

Third Sunday after Epiphany

January 22, 2023

11:00 am

**A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD**

PRELUDE

*Dr. Renee Huff*

*(Prepare for worship in silent prayer and reflection)*

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT #765

“May the God of Hope”

*Dr. Renee Huff*

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

L: We rejoice to worship our Father;  
We can do everything through Him, who gives us  
strength.

**P: We accept hardship as a pathway to peace;  
Surely God is faithful and will be with us.**

L: Happy are those who look beyond their own troubles;  
All who seek to help others will find true serenity.

**P: God grant us the serenity to accept the things we cannot  
change;**

**The courage to change the things we can;**

**All: And the wisdom to know the difference.**

\*HYMN #250 “In the Bulb There is a Flower”

CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

L: The grace of God be with you.

**P: And also with you.**

L: Knowing that God is waiting to hear from us, let's confess  
our sins together.

**P: Dear Lord, help us to know ourselves as we are, and  
set before us a vision of what life could be if we  
followed your law. We admit our short-sighted views.  
We act in ways that meet our own interests. We ignore  
your Word as if it were not important. And we  
especially flee from your presence in doubt and  
rebellion. Forgive and help us reconcile with you.  
Amen.**

*- Silent Confession -*

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

L: Friends, this is the Good News of the Gospel, in Jesus  
Christ we are forgiven!

**P: Thanks be to God!**

**\*THE GLORIA #581** "Glory to God, Whose Goodness..."

**\*RECONCILIATION WITH ONE ANOTHER**

L: Let us greet each other here and online with the words  
"May the peace of Christ be with you!"

**P: And also with you!**

**THE FIRST READING**

Psalm 23

**THE SECOND READING**

Philippians 4:10-13

L: This is the Word of the Lord!

**P: Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON** "The Beauty of the Serenity Prayer" *Elder Mark Wilson*

**WE OFFER OUR GIFTS**

L: The earth is the Lord's, and all that is in it,

**P: the world, and those who live in it.**

L: Let us return to God the offerings of our life and the gifts  
of the earth.

**The Anthem**

*Dr. Renee Huff*

**The Doxology #606**

*Old Hundredth*

**The Dedication**

**WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS**

**Joys and Concerns**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**+ BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD +**

**\*HYMN #378** "We Wait the Peaceful Kingdom"

**\*BLESSING**

**\*POSTLUDE**

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PLEASE WELCOME ELDER MARK WILSON** to our pulpit today! Mark's home church is Augusta Stone in Fort Defiance, where he has been a Ruling Elder and a Trustee. He lives in Fort Defiance with his wife, Debbie. He is a retired businessman and has been filling in at Presbyterian churches for 15 years. He has led over 400 worship services, mainly in Augusta County.

### **IN THE PULPIT JANUARY 2023**

- ◆ **Today, Sunday, January 22:** Elder Mark Wilson
- ◆ **Sunday, January 29:** Karen Edwards

**Elders**

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Morgan, Mary Meade, Barbara Richardson,  
Bret Ritchie, Hugh Sproul  
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