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<u>January 21, 2024</u>

8:00 & 10:30 AM

Theophanies of Light: Dazzled by God's Presence Stunned in the Darkness

Thank you for worshiping with us today. If you are a guest, we invite you to take a moment to complete a visitor's card located in the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate when it is passed. We also invite you to sign your name in our guest book located in the back entrance of the sanctuary.

We welcome infants and children and all their wiggles & voices in our worship! For your comfort, we also have a children's corner in the back narthex where your child can relax and play and you can still participate in the worship experience. We have children's books and activity bags for them to enjoy! Additionally, after the children's message during the 10:30AM service, children from 3 years old—6th grade are invited to participate in Sunday school in our classroom downstairs. They can choose to attend Sunday school or return to their seats to sit with their parents. Please see a member of the welcoming team for assistance!

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS JOYS AND CONCERNS PRELUDE

The Lord is My Light

by Walker

CALL TO WORSHIP1

L: Listen! In the darkness and the light—

C: God is calling.

L: Listen! In the darkness and the light—

C: God makes God's presence known.

L: What do you do when stunned by God calls?

C: Wake up. Listen. Act.

L: What do you do when God asks you to do something difficult?

L: What do you do when God asks you to do something impossible?

C: Wake up. Listen. Act. Because, with God, nothing is impossible.

L: Even changing ourselves?

C: Even changing the world. Wake up. Listen. Act.

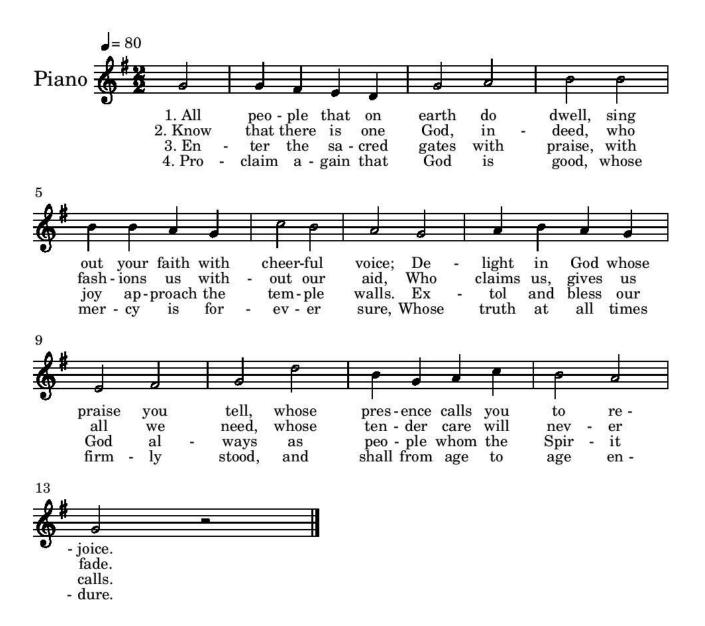
L: And, with all this living,

C: we worship God.

*OPENING HYMN NO. 7 NCH (black hymnal, see below)

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

All People That on Earth do Dwell



*TIME OF CONFESSION²

CALL TO CONFESSION PRAYER OF CONFESSION

L: God of patience and persistence,

C: You have called us by name. You will not let us lounge in bed. You wake us up in the middle of the night to remember that while we are imperfect, it is you who calls us still for good. You will not let us hide under the tree in shame. You summon us from the shade to be changed. You will not let us bury our secrets within the earth. You unearth our fears and speak them aloud. Forgive us, O God, when we sleep on our faith, when we hide from your calling, when we cannot speak. Reveal the words we need most. In Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ACT OF PRAISE NO. 159 NCH (black hymnal, vs. 1 & 4, see below)

As With Gladness Those of Old

ALL SING: As with gladness those of old did the guiding star behold. As with joy they hailed its light, leading on ward, breaming bright. So, true Morning Star may we, evermore your splendor see.

Holy Jesus, every day, keep us in the narrow way. And when mortal things are past, bring our ransomed souls at last. Where they need no star to guide, where no clouds your glory hide.

