

4 th SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY GATHER IN GOD’S NAME		(*=please stand if you are able)
Prelude Welcome Opening Prayer		Rev. Jeniffer Rodriguez
L: Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart. P: Great are your works, O Lord, pondered by all who delight in them. L: Majesty and splendor mark your deeds, and your righteousness endures forever. P: You cause your wonders to be remembered; you are gracious and full of compassion		
Hymn of the Month (see insert)	“Come, All You People / Uyai Mose”	
Call to Confession Jesus calls us to enter the joy of discipleship, the joy of following in his way. But sin clings closely, and we struggle to respond fully to Christ’s invitation. Let us seek God’s forgiveness so that we may know more deeply the joy God intends.		
Prayer of Confession Merciful God, in Jesus, we have seen your glory. Yet our sinfulness often blocks out the light of Christ. We are quick to accuse and slow to confess. We find faults easily in others while ignoring our own shortcomings. We have squandered your gifts. We have turned from your ways. We have ignored your Word. Have mercy on us, compassionate God. Pour out your Holy Spirit on our sinful lives. Wash us with your love and cleanse us with your grace that day by day we might move closer to the people you would us be. Amen.		
Silent Confession		
Assurance of Pardon Relentlessly God seeks us out with abundant grace and boundless mercy. This is good news! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! ALL: Thanks be to God! Amen.		
*Gloria Patri	“Let Us with a Joyful Mind” Dazling bright the sun obeys God who shines with brighter rays rich with mercies that endures ever faithful, ever sure	
Prayer for Illumination Gracious God, illumine these words by your Spirit that we might hear what you would have us hear and be who you would us be, for the sake of Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. Amen.		
Scripture Reading	Deuteronomy 18:15-20 The Lord your God will raise up a prophet like me from your community, from your fellow Israelites. He’s the one you must listen to. That’s exactly what you requested from the Lord your God at Horeb, on the day of the assembly, when you said, “I can’t listen to the Lord my God’s voice anymore or look at this great fire any longer. I don’t want to die!” The Lord said to me: What they’ve said is right. I’ll raise up a prophet for them from among their fellow Israelites—one just like you. I’ll put my words in his mouth, and he will tell them everything I command him. I myself will hold accountable anyone who doesn’t listen to my words, which that prophet will speak in my name. However, any prophet who arrogantly speaks a word in my name that I haven’t commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods—that prophet must die. L: This is the word God. P: Thanks be to God.	
Anthem:		
Scripture Reading:	Mark 1:21-28 Jesus and his followers went into Capernaum. Immediately on the Sabbath Jesus entered the synagogue and started teaching. The people were amazed by his teaching, for he was teaching them with authority, not like the legal experts. Suddenly, there in the synagogue, a person with an evil spirit screamed, “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are. You are the holy one from God.” “Silence!” Jesus said, speaking harshly to the demon. “Come out of him!” The unclean spirit shook him and screamed, then it came out. Everyone was shaken and questioned among themselves, “What’s this? A new teaching with authority! He even commands unclean spirits and they obey him!” Right away the news about him spread throughout the entire region of Galilee. L: This is the word of the Lord. P: Thanks be to God.	
Sermon	“Bye Bye Bye”	Rev. Jeniffer Rodriguez
Hymn GTG#543	“God, Be The Love to Search and Keep Me” (versus 1,2 & 5)	

Words of Gratitude
With gratitude for God’s faithfulness and with thanksgiving for all that we have received, let us bring our gifts to God.

Offertory	RESPOND IN GRACE “He Has Made Me Glad” He has made me glad, He has made me glad, I will rejoice, for he has made me glad. He has made me glad, He has made me glad, I will rejoice, for he has made me glad.
* Doxology	“Sithi Bonga” Sithi bonga bonga bonga bonga Sithi bonga, sithi bonga Sithi bonga bonga bonga bonga Enhle hlabele (Repeat x1) Ukuhlabelela kuyathoko zisa njengenyoni enhle hlabelela Ukuhlabelela kuyathoko zisa njengenyoni enhle hlabelela (Sithi bonga bonga bonga bonga Sithi bonga, sithi bonga Sithi bonga bonga bonga bonga Enhle hlabele (Repeat x1)

Prayer of Dedication
O God, with faith and hope, we offer these gifts. Use them, even as you use us, to accomplish your purposes in Jesus Christ, the Head of the church and the Lord of our lives. Amen

Prayers of the People (see backpage)

***Lord’s Prayer**

Hymn GTG #542 “God Be With You Till We Meet Again”

Announcements

Benediction
God is Good! All the time! All the Time! God is Good!
Let us go from this place trusting that in Jesus Christ God is with us and for us in every place. May the grace of our Lord Jesus, the love of God, and the companionship of the Holy Spirit be with you and abide with you this day and forevermore. Amen.

