

Sunday, January 21, 2024 – 9:30 a.m.

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

TODAY'S FOCUS: Jonah doesn't want to be in community with Nineveh. How are we like — or different from — Jonah? Where do we most need mercy? How are we like — or different from — God? From whom are we withholding mercy?

PRELUDE — Anneke

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS — Lin

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST** — Lin

***OPENING HYMN**

TFWS #2022 “Great Is the Lord”

REFRAIN: Great is the Lord, he is holy and just; by his power we trust in his love.
Great is the Lord, he is faithful and true; by his mercy he proves he is love.

**1. Great is the Lord and worthy of glory! Great is the Lord and worthy of praise.
Great is the Lord; now lift up your voice, now lift up your voice:
Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord!**

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**2. Great is the Lord and worthy of glory! Great is the Lord and worthy of praise.
Great is the Lord; now lift up your voice, no lift up your voice:
Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord!**

**3. Great are you Lord and worthy of glory! Great are you Lord and worthy of praise.
Great are you, Lord; I lift up my voice, I lift up my voice:
Great are you, Lord! Great are you, Lord!**

ENDING: Great are you, Lord! Great are you, Lord! Great are you, Lord!

***CALL TO WORSHIP** — Isabella Presnall

One: The God of all creation calls us.

Many: We come, knowing that our deliverance and honor rest in God.

One: Mercy and steadfast love belong to God.

Many: We come to worship, celebrating the presence of our gracious and loving God

OFFERTORY — Scott Anderson, Shelly Anderson, RaeAnn Norell, Anneke Toomey
“O Lord Most Holy”

***DOXOLOGY**

UMH #94

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION** — Lin

All: Holy God, we marvel at the strength of your compassion and your ability to offer forgiveness. We come to you, hungry to be part of the good news you are bringing forth, yearning to be part of the realm you are revealing. We lay our gifts before you and ask that you bless them to your purpose, and pray that we may do even more for the building up of your loving community on earth. It is in Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD’S PRAYER — Lin [are there any joys or concerns today?]

All: 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN**

UMH #451 “Be Thou My Vision”

1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art. Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping thy presence my light.

2. Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; Thou and thou only, firs in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

3. Great God of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven’s joys, O bright heaven’s Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

***BENEDICTION** — Lin

POSTLUDE — Anneke

Prelude/Postlude—Anneke

Accomp.—Anneke

Offertory—Scott, Shelly,
Rae Anne, Anneke

Song Leader—Janice

Special Music — Choir

Organ — Betsy?

Liturgist — Diana Murray

Children’s Message — Lin

