



The Setauket Presbyterian Church

“As active disciples of Jesus Christ, we celebrate and share the love of God among ourselves and with others.”

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

January 18, 2015

9:30 AM

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

We use this time to make the transition between “getting here” and “being here”.

Take these few minutes to find the still, deep places within you, where God’s Spirit dwells.

Relax the body; quiet the mind. Focus on breathing, feeling, being. Be mindful of your center—your reservoir of inner peace, strength, love. Be aware of being together in silence with others.

Feel the spirit of the community.

Prelude *Sometime I feel like a motherless child* African American Spiritual

Ring of the Steeple Bell

Welcome and Announcements

Introit *Come All You People* Alexander Gondo

* **Call to Worship** (adapted from Micah 6:6,8)

With what shall we come before the LORD, and bow ourselves before God on high?

God has told us what is good:

And what does the LORD require of us but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God?

* **Hymn 472** Kum Ba Yah KUM BA YAH

PRAYER FOR RECONCILIATION

Lord our refuge, come by here today. Listen to our crying, our singing, our praying. Forgive us, your children, for forgetting who, and whose, we are. Forgive us for losing faith, losing courage. Forgive the sins that are a burden to us, and the sins we do not even notice because we are so used to them. Kindle again the fire of heaven’s justice in our weary hearts, for we are your baptized disciples, pledged to follow you. Burn away the cobwebs of habit and skepticism, of fear and self-reproach, and make us the joyful fountain of blessing you intended us to be, so that, forgiven and renewed, we may show forth your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ...

(Moment of silence for personal confession and reflection) Amen.

Assurance of God’s Grace

...Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

* **Gloria** an African-American spiritual

1. **Glory, glory, hallelujah! since I laid my burden down,**
refrain: **Glory, glory, hallelujah! since I laid my burden down.**

2. **I feel better, so much better, since I laid my burden down,** (refrain)

3. **Feel like shouting, “Hallelujah!” since I laid my burden down,** (refrain)

WITH THE CHILDREN AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Children should proceed to their church school class.)

HEARING THE WORD

Sung Prayer for Illumination

Hymn 288 Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me...melt me, mold me, fill me, use me...

First Reading Ezekiel 36:22-28

Anthem *Freedom is Coming*

South African Folk Song

Second Reading John 1:43-51

THE SERMON *Freedom is Coming*

The Rev. Mary B. Speers

* HYMN 379 *We Shall Overcome*

WE SHALL OVERCOME

THANKING GOD THROUGH OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory

(Please sign the Friendship Rosters found at the end of the pew,
noting the name of fellow worshippers when it is returned.)

* Doxology 606 (alt)

* Prayer of Dedication

God our help, we your children offer you ourselves and the fruits of our labors. We hear your call to follow your beloved child Jesus. Accept these offerings in Jesus' name, follow them with your blessing, and bless us to greater service, for by the Spirit we belong to Christ Jesus, in whose strong name we pray. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 339 *Lift Every Voice and Sing*

LIFT EVERY VOICE

* CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION and BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE *Amen*

arr. Cleveland and Nix

POSTLUDE *Deep River*

African American Spiritual

please rise in body or in spirit; **unison prayers are in bold.*

Large print bulletins, Bibles, hymnals and listening devices are available; please ask a Deacon.

NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 25

9:00 Knitting at 9 in the Parlor

9:30 Worship Service and the Rev. Mary Speers preaching; Childcare (ages 1 - 3)

9:45 Church School (Preschool through 6th Grade)

10:30 Annual Congregational Meeting (Childcare provided)

10:30 Children's Choir in the Preschool Room

**SETAUKET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ANNUAL MEETING
CALL**

The Annual Congregational and Corporate meeting of the Setauket Presbyterian Church will be held in the church sanctuary on **Sunday, January 25, 2015** immediately following the 9:30 A.M. Service of Worship.

Ruling Elders will be elected to the class of 2018 to succeed Ruth Cote, Barbara Curtis, Ken Rogers, Michael Tucci, and Kate Zvokel, and to the class of 2016 to succeed Joseph Nicklas, all of whose terms of office expire in March 2015.

Deacons will be elected to the class of 2018 to succeed Greg Bellias, Kelly Doerge, Diane Melidosian, Arlene Rogers, Sandra Roth, and Carol Russell, and to the class of 2016 to succeed John Aicher, all of whose terms of office expire in March 2015.

Congregational members of the 2015 Church Nominating Committee will be elected.

The Terms of Call for the Pastor will be voted on.

The report of the Treasurer for 2014 will be given.

The 2015 Church Budget adopted by Session will be presented.

Reports from all church committees will be received.

Minutes of this meeting may be referred to Session or presented for approval.

Stuart B. Campbell, Clerk of Session

Childcare during the annual meeting will be provided in the Preschool Room.