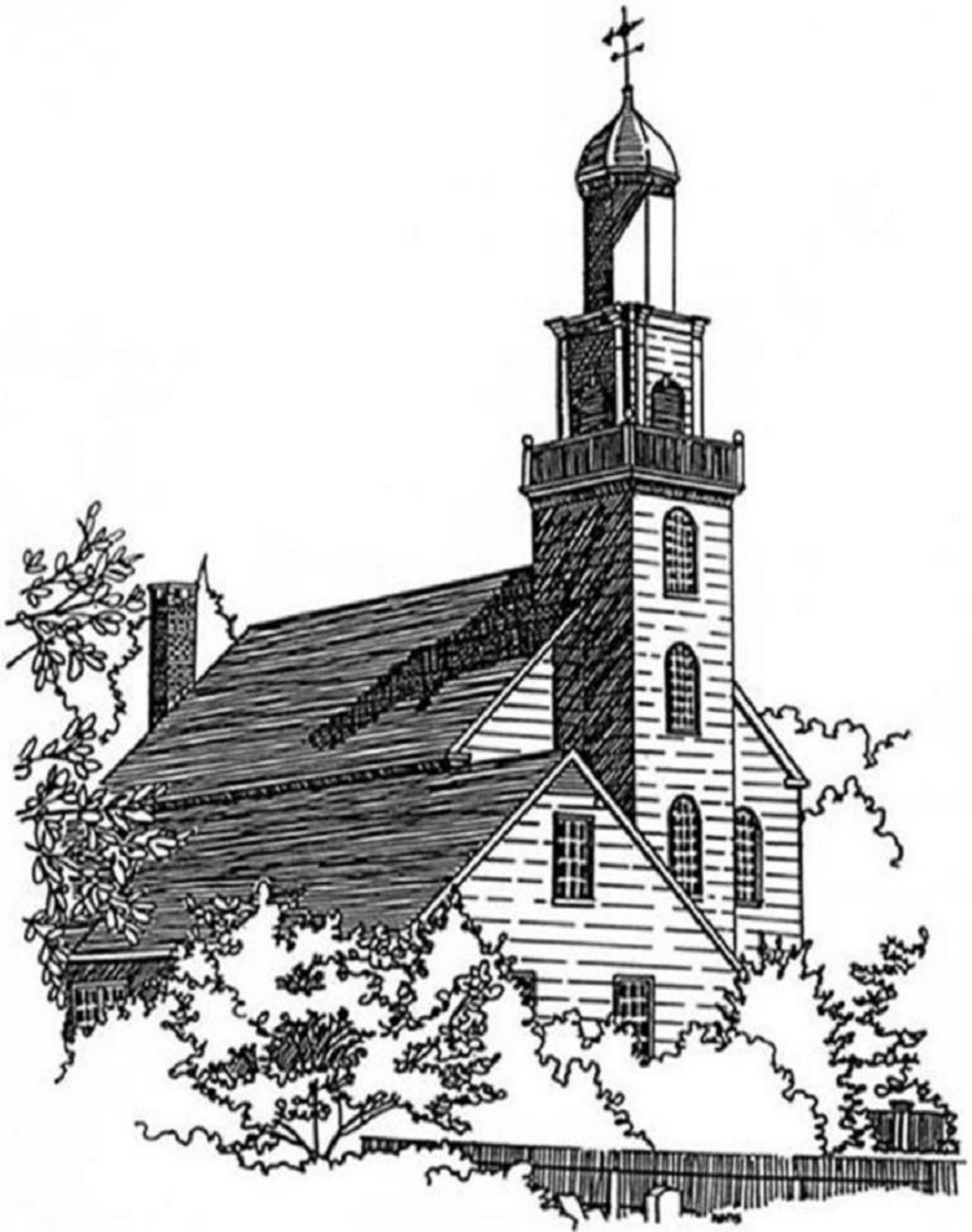


Welcome to the
Setauket Presbyterian Church



Second Sunday after Epiphany

Order of Worship

January 15, 2023

GATHERING MUSIC

RINGING OF THE STEEPLE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

The Light Enters

CALL TO WORSHIP

The world belongs to God

the earth and all its people

Love and faith come together

justice and peace join hands

If Christ's disciples keep silent

these stones would shout aloud

Creating God, Maker of all:

be with us this day

Jesus Christ, Servant of the poor:

be with us this day

Holy Spirit, Breath of life:

be with us this day

❖HYMN no. 772 *Live into Hope*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.*

Eternal God, out of whose absolute power and infinite intelligence the whole universe has come into being, we humbly confess that we have not loved you with our hearts, souls and minds, and we have not loved our neighbors as Christ loved us. We have all too often lived by our own selfish impulses rather than by the life of sacrificial love as revealed by Christ. We often give in order to receive. We love our friends and hate our enemies. We go the first mile but dare not

travel the second. We forgive but dare not forget. And so as we look within ourselves, we are confronted with the appalling fact that the history of our lives is the history of an eternal revolt against you. O God, have mercy upon us. Forgive us for what we could have been but failed to be. Give us the intelligence to know your will. Give us the courage to do your will. Give us the devotion to love your will. In the name and spirit of Jesus, we pray.

(time for silent confession) Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

(from Bishop Desmond Tutu in *God Has a Dream: A Vision of Hope for Our Time*)

Dear Child of God, in our world it is often hard to remember that God loves you just as you are. God loves you not because you are good. God loves you, period. God loves us not because we are loveable. No, we are loveable precisely because God loves us.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

SUNG RESPONSE Hymn no. 834 *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Please share a sign of Christ's peace with one another.

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN and THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from your mouth. Make us hungry for this heavenly food, that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 49:1-7

ANTHEM

SCRIPTURE READING John 1:29-42

SERMON

Rev. Ashley McFaul-Erwin

❖ **HYMN** *Jesus Be With Us* (insert)

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

❖ **DOXOLOGY** no. 609

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God,
all creatures high and low: Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise God in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

❖ PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF SELF AND SUBSTANCE

**Prophet and scholar, James Baldwin, said “If I love you, I have to make you
conscious
of the things you don’t see.” God of Revelations, may this offering be used to fill
in the
gaps of what we can not yet imagine. May we become conscious of possibility in
our
communities. May we envision expansive ways of being together infused with
freedom
and pleasure. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

❖HYMN no. 741 *Guide My Feet*

❖CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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

*Portions of the liturgy are adapted from The Presbyterian Church (USA) Peacemaking
Program, Iona Community Worship Book, en fleshed, and
The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.*

We welcome **Roxanne Kiefer-Mollo** as Worship Assistant this morning. Thanks to
Roxanne for this service!

THE SESSION

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