

AVON LAKE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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Fourth Sunday After Epiphany

January 31, 2010

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING MUSIC

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER – Announcements, Joys & Concerns

PRELUDE *Fantasy on Kingsfold* Wagner

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: O God, awaken us to your glory!

P: Awaken us to your presence in this place.

L: Open our eyes to see you.

P: Open our ears to hear you.

L: Open our hearts to receive you,

P: That fully alive and awake,

All: We might worship you with all that we are.

*HYMN OF PRAISE "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" No. 281

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Healing God, you seek to gather us into your heart of wholeness where there is no spirit of unrighteousness, no spirit of trouble, no spirit of despair, no spirit of frenzy. You seek to gather us into a place of holiness where all that is broken falls away, dispersing like mist before the sun. We confess that we have often preferred a partial and clouded vision to the clarity of your truth. We confess that we have often chosen anxiety, fear, and anger rather than peace. Cast out the demons in us that keep us from you and welcome us into the beauty of your perfect peace. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: Friends, Believe the good news of the gospel!

P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE No. 223, (v. 6)

**Bless your Maker, all you creatures,
Ever under God's control,
All throughout God's vast dominion;
Bless the Lord of all, my Soul!**

ANTHEM *Praise! Praise!* Handel

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON (p. 224) RESPONSIVE Deuteronomy 18:14-20

L: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

P: Thanks be to God.

SERVICE OF STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY *Prelude on Beatitudo* Harris

*DOXOLOGY No. 592

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

(Children and Youth leave for Sunday School)

*HYMN "O For a Closer Walk with God" No. 396
(tune: Amazing Grace)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE; LORD'S PRAYER (using debts and debtors)

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON (p. 1181) Mark 1:21-28

L: ..the Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON **To Tell the Truth** Dr. Bill Lindeman

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed (Ecumenical—Hymnal, p. 14)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*HYMN "If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee" No. 282

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Allegro* Handel

*All who are able may stand

The flowers on the communion table are given to the Glory of God
in memory of our father and grandfather, Joseph Kvach,
by Matt, Bonnie, Audrey and Joseph Falish.

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Pastor Emeritus	Alfred A. Hart
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Director of Music	Muriel Homer
Youth Director	Linda Duffy
Office Administrator	Cindi Dansizen
Treasurer	Marcy Uhl

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Coffee Servers	Janet Hukill and Chris Chase
Greeters	Steve and Julie Dawe
Hall Monitor	Cindi Dansizen
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Ushers	Carol Madson, Barb Lehmkuhl, Jim Grissinger Gary and Carol Fratianne
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