



Service for Worship
February 2, 2025 ~ 11:00 am
4th Sunday after Epiphany

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Chimes of the Trinity

Greeting

Gathering Music

“I Love You, Lord”

Laurie Klein

Call to Worship

Called by God, we have come to worship.

Called by Christ, we have come to follow.

Called by the Spirit, we have come to rejoice.

Called together, we eagerly await Your Word.

****Choral Response**

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

The choir sings once, the congregation sings once

No. 804

MARION

Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

Opening Prayer

Faithful God, we gather together to praise Your name and to experience Your deep, abiding love. You are the one who has gathered us here. You have called us from our busy days, our ordinary moments; called us in the midst of our joys and sorrows. Even now, You call us to step outside of our comfort zones into the adventure of following You. We aren't sure this is a good idea! We are unsure of our safety, even knowing that You go with us! Calm our fears and give us the courage to take that risk, that step of faith, to go all in for You. We ask this blessing in Jesus' name. Amen.

****Opening Hymn of Praise**

“Will You Come and Follow Me”

No. 726

KELVINGROVE

Confession of Sin

Master, we have worked all day and night, for many months and years. We yearn for a heavy catch, a full church, an abundant feast. Forgive us God, when we are too tired to cast our nets one time; when we are too stubborn to do things a little differently. Have mercy on us, when we are too afraid to dive into deep waters and take a risk. Grant us grace, that we may proclaim Your word, work for Your kingdom, and trust Your promises. Amen

Assurance of Pardon

Sharing the Peace of Christ

****Peace Response**

“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”

No. 729

Vs. 4

I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

**Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart; Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart, Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.**

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Welcome the Children

Scripture Reading

Ezekiel 47:1-12

The Word of God for the People of God; thanks be to God.

Scripture Reading

Luke 5:1-11

Message

“Exceeding Expectations”

Pastor Carrie

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

All are welcome here.

****Communion Hymn**

“You Are My Strength When I Am Weak”

No. 519
JERNIGAN

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Anthem

“O Jesus, I have Promised”

No. 724
ANGEL’S STORY

Closing Prayer 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Offering of our Gifts to God

****Offering Response**

“Glory Be to the Father”

No. 581
GLORIA PATRI

Prayer of Dedication

****Hymn for Sending**

“Somebody’s Knocking at Your Door”

No. 728
SOMEBODY’S KNOCKIN’

Benediction

****Sending Response** “Somebody’s Knocking at Your Door”
Refrain only, sung twice

No. 728
SOMEBODY’S KNOCKIN’

Postlude “O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

William Croft

****Please rise in body or Spirit.**

Worship leaders:

Rev. Carrie Evans, Pastor; Rev. Bob Lee, Eucharist Minister;
Kathleen Vigil, Music Director; Florence Aquilina, Pianist;
Doug Becken, Bob Prunty and Chancel Choir, Musicians;
Paul Aswell and Laura Adams, Liturgists;
Leslie Friedrich and Rita Wissinger, Ushers;
Blake and Luke Bryan, Acolytes; Chloe Bryan, Baptismal Water;
James Bates, Chimes;
Pat Gauck and Nancy Fallen, Nursery;
Laura Nettles, Children’s Message;
Sherrill Sykes, Deacon of the Month
Suzanne Hays, Elder of the Month

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in memory of Mim Bethards, on what would be her 91st birthday, by Leslie Friedrich.

Welcome Home! We are so grateful that you have joined us for worship. If you are a guest or visitor, we are delighted to welcome you. So that we can connect with you, please fill out one of the Welcome Cards in the pew racks and place it in the offering box in the narthex. Please take a welcome bag so you can learn more about SPC and feel free to reach out to our pastor with questions!



Offering – In response to the gospel we offer our gifts to God. Online giving is also available on our website. Thank you for your generosity to SPC’s mission and ministry here and around the world.

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