

First Presbyterian CHURCH OF EASTON



SIMPLE CHURCH

February 12, 2023
The Sixth Sunday after Epiphany
*Standing

WE GATHER

GATHERING MUSIC

TOWER BELLS

PRELUDE Deep River Spiritual; arr. Hailstork

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME

This is the day that God has made!

Let us celebrate and be glad!

*SING This is the Day

This is the day, (right side)

This is the day. (left side)

That the Lord has made,

That the Lord has made.

We will rejoice,

We will rejoice,

And be glad in it,

And be glad in it.

This is the day that the Lord has made.

We will rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the day,

This is the day

That the Lord has made. (all singing together)

WE LISTEN

Psalm 17

Let everyone, everywhere, come and praise God!

Let everyone praise God.

God's love for us is wonderful;

God's faithfulness never ends.

Shout praises to the Lord!

Amen!

SCRIPTURE Deuteronomy 30:15-20

See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

LESSON Rev. Stefanie Muntzel

WE RESPOND

*SING There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit in this Place Hymn 398

There's a sweet, sweet spirit in this place,
And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord;
There are sweet expressions on each face,
And I know that it's the presence of the Lord.
Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove,
Stay right here with us, filling us with Your love;
And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise:
Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived
When we shall leave this place.

THE PRAYER JESUS TAUGHT

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

Amen.

*SING Song of Hope (sung twice) Hymn 432

May the God of hope go with us every day,
Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
Bringing light and hope to every land and race.
Praying, let us work for peace,
Singing, share our joy with all,
Working for a world that's new,
Faithful when we hear Christ's call.

*SENDING PRAYER

May the grace of God hold you, the peace of God surround you, the love of God flow from you and the strength of God protect you. Go now to share the grace, peace, love and strength of God with others!

POSTLUDE

Lift Every Voice and Sing (Hymn 563)

arr. J. Rosamond Johnson

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Worship Leaders

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