THE PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory

Response (#606)

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"Mercy Said No" "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" Long/Koch

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

+ Prayer of Dedication

THE SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

THE 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.

And Go to Live Out our Commitments Daily

HYMN #313 "Lord, Make Us More Holy" CHARGE AND BENEDICTION One: Go now, beloved of God! All: We will go to love all we meet. One: Go now, followers of Jesus! We will go the distance with the One who shows us the way. All: Go now, empowered by the Spirit! One: All: We will go, sharing peace and hope with the world. CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "Surely. It is God Who Saves Me" Surely it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid. For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and he will be my Savior.

+ POSTLUDE

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"Trumpet Tune"

J. Payne

FIRST SONG

LORD. MAKE US MORE HOLY

As our time of worship comes to an end, our time of service begins. We bear the light of Christ in the world!



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We are called to be a Christ-centered family of believers, committed to growing spiritually, worshipping joyfully, and sharing God's love daily.



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180 Academy Street Alpharetta, GA 30009 770-751-0033 www.alpharettapres.com Sunday, February 19, 2017

9:30 & 11:00 a.m.

"You shall be holy, for | the Lord your God am holy."

Leviticus 19:2

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Welcome to worship

Many of us struggle with our faith. We have questions and doubts, and some days we can't say for certain what we believe. Being "holy as the Lord your God is holy" or "perfect…as your heavenly Father is perfect" seems like an impossible task. But our scripture readings this week reveal that holiness doesn't mean never having doubts. Being holy is about living in a way that is loving and respectful of others. It's about reflecting God's love in concrete everyday ways.

Caitlin

Rev. Caitlin Phillips

Celebration of Worship February 19, 2017 • 7th Sunday after Epiphany • 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. We Gather as a Family			Silent Confession Unison Prayer Lord, we know that you create every person and love each one. But each of us knows people who are very hard to love. They seem to be out to hurt us, or make us look bad. We want to strike back, get even, or at least protect ourselves. But you expect us to love them. That is not easy. Be with us and hear our prayers for people who hurt us <i>(silence)</i> . We pray this in the name of Christ, who showed us how to love. Amen. Assurance of Pardon				
Please silence all cell phones and electronic devices			+ RESPONSE OF PRAISE (#581) "Glory Be to the Father" GLORIA PATRI				
SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION Steadfast God, perhaps one of the greatest mysteries is why you continue to entrust the work of your kingdom into our clumsy hands. But we are forever grateful that you do not want to change the world without us. May we become the church you dream of. Amen.			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. + PASSING OF THE PEACE				
PRELUDE	"Spirit of Faith, Come Down"	R. Haan	Leader: The peace of Christ be with you. People: And also with you.				with you.
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Caitlin Phillip		Rev. Caitlin Phillips	Grow Spiritually				
TRINITY CHIMES			CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m Children ages 3—1st grade are invited to follow leaders to KinderWorship)				
	Worship Joyfully		PRAYER FOR ILLUMI	NATION			
 + CALL TO WORSHIP (St. Francis of Assisi) One: Lord, make me an instrument of your peace; All: where there is hatred, let me sow love; One: when there is injury, pardon; 		Dr. Jo Anderson	FIRST SCRIPTURE LE CHORAL ANTHEM	SSON (9:30 a.m.)	Leviticus 19:1-2 "Blessed Are T Natalie Gollober	ĥey"	pew Bible, page 106 D. Haas
All: where there is doubt, faith; One: where there is despair, hope;			(11:00 a.m.)		Natalie Golloher, Soloist "O Taste and See"		R. Vaughn Williams
All: where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy.			(
	, 8		SECOND SCRIPTURE	LESSON	Matthew 5:38	3-48	pew Bible, page 5
+ HYMN #14	"For the Beauty of the Earth"	DIX		Leader: The v	vord of the Lord.	People: Thanks be to Go)d!
+ PRAYER OF ADORATION		SERMON		"Actions Speak Louder	r Than Words"	Rev. Caitlin Phillips	
THE CONFESSION OF SIN Call to Confession		Share God's Love					
Sung Confession	"Lord, Have Mercy upon Us"	KYRIE ELEISON					
Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ, have mercy upon us;			+ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH "Brief Statement of Faith", sections 1 and 2 (hymnal p. 37) Dr. Oliver Wagner				
Lord, have mercy upon us.		~~,	+ HYMN #729		"Lord, I Want to Be a	Christian"	I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN