Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church Classic Worship, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. January 29, 2023

Please turn off or silence all cell phones prior to the service. The asterisk (*) indicates to stand, as you are able.

WELCOME Dr. John Robbins

OPENING VOLUNTARY Préambule Louis Vierne

* CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 66: 1-2, 4) Dr. Jeffery Hampton

Pastor: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise.

People: All the earth worships you,

they sing praises to you: sing praises to your name.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 89 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee HYMN TO JOY

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostles' Creed)

(9:00) Rev. Kathleen McMurray (11:00) Rev. Abbey Maynard

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,

* GLORIA PATRI 70 MEINEKE

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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.

* FIRST LESSON

Matthew 3:13-17

This is the Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM O How Amiable Ralph Vaughan Williams
Chancel Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Jay Clark

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

God of light, we have been so blind when the truth has been so clear.

When we could have sensed the Spirit leading, we missed the way.

Lord, give us the kind of faith that trusts when we cannot see, through the bright

Morning Star of our faith, Jesus Christ, the Savior, and in whose name we pray:

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 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.

CHORAL AMEN

GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERING

Dr. Hampton

OFFERTORY My Soul's Been Anchored in the Lord arr. Florence P. Price

Charles Holloway, soloist

* DOXOLOGY 95 OLD 100th

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.

* **HYMN 420** Breathe on Me, Breath of God TRENTHAM

* SCRIPTURE LESSON Ezekiel 37:1-14 Dr. Robbins

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* GREETING

SERMON Bishop Laura Merrill

* CLOSING HYMN 383 This Is a Day of New Beginnings

(Verses 1-4)

BEGINNINGS

* WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

We rejoice to recognize you as a member of Christ's holy church, and we welcome you to Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church. With you we renew our vows to uphold it with our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness.

* BENEDICTION Dr. Robbins

* CLOSING VOLUNTARY Grand Chœur Théodore Dubois

Communion is available in the Chapel following this service.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Bishop Laura Merrill, Arkansas Conference
Dr. John Robbins, Senior Pastor
Rev. Jay Clark, Executive Pastor
Dr. Jeffery Hampton, Pastor, Caring Ministries
Rev. Kathleen McMurray, Pastor, Connecting Ministries & Worship
Rev. Abbey Maynard; Pastor, Community Ministries
Dr. Frode Gundersen, Director of Music, Arts & Worship
Sungyun Kim, Associate Music Director & Organist

ACOLYTES

(9:00) Clark Irwin & John Willis (11:00) Andrew Duke & Tucker Norton

USHERS

(9:00) Geoff Gwinn *(Lead),* Lee Archer, Nancy Archer, Harryette Shue (11:00) John Jones *(Lead),* Jennie Cole, Jim Moody, Jan Sullivan

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The Sanctuary flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Jim Monk by John and Sylvia Borchert.

COLUMBARIUM FLOWERS

The Columbarium Garden flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Lewis Dillahunty by the Dillahunty family.