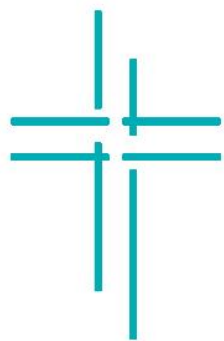


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January 10, 2021

10:30 AM

GREETING

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Arise and shine; for your light has come and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

P: Thick darkness covered us and all the earth. But the Lord has arisen upon us.

L: Lift up your eyes and look around. See how the nations come from far away.

P: We have followed the light to this holy place. We gather in the dawning of the light of God.

L: Let us worship God!

HYMN

O Praise the Name

Awaken Worship

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Light of the World, you pierce the darkness. Penetrate the darkness in our hearts. We hold in the light of your glory all the sins that we have known, all the pain that we have caused, all that causes us regret. We pray that, in your mercy and your love, you would once again forgive our sin, remove it from us, and transform us in your holy light, so that we might draw ever nearer to you, for your name's sake. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

L: The Lord has promised to turn mourning into joy, sorrow into comfort and gladness!

P: Christ has ransomed a world of sinners from enemies too strong for us to resist on our own. We are redeemed through the blood of Christ, according to the riches of grace which God has lavished upon us.

L: Therefore, let your hearts be still, and give thanks to God.

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.

OFFERING**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

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.

ANTHEM**There is a Fountain Filled with Blood****Norton Hall Band****NT LESSON****Luke 3:2-16****SERMON****Bearing Fruit Worthy of New Life****The Rev. Dr. Evan R. Smith****HYMN****His Mercy is More****Boyce College Choir****CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

PRAYERS

PRAYER CONCERNS

Linda Kincheloe
Kay Mader
Martha Wilkerson
Nita Wimer
Earl Flower
Amanda Harris
The Dull Family

SHUT-INS

Brannock Easley
Tim Clemmer
Earl & Jean Flower - Legacy

BIRTHDAYS

12 Harry Dice, III

ANNIVERSARIES

None

IN THE MILITARY

Cole A Smiley, Army - Grandson of Nita & Woodie Wimer
Scott Dice – Son of Melissa and Harry Dice
Nick Dubyk – Grandson of Betty and the late Willis Clemmer
Christopher Todd – Grandson of Ralph and the late Ruth Weller
Matthew Witcofsky – Son of Janet and Joe Witcofsky

QUICK REMINDER

Please call the Church Office (885-8159) if you or someone in your family goes into the hospital. This is the only sure way that we will know of your situation, so visits and other support can be given.

The latest copies of the These Days devotionals have arrived and are available on the table in the cloak room just off the narthex. Please stop by the church building if you would like to pick up a copy. Thanks!

**Jim Sargent
CE & Worship**