



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

JANUARY 21, 2024

PRELUDE "Scherzo" from Suite for Organ on Austria
(Benjamin M. Culli)

INTROIT "We Have Come to Join in Worship"
(# 647 vs. 1-3)

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Welcome to the community of faith, the family of God!

All: We come as families, large and small in number, seeking God's love.

Leader: God's love is here for you.

All: Help us to understand how we are connected to God.

Leader: We abide in Christ Jesus, in love and compassion.

All: May our spirits be renewed and our connection to God be strengthened through our worship today. Amen.

OPENING SONG "Revive Us Again"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Steadfast Lord, we come seeking your face, and hoping for assurances we are living "the right way." Yet, we are stuck in routines that keep us from rediscovering you. We want to be renewed but are anxious about what work that will entail. We fail to see the purposes of change, even when it is your will. Forgive us and help us. Make our spirits flexible to Holy Spirit nudges that will enable us to be transformed. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

RESPONSE "Goodness of God"

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON Colossians 3:1-14

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"In the Morning, Joy"
(Mark Hayes)

MESSAGE From Change to Transformation:
"Being Renewed"

OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING "Beautiful Things"
(Gungor/Gungor)

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN "We Are Called to Be God's People"
(#580 vs. 1-3)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Heavenly Father, we thank you for this time we've had together in your presence. Help us to remember in the hustle of daily life that our time together and our time with you is what matters most. Help us to carve out time in our busy schedules for fellowship, to encourage one another, and point one another toward you. Help us to value our family in Christ and to see our need for one another. We love you, Lord. Amen.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Finale: Toccata and Chorale" from Suite for Organ on Austria
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Preaching Pastor	Geoff Kohler
Assisting Pastor	Mofid Wasef
Director of Worship	Elizabeth Virkler
Director of Media	Luke Graham
Organist/Accompanist	Ronél Wishnuff
Audio	Riley McKenna
Slides	Greg Kritzer
Streaming	Lee & Berdi Meehan
Ensemble	Chancel Choir
Worship Band	Joey Carano
	Pete Harrison
	Nathan Hubbard
Scripture Reader	Jeanette Haley

To Give:

