

Sunday, January 29, 2023
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
"Reset Values"
11:00 am Service
Lector: Robin Breckon



Prelude: *Simple Song*

E. Thiman

Welcome

Territorial Acknowledgements

Announcements

Lighting the Christ Candle

The Candles of the four directions

Lighting the Candle of Hope

Invitation to Worship:

Spirit of the Living God, we seek your guidance.

We come in need of direction and encouragement, for the life of faith can be challenging.

**Spirit of the Living God, equip us for faithfulness,
empower us to discern true kin(g)dom values,
and inspire us to embody the gospel this very day**

Hymn: MV6 *Holy Spirit, Come Into Our Lives* (1,2,3) K. Caredo

Prayer of Approach:

Holy Spirit, you are welcome in this space today and always in our lives. Oftentimes we focus on ourselves rather than on you, but we aspire to be better in our walk with you.

Remember and redirect our ways we pray, as we ask for your Spirit to dwell among us, leading each one on our journey. For your blessings we pray. Amen.

Scripture: *Galatians 5:24-6:10* [The Message]

This is part of our story. **Thanks be to God!**

Anthem: *The Gift of Love (O Spirit Come)* Folk Tune arr. Hopson

Reflection: Rev. Shelagh MacKinnon

[Video]

What does it mean to live by God's Spirit and not our own, to live according to God's values and not those of the world

Hymn: MV196 *We Will Take What You Offer* J.L. Bell
Using 'God' instead of 'Lord'

Offering Introduction:

Offertory Prayer:

Prayers of the People

We believe in God ... Holy One, in your love and mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Holy One, Spark of Life ... In your love and mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Holy One, Prophet of Love ... In your love and mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Holy One, Breath of Being ... In your love and mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Amen.

Hymn: MV98 *Like A River of Tears* (1,2,3) Oldham/Klusmeier

Blessing:

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So now we leave this space of worship And while so much of the road ahead is uncertain, the path constantly changing, we know some things that are as solid and sure as the ground beneath our feet, and

the sky above our heads. We know God is love. We know Christ's light endures. We know the Holy Spirit this there, found in the space between all things, closer to us than our next breath, binding us to each other, until we meet we again, Go in peace. Amen.

Postlude: *Quietude (from Ten Organ Pieces)* C.J. May