The Peace
Leader: The peace of Christ be with you
People: And also with you

Amen

Postlude

Prayers of the People (See backpage)

Holy God, eternal yet immediate, beyond yet near, we praise you for all that you have made, for grace that amazes, for mercy that cleanses, and for love that never lets us go. Hear our prayers, our shouts and our sighs, our whispers and our cries, and that which we can only speak deep within. Hear our prayers, for we long for all to be well, for all to be right, for all to be whole.

Comfort the sick and encourage those who strive to heal them.

Hold the mournful and grant them peace that passes understanding.

Enlighten our leaders and give them a vision that promotes the common good.

Shelter those reeling from stormy blasts. Sustain those starting on new adventures. Satisfy those who hunger and thirst for justice.

We pray for teachers and students, for parents and children, for caregivers and care receivers, for gifts of knowledge and wisdom passed one to another.

Refresh your church. Give us a creative spirit as we travel together, sharing life and ministry. Renew our commitment to using well your abiding gifts of faith, hope and love.

You have shown us in Jesus an example of courageous compassion and risky generosity and bold truth-telling. Help us to follow in his way so that we might know the fullness of life you intend for us all.

God of each day and all days, hear us, hold us and keep us, for the sake of Jesus our Savior, who taught us to pray like this: “Our Father....”

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***“A multicultural congregation worshipping together
where Jesus Christ is Lord; where men, women, and
children share in leadership; and where the strength
of our fellowship builds bridges to the community.”***

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EVENTS HAPPENING IN 2024

In person hybrid worship is at 11AM

Zoom link is as follows:

By Computer

Join Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 870 270 865

One tap mobile

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Drumming Program will be on Feb. 5 and Feb. 19 at 6:30PM in the Fellowship Hall

Hybrid English Bible Study will be on Thursdays at 11AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Zoom Link bible study

By computer

Join Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 376 838 854

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Spanish Bible Study will be on Wednesdays.

Coffee hour following worship today

Worship Team Meeting will be Feb. 13th at 9:30AM

Ash Wednesday on Feb. 14th from 1-4PM we will be doing ashes and coffee outside in the front of the church on South Highland.

Communion for February will be on Feb. 18th

Annual Congregational Meeting will be Feb. 25th following worship.

Session Meeting will be Feb. 26th at 7PM

Emergency Shelter Program we are hosting the program again from Feb. 19th – Feb. 26th. Anyone who would like to provide a meal or give a monetary donation please see Pastor Jeniffer.

Please Share your tithes and offerings using the QR code below



Prayers and Praise

Please pray for everyone in leadership

Please pray for children/ families

Please pray for the Otu family

Please pray for the Supina/Ruess family

Please pray for the Sevilla family

Please pray for people struggling with cancer for healing

Please pray for people struggling with mental health

Please pray for leaders, people in a position of authority

Please pray for the Denzer Family

Please pray for Heather Blenkinsopp

Please pray for the Carretta family

Please pray for the Yumart family

Please pray for the Sippel family

Please pray for the Quinoy family

Please pray for Joy and Teresa Zeiden

Please pray for Boateng family

Please Pray for Orr family

Please pray for Kiara Taylor's family

Please pray for Bruce and family

Please pray for Bob

Please pray for Curtis

Please pray for the Bonapace family

Please pray for peace in the world

Praise Songs and Hymns

Come, All You People

Come, all you people, come and praise your Maker.
Come, all you people, come and praise your Maker.
Come, all you people, come and praise your Maker.
Come now and worship the Lord. Come and praise your Maker.

Come, all you people, come and praise your Maker.
Come, all you people, come and praise your Maker.
Come, all you people, come and praise your Maker.
Come now and worship the Lord.

Uyai mose, tinamate Mwari.
Uyai mose, tinamate Mwari.
Uyai mose, tinamate Mwari.
Uyai mose zvino. Tinamate Mwari.

Uyai mose, tinamate Mwari.
Uyai mose, tinamate Mwari.
Uyai mose, tinamate Mwari.
Uyai mose zvino.

God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me

God, be the love to search and keep me;
God, be the prayer to move my voice;
God, be the strength to now uphold me:
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.

Bind to myself the Name of Holy,
great cloud of witnesses enfold;
prophets, apostles, angels witness:
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.

Christ in the eyes of all who see me,
Christ in the ears that hear my voice,
Christ in the hearts of all who know me:
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.

God Be With You Till We Meet Again

God be with you till we meet again;
loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you:
God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again;
unseen wings protecting hide you,
daily manna still provide you:
God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again;
when life's perils thick confound you,
put unfailing arms around you:
God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again;
keep love's banner floating o'er you;
smite death's threatening wave before you:
God be with you till we meet again.