

well-being is to ensure that they are mindful of the broad range of human needs within that society. This

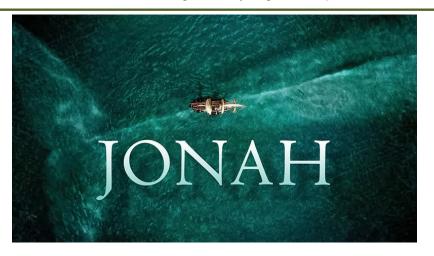
hymn is a strong reminder of the values that need such attention.

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## Welcome to Riverside Presbyterian Church

January 21, 2018 ~ Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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CHIMING THE HOUR WELCOME

## **WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP**

\* PASSING OF THE PEACE (Responsive)
The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

PRELUDE & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE Toccata Per l'Elevatione

Frescobaldi

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)
The Word of the Lord came,
hope for all people cradled in his arms.
the Word of the Lord comes,
calling us out of our comfort zones,
to go where grace is needed most.

The Word of the Lord will come, gathering all the outsiders and insiders into one community of the kingdom.

\* HYMN 262

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

- \* CALL TO CONFESSION
- \* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Our comfortable lives convince us we do not need to follow Jesus, Steadfast God. Our work provides for our wants, so we have no need for your grace. Our friends are found through social media, so we do not need your community. Our fear of the beliefs and cultures of others makes us sure that we do not need to share your grace with them.

Forgive us for dragging our feet as Jesus' disciples, Compassionate God. May we get up from our comfort zones and step out in faith. May we go to all the uncomfortable places to bring hope. May we proclaim with our lips, but especially with our lives, that the kingdom of love is near. Silence is kept.

- \* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS
- \* HYMN 579

Glory Be to the Father

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

## **WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD**

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Children are invited forward

HYMN 333 verse 1

Seek Ye First

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

**SCRIPTURE** 

Psalm 62:5-12

Jonah 3:1-5

**MEDITATION** 

A Love of Hate

\* HYMN

In an Age of Twisted Values

## **WE RESPOND IN FAITH**

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS

ANTHEM We Are Equal in the Sight of God Dobrzanski/Clancey

\* HYMN Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow with Alleluias
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise God in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one.
Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia!

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER
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.

\* HYMN 538

Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

- \* BENEDICTION
- \* CHORAL BENEDICTION
- \* POSTLUDE Prelude & Fugue in B b Bach

J.S.