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**John 1:41**

**Grace Presbyterian Church**

**Fort Wayne, IN**

**January 19, 2025**

**The Second Sunday of Epiphany**

**Community Worship on Zoom – Live Stream/Replay on Facebook**

## Sunday Service – January 19, 2025

*How can we pray for you? Let us know in the Zoom/Facebook Chat!*

*We invite you to join in the liturgy by speaking the parts in **\*BOLD\*** with us from your homes!*

*10:15 – Zoom Meeting Starts ~ ~ ~ 10:20 – Facebook Live Stream Starts*

**10:30 – Live Prelude Starts**      *I'd Rather Have Jesus* by Shea

### Welcome

#### Call to Worship –

Come and see the works of God,  
**God's awesome deeds among us.**

The invitation is given to every person by Jesus Christ:

**"Come to me! Follow me! Be my disciples!"**

In the name of Christ,

**we accept the invitation to discipleship.**

In the name of Christ,

**we come to worship and praise God.**

Come, let us worship together

**and share our witness of God's living presence in the world.**

Opening Hymn #722 “Lord, Speak to Me, That I may Speak”

#### Call to Confession –

If it was easy to follow Jesus, we would not need to ask for forgiveness.

But it is tough—tough to be grace-full, tough to be loving. Tough to be forgiving.

Yet whatever we do, God loves us enough to forgive us. Let us pray together, saying,

#### Prayer of Confession –

Faithful God, you call us to be saints, but we are more comfortable with the role of sinner; you call us to be your servants, but we worry that we lack the skills to do your work; you put a new song of praise in our mouths, but we

stumble on unfamiliar words; you show us the work to be tackled, but we insist we have more important things to do. Put your song on our lips and in our hearts, and remind us of the joy that awaits us when we put our trust in you. Guide us into the light of your unwavering, never-ending, and grace-filled love. Amen.

*Time for silent confession*

### **Assurance of Pardon —**

"Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven by grace! With great joy, we are made alive! Dare to live fully the life to which God calls you.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Song of Assurance #581 "Gloria Patri"**

### **Passing the Peace**

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The Peace and Love of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you!**

Please take a moment to greet your neighbor and others with the peace of Christ.

### **Children's Message**

### **Time for Music & Meditation**

### **Prayer for Illumination**

Let us Pray: O God, you spoke your word and revealed your good news in Jesus, the Christ. Fill all creation with that word again, so that by proclaiming your joyful promises to all nations and singing of your glorious hope to all peoples, we may become one living body, your incarnate presence on the earth. **Amen.**

11 As Scripture says, “Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame.”  
12 For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, 13 for, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

14 How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? 15 And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

16 But not all the Israelites accepted the good news. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed our message?” 17 Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ.

**Choir Anthem**

*There is a Sweet, Sweet Spirit*

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**Gospel Reading – John 1:35-42**

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35 The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. 36 When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, “Look, the Lamb of God!”

37 When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. 38 Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, “What do you want?”

They said, “Rabbi” (which means “Teacher”), “where are you staying?”

39 “Come,” he replied, “and you will see.”

So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon.

40 Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. 41 The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, “We have found the Messiah” (that is, the Christ). 42 And he brought him to Jesus.

Jesus looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas” (which, when translated, is Peter).

**Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed**

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

**Hymn of Response #761 "Called as Partners"**

**Prayers 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.

**Call to Offering**

Jesus said, "Follow me." We don't always know what that means. We are on a journey of discovery. We are here because we want to be God's people; we are here to celebrate our lives, and God's presence in this life. Let us worship God with great thanksgiving as we bring our offerings and pledges.