(10:30 AM) CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE MESSAGE

1 Samuel 3 (NRSVUE)

(8:00 AM) **HYMN NO 776 WITH ONE VOICE HYMNAL** (see next page)

Be Thou My Vision

(10:30 AM) **HYMN NO 776 WITH ONE VOICE HYMNAL** (see next page, vs. 1 & 2)

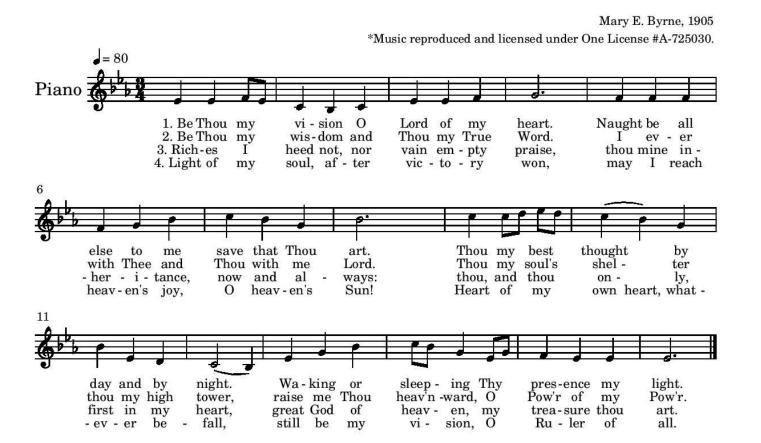
Be Thou My Vision

(10:30 AM) INSTALLATION & ORDINATION OF NEW COUNCIL MEMBERS

(10:30 AM) **HYMN NO 776 WITH ONE VOICE HYMNAL** (see next page, vs. 3, & 4)

Be Thou My Vision

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

A TIME FOR SHARING

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY & DISCIPLESHIP

OFFERTORY

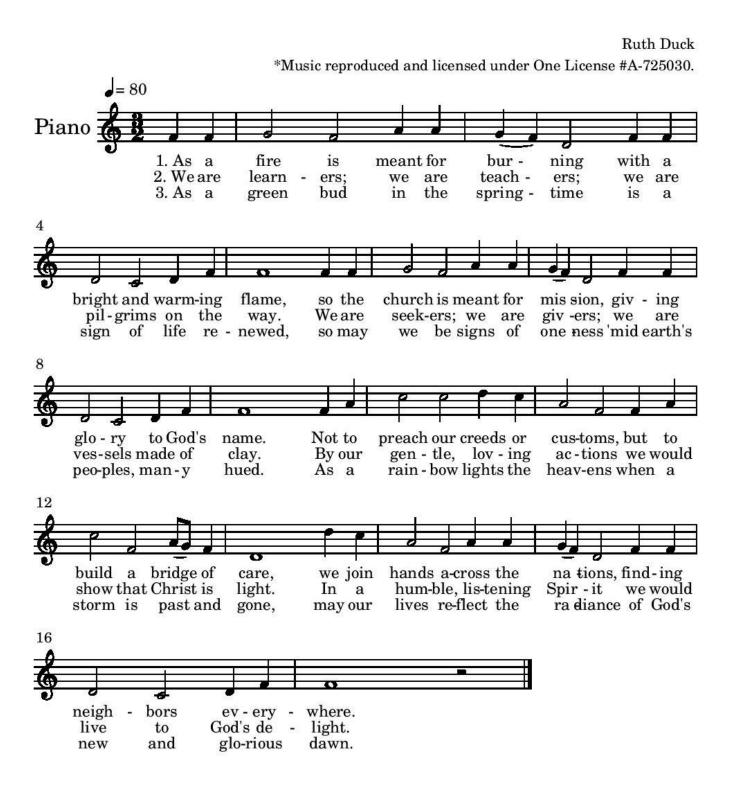
Those Who See Light

by Elze/Osuna

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE 2237 FWS (see next page, vs. 1 & 2)

As a Fire is Meant for Burning

As a Fire Is Meant for Burning



Carillon

by Vierne

Here I Am Lord



References

¹The Call to Worship is written by Richard Bott, and posted on Sharing Liturgy. http://liturgy.richardbott.com/ and accessed on 1/16/24.

²The Time of Confession is adapted from the writings of Rev. Elsa A. Peters, Pastor and Teacher of the First Congregational UCC in South Portland, ME, and posted on the United Church of Christ's Worship Ways website and accessed on 1/16/24.

Volunteers

Thank you to all serving in worship this morning:

8:00 AM Welcome Team Members

Kathy & Bob Ensminger

8:00 AM Tech Team:

Jack Herlocker & Ron Miles

8:00 AM Liturgist:

Deb Herlocker

10:30 AM Welcome Team Members

Lana Fritz, Tom Mulligan, & Nancy Smith

10:30 AM Tech Team:

Deb Herlocker, Jack Herlocker, & Paul Ramsey

10:30 AM Liturgist:

Jesse Smith

10:30 AM Praise Team

Tom Bair Lana Fritz

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