Third Sunday After the Epiphany January 25, 2009

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Sunday School & Bible Classes . . . 9:00 a.m.
Worship . . . . 10:30 a.m.

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G A T H E R I N G

PRELUDE - "He Touched Me" – Gaither arr. Bach

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SHARING OF PEACE

HYMN - "Dearest Jesus, We Are Here" LW 226

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COLLECT OF THE DAY – (read by all)

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Pastor: Let us pray.
All: Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.
(Please be seated)

RESPONSIVE READING - Psalm 1 - page 313
Read responsively by whole verse.

T H E W O R D

SONGS OF PRAISE

"Brothers and Sisters In Christ" SH 77
"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" SH 15
"To God Be The Glory" SH 123

FIRST LESSON - (insert) – Jonah 3:1-5, 10

GRADUAL - "See Ye First" – verses 1 and 2 SH 64

EPISTLE - (insert) - I Corinthians 7:29 – 31

GOSPEL - Mark 1:14-20

WORSHIP SONGS

"Holy Ground" – soloist Joanne Kushka
"How Great Thou Art" LW 519

"Have Thine Own Way, Lord" -

1. **Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!**
   Thou art the Potter, I am the clay!
   Mold me and make me after Thy will,
   While I am waiting, yielded and still.

2. **Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!**
   Search me and try me, Master, today!
   Whiter than snow, Lord, wash me just now,
   As in Thy presence, humbly I bow.

SERMON - "Gift of the Secret" – Mark 1:14-20

OFFERING - Sr. Choir: "Rain Down" - Cortez – arr. Carter SH 33
Soloist – Ryan Shanahan
Congregation please join in singing chorus 2, 3, and 4

OFFERTORY - (Please rise) - "We Give Thee But Thine Own"
We give You but Your own, in any gifts we bring;
All that we have is Yours alone, a trust from You, our King.
May we Your bounties thus as stewards true receive
And gladly, Lord, as You bless us, to You our firstfruits give.

S E N D I N G

PRAYERS FOR TODAY
(At the words "Lord, In Your Mercy," the congregation responds:
"HEAR OUR PRAYER")

LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

HYMN - "Savior, Again to Your Dear Name" LW 221

POSTLUDE - "Prelude in d Minor" - Bach

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= = = ***Mission: SALEM/Peace - As the Father sent me I send you.*** = = =
Vision: Preach – Teach – Heal – doing what Jesus does.

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BAPTISM - This morning **JAMES STEPHEN ROGERS IV** is received into the Christian Church by the washing of regeneration in Holy Baptism. We pray God's blessings upon James; his parents: James Stephen Rogers III and Stephanie Angeline Houck; and his sponsors: Stephen James Rogers and Cynthia Marie Houck.

We also welcome into adult membership James Stephen Rogers III and Stephanie Angeline Houck.

PLEASE NOTE - For the baptism -- There are to be no flash photographs taken during the worship service – they can be done after the service. Thank you.

ASSISTANTS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

Officiant . . . Rev. David F. C. Wurster, Ph.D.
Lector . . . Joanne Kushka
Organist . . . Lois L. Jones
Prayer Leader . . . Ken Kushka
Welcomers . . Mark Thomas and Paul Thomas Jr.
Ushers . . . . Mel Beyers, Renee Richards, Dennis Croston, Jim Carr, Mark Johnson
Altar . . . . . Sallie Langner and Thomas Jindra

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