**Offertory**

*We Give Thee But Thine Own* arr. by Thygerson

**Doxology #606 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"**

**Prayer of Dedication —**

Let us pray. O God, we bring these gifts in service of Christ, King of love and peace. Continue to shape us in the likeness of Christ who came not to be served, but to serve. Use these gifts to comfort and to heal, to strengthen and empower your people to serve all creation with Christ-like compassion. **Amen.**

## Announcements

Closing Hymn #435 “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”

## Charge and Benediction

Postlude

*Epilogue* by Smith

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Grace Educational Wing Refab Volunteers Needed:** We’re sprucing up our educational wing. Please contact Tammy or the Grace office if you would be willing to help with cleaning walls, taping, edging, or painting. Also, thanks to Tom and Alex Monnier for their prep work.

**Afternoon of Fun and Games:** Congregational Life is hosting an afternoon of games and fellowship here at Grace on January 25th. Everyone is invited. Those joining are encouraged to bring a snack to share. If you have a favorite board game, bring it along. The fun starts at 2:00 PM

**You Can Still Join the Grace’s Prayer Team:** If you missed out on the opportunity to join the prayer team in 2024, you can still be part of the gang. Reach out to Tammy if you are interested. The process is simple. When a request comes in you will receive a text. At that point you take a moment to pray for the recipient. That’s it! You don’t even need to respond to the text.

**Grace’s Annual Congregational Meeting is January 26:** Please plan on attending. We will be looking at the Annual Report of 2024. Copies of the Annual Report are

in the narthex to review.

**Grace's 25th Anniversary Save the Date:** Plans are underway to celebrate Grace's 25th Anniversary on March 2nd. More information to come.

**2025 Lenten Bible Study - Save the Date:** Grace will be hosting a Lenten Bible study March 12 through April 16. More details to come.

### Birthdays

Carrie Geist – January 26

### Anniversaries

## ZOOM INSTRUCTIONS

*To connect to our worship services on Zoom, follow these instructions to watch or listen. You can connect at 10:15 for fellowship; the service starts at 10:30.*

### **Option 1: Automatically Join the Meeting**

Follow the link in the email sent every week. This is by far the easiest way to connect to the live video.

### **Option 2: Manually Join the Meeting**

You can download Zoom from <https://www.zoom.us>.

After you have installed the program/app, click on "Join" and enter this information:

***Meeting ID:*** 9712063468      ***Password:*** 030414

### **Option 3: Call in to Listen (Audio Only)**

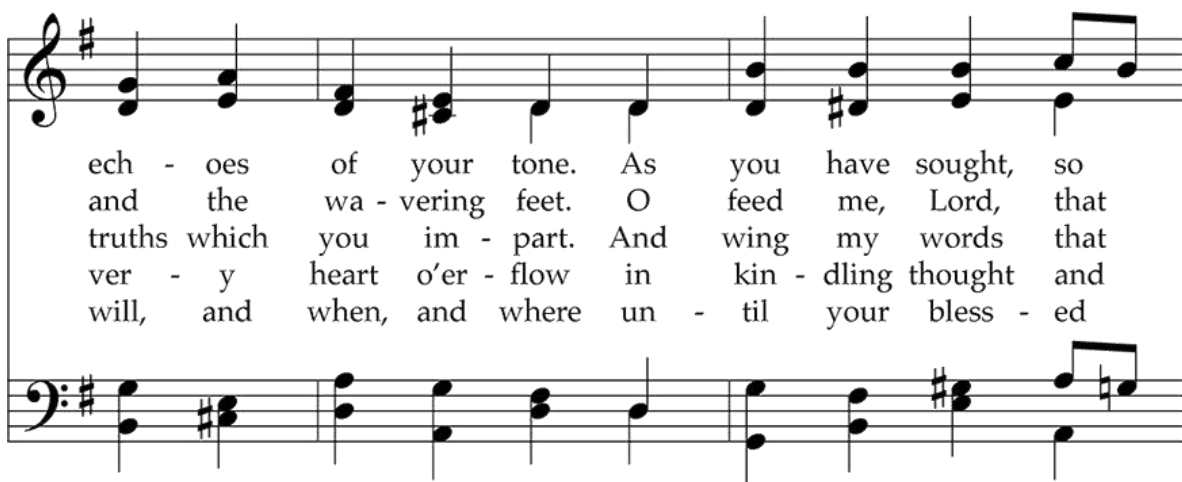
On Sunday Morning, you can call to listen to the service. After you call, it will ask you to enter the Meeting ID and Password Below:

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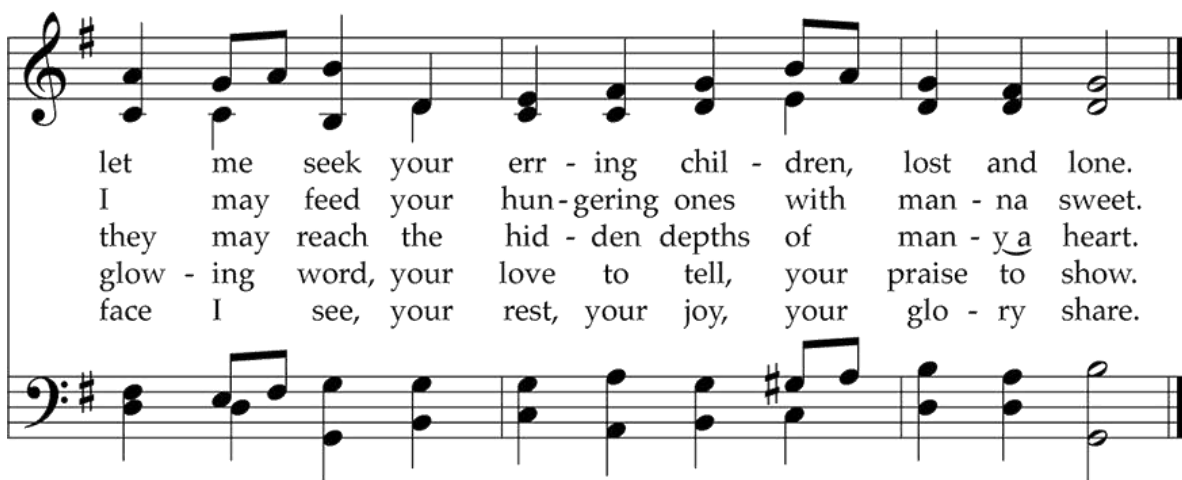
## 722 Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak



1 Lord, speak to me that I may speak in liv - ing  
 2 O lead me, Lord, that I may lead the wan - dering  
 3 O teach me, Lord, that I may teach the pre - cious  
 4 O fill me with your full - ness, Lord, un - til my  
 5 O use me, Lord, use e - ven me, just as you



ech - oes of your tone. As you have sought, so  
 and the wa - vering feet. O feed me, Lord, that  
 truths which you im - part. And wing my words that  
 ver - y heart o'er - flow in kin - dling thought and  
 will, and when, and where un - til your bless - ed



let me seek your err - ing chil - dren, lost and lone.  
 I may feed your hun - gering ones with man - na sweet.  
 they may reach the hid - den depths of man - ya heart.  
 glow - ing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.  
 face I see, your rest, your joy, your glo - ry share.

Two great truths inform this text: first, that the testimony of experience is powerful and persuasive; and second, that no one should venture to minister on one's own strength rather than God's. The tune reflects a 19th-century practice of adapting piano pieces as hymn tunes.



# Called as Partners in Christ's Service 761



1 Called as part-ners in Christ's ser-vice, called to min-is-tries of grace,  
 2 Christ's ex-am-ple, Christ's in-spir-ing, Christ's clear call to work and worth,  
 3 Thus new pat-terns for Christ's mis-sion, in a small or glob-al sense,  
 4 So God grant us for to - mor-row ways to or - der hu - man life



we re-pond with deep com-mit-ment fresh new lines of faith to trace.  
 let us fol-low, nev - er fal-tering, rec - on - cil - ing folk on earth.  
 help us bear each oth - er's bur-dens, break-ing down each wall or fence.  
 that sur-round each per - son's sor-row with a calm that con-quests strife.



