God be with you there. Kids: May God be with you here.

Children are dismissed to Sunday School.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Holy God, we confess that we have wandered from your light. We follow paths of self-indulgence, instead of focusing on our need of you. We passively accept the suffering of the world, expecting others to stand up and work for the change we would like to see. Lord, in your strength, renew us and compel us by your invitation that we may work to pursue your justice and mercy for all people, sharing your light in ways great and small. Amen. [Silent Confession]

***RESPONSE**

LORD, HAVE MERCY

GTG #551

American folk melody, arr. Richard Proulx

LAND OF REST

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

May the God of mercy, the Lord of strength, forgive us all our sins,
and the Holy Spirit keep us in new life.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

RESPONSE

GLORY TO GOD

GTG #583

by Jacques Berthier

GLORIA (TAIZÉ)

~ THE WORD ~

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (*from Psalm 19*)

HEBREW BIBLE

ISAIAH 58:1, 6-9; 61:1, 7-9

NRSV

GOSPEL LESSON

LUKE 4:14-21

NRSV

Hear what the Holy Spirit is telling God's people.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Wigger

RESPONSE

AMEN

GTG #601

Anon. Danish

~ **RESPONDING TO THE WORD** ~

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*The Nicene Creed*)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

***INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

***RESPONSE**

DOXOLOGY

GTG #606

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

~ **SENDING** ~

HYMN

WE ARE ONE IN THE SPIRIT

GTG #300

by Peter Scholtes (THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE