



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

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

January 22, 2017

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

Ringing of the Steeple Bell

Welcome and Announcements

Introit: Light Enters *Heaven and earth*

Iona

* Call to Worship (responsive)

We do not live by bread alone,

but by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

Jesus said, “If anyone wants to follow me,

let them deny themselves and take up their cross daily.”

Praise the Lord!

The Lord’s name be praised!

* Hymn 4 *Holy God, We Praise Your Name*

GROSSER GOTT, WIR LOBEN DICH

PRAYER FOR RECONCILIATION

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Here now in silence we add further prayers in silence.....

(Silent Prayer)

Assurance of God’s Grace

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

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

* Gloria (sing once in unison, twice in a round)

from Taizé Hymnal

**^(a)Glory to God, glory to God, ^(b)glory to God in the highest;
glory to God, glory to God; alleluia, alleluia.**

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 Psalm 27:1, 4-9

Anthem *My eyes for beauty pine*

Herbert Howells

Second Reading Matthew 4:12-23

THE SERMON *What Did They See in Him?*

The Rev. Dr. Craig Malbon

* HYMN 170 *You Walk along Our Shoreline*

WIE LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN

THANKING GOD THROUGH OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory

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

* Doxology 606 (alt)

* Prayer of Dedication

Dear Lord, we give back to you in thankfulness what you have given to us in kindness. We acknowledge that the world and its resources are not ours but yours, and that you have put us in charge as your trustees. Help us to exercise responsibly the authority you give us in your world. Let Jesus your Son be the pattern for all our dealings with one another, and with the rest of creation. Bless the gifts we now present back to you, so that they may be used in the work of your Kingdom on this earth. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 543 *God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me*

GREEN TYLER

* CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION and BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE *And Let the Beauty of the Lord Our God Be Upon Us*

Charles Ives

POSTLUDE

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 29

9:00 Knitting at 9 in the Parlor

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

9:45 Church School (Preschool through 6th Grade); Middle School Program (7th-8th Grade)

10:30 Annual Congregational Meeting in the Sanctuary
