

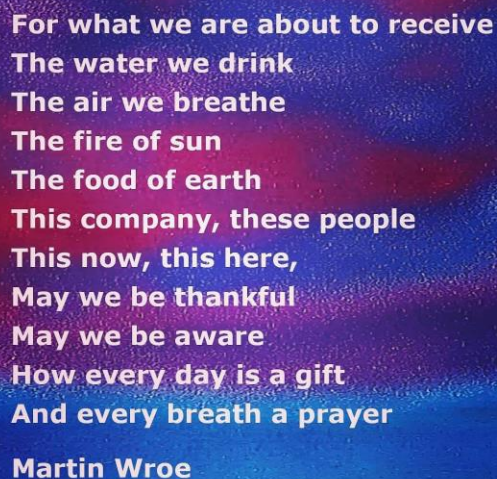
SUNDAY, January 22, 2023

3rd Sunday After Epiphany

Caldwell United Methodist Church, 8 Academy Road, Caldwell, N. J. 07006

Rev. Vivian L. Rodeffer, Pastor

Ms. Maxine Alstrom, Music Director



For what we are about to receive
 The water we drink
 The air we breathe
 The fire of sun
 The food of earth
 This company, these people
 This now, this here,
 May we be thankful
 May we be aware
 How every day is a gift
 And every breath a prayer
 Martin Wroe

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND INVOCATION

Pastor Viv

Dear God, open our eyes to see the thousand blessings you shower upon us each and every day, that we also may live lives of gratitude and grace. In Jesus' name, Amen.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

O God, you woke us up this morning to see a new day. We thank you!

You give us our daily bread. We thank you, O God.

When we are ill -You heal us.

In our life journey, when we are lost-You rescue us, O God.

When we are troubled or grieving -You embrace us and console us.

What seems impossible for us, You wondrously perform. We thank you.

For all you have done, are doing, and will do for us, we are grateful, Amen.

*HYMN #89

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You”

1 Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,
 God of glory, Lord of love;
 Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee,

Op'ning to the sun above.
 Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
 Drive the dark of doubt away;
 Giver of immortal gladness,
 Fill us with the light of day!

2 All Thy works with joy surround Thee,
 Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays,
 Stars and angels sing around Thee,
 Center of unbroken praise.
 Field and forest, vale and mountain,
 Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
 Singing bird and flowing fountain
 Call us to rejoice in Thee.

3 Thou art giving and forgiving,
 Ever blessing, ever blest,
 Wellspring of the joy of living,
 Ocean depth of happy rest!
 Thou our Father, Christ our Brother,
 All who live in love are Thine;
 Teach us how to love each other,
 Lift us to the joy divine.

4 Mortals, join the happy chorus,
 Which the morning stars began;
 Father love is reigning o'er us,
 Brother love binds man to man.
 Ever singing, march we onward,
 Victors in the midst of strife,
 Joyful music leads us Sunward
 In the triumph song of life.

UNISON PRAYER

Lord, Jesus Christ, your message is hope for a new beginning. You do not see us for our flaws or hold our disobedience against us. God, continue to teach us to be thankful on our journey. Heal us when we are wounded or sick. Give us bread when we are hungry. When we are troubled with heavy burdens, console us. Free us when we are oppressed or in bondage. Amen.

SCRIPTURE**Luke 17:11-19**

Jesus Cleanses Ten Men with a Skin Disease

11 On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. 12 As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, 13 they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" 14 When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. 15 Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. 16 He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. 17 Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine? 18 Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" 19 Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

The word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

SPECIAL MUSIC**FRESH START MESSAGE #3 Fresh Start? Or Same Old, Same Old?***A fresh start begins with living in awe and gratitude of God's gifts.***DEDICATION OF OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD*****PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

God, thank you for the healing you bring to our lives. Moreover, thank you for inviting us to be participants in our own healing and in the healing of the world. Accept our offering today as a sign of our gratitude and a statement of our faith. May these gifts be used to multiply the miracles you are working in our community. Amen.

***DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
 Praise God all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
 Praise God the source of all our gifts!
 Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!
 Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

MORNING PRAYER, SILENT PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER**Pastor Karen**

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.

***HYMN TFWS #2036 "Give Thanks With A Grateful Heart"**

**1 Give thanks with a grateful heart,
 Give thanks to the Holy one,
 Give thanks because He's given,
 Jesus Christ His Son.**

**2 Give thanks with a grateful heart,
 Give thanks to the Holy one,
 Give thanks because He's given,
 Jesus Christ His Son.**

**And now,
 Let the weak say I am strong.
 Let the poor say I am rich.
 Because of what,
 The Lord has done for us.
 Give thanks.**

**And now,
 Let the weak say I am strong.
 Let the poor say I am rich.
 Because of what,
 The Lord has done for us.
 Give thanks.**

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

***Stand as Able**

CALENDAR

Monday, January 23

**10 AM Prayer/ Discussion Group
 7 PM Finance
 8 PM Trustees**

Tuesday, January 24

7 PM Church Council