May we learn the art of shar-ing, side by side and friend with friend,  
 Men and wom-en, rich - er, poor - er, all God's peo-ple, young and old,  
 Words of com - fort, words of vi - sion, words of chal-enge, said with care,  
 Make us part-ners in our liv - ing, our com-pas-sion to in - crease,



e - qual part-ners in our car - ing to ful - fill God's cho - sen end.  
 blend-ing hu - man skills to - geth - er gra - cious gifts from God un - fold.  
 bring new power and strength for ac - tion, make us col - leagues, free and fair.  
 mes - sen - gers of faith, thus giv - ing hope and con - fi - dence and peace.



This hymn is a celebration of mutuality and diversity as well as a challenge to the Christian community to live out a ministry of reconciliation and inclusion. This 20th-century text is set to a 19th-century tune named for the noted pastor and preacher Henry Ward Beecher.

TEXT: Jane Parker Huber, 1981

MUSIC: John Zundel, 1870

Text © 1981 Jane Parker Huber (admin, Westminster John Knox Press)

BEECHER

8.7.8.7.D

(alternate tune: EBENEZER)

## 435 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

1 There's a wide - ness in God's mer - cy, like the wide - ness  
 2 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sures  
 of the sea. There's a kind - ness in God's jus - tice,  
 of the mind. And the heart of the E - ter - nal  
 which is more than lib - er - ty. There is no place where earth's  
 is most won - der - ful - ly kind. If our love were but more  
 sor - rows are more felt than up in heaven. There is no place  
 faith - ful, we would glad - ly trust God's Word, and our lives re -  
 where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given.  
 flect thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of our Lord.

These stanzas, excerpted from quite a few more, offer a reminder that the model for our dealings with others should be God's generosity rather than limited human tolerance. The text is effectively set to a broad and sturdy Dutch folk melody, probably from the 17th century.

TEXT: Frederick William Faber, 1854, alt.  
 MUSIC: Dutch melody; arr. Julius Rötgen, c. 1906

IN BABLONE  
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## 606

# Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Doxology

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems, each with a vocal line in the treble clef and a bass line in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise \*him, all creatures here below; praise \*him above, ye heavenly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men." The asterisk indicates an alternative word, "God", which can be used in place of "him".

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise \*him, all crea-tures  
here be-low; praise \*him a-bove, ye heaven-ly host; praise  
Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.

*\*Or "God"*

TEXT: Thomas Ken, 1695, 1709  
MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551

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## O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing 610

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my  
 2 The name of Je - sus charms our fears, and  
 3 Christ speaks, and lis - tening to his voice new  
 4 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as -  
 5 To God all glo - ry, praise, and love be

dear Re - deem - er's praise, the glo - ries of my  
 bids our sor - rows cease, sings mu - sic in the  
 life the dead re - ceive; the mourn - ful wak - en  
 sist me to pro - claim, to spread through all the  
 now and ev - er given by saints be - low and

God and King, the tri - umphs of God's grace!  
 sin - ner's ears, brings life, and health, and peace.  
 to re - joice; the poor in heart be - lieve.  
 earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy name.  
 saints a - bove, the church in earth and heaven.

## SPANISH

1 *Mil voces para celebrar  
 a mi Libertador,  
 las glorias de su majestad,  
 los triunfos de su amor.*

## KOREAN

1 만 입이 내게 있으면  
 그 입 다 가지고  
 내 구주 주신 은총을  
 늘 찬송하겠네

This text comes from an eighteen-stanza hymn the author wrote to mark the first anniversary of his life-changing conversion experience. It is now customarily the first hymn in Methodist hymnals worldwide. This tune, adapted from a German composer, is the usual North American setting.

TEXT: Charles Wesley, 1739, alt.; Spanish trans. Federico J. Pagana;  
 Korean trans. The United Methodist Korean Hymnal Committee, 2001  
 MUSIC: Carl Gottlieb Gläser, 1828; arr. Lowell Mason, 1839  
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