

**Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer**

**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 debts as we forgive our debtors and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

**\*Closing Hymn #302 *I Danced in the Morning***

**\*Charge and Benediction**

Leader: May the blessing of the Lord our God, the grace of Jesus Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit be with you now and forever. **Alleluia!**

Leader: In the name of Jesus, bring good news to the poor. **Amen.**

**Choral Benediction**

**Postlude** *All Glory Laud and Honor* arr. by Lani Smith  
*Belinda Vair, Accompanist/Choir Director*

Thank you to the Deacon's for providing us with this morning's coffee hour/fellowship time birthday celebration.

***Annual Congregational Meeting Following Worship***

***Thank You to The Rev. David Bennett, Stated Clerk, Albany Presbytery for leading this morning's worship service and moderating our congregational meeting.***

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**Next Sunday is the Ordination/Installation of new officers**



**LUKE 4:14-21**



**THE  
THIRD  
SUNDAY  
AFTER THE  
EPIPHANY**

**January 26, 2025**

**10:30am**

**WELCOME TO THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY WITH JOHNSTOWN FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. WELCOME TO ALL JOINING US HERE AND ON YOU TUBE  
THOMAS RUEHLE**

**Mission of the Month**

Doctor's Without Borders

**Prelude** *God Will Take of You*

W. Stillman Martin  
Belinda Vair – Accompanist/Choir Director

**Choral Introit**

### Call To Worship

The Rev. David Bennett

Leader: We praise you, God, for the diversity of your body.

**People: By God's Spirit, we are one.**

Leader: From diverse backgrounds and diverse places,

**People: By God's Spirit, we are one.**

Leader: From diverse cultures and diverse generations,

**People: By God's Spirit, we are one.**

Leader: From diverse questions and diverse dreams,

**People: By God's Spirit, we are one.**

Leader: We celebrate our diversity. We celebrate our unity.

**People: By God's Spirit, we are one. Hallelujah!**

Opening Hymn #473 *For the Beauty of the Earth*

### CONFESSION AND PARDON

Leader: Turning to God and following the light of Christ, let us in faith confess our sin and the sins of the world.

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Holy God, we confess that we have wandered from your light. We follow paths of self-indulgence, instead of focusing on our need of you. We passively accept the suffering of the world, expecting others to stand up and work for the change we would like to see.

**People: Lord, in your strength, renew us and compel us by your invitation that we may work to pursue your justice and mercy for all people, sharing your light in ways great and small.**

Leader: Let us take a moment for silent confession and personal reflection

### **Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: May the God of mercy, the Lord of strength, forgive you all your sins; and may the Holy Spirit keep you in new life. **Amen.**

### \*Gloria Patri

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.**

**As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.**

**World without end, amen! Amen.**

### Prayer of Dedication

Leader: Saving God, source of our calling, your Word is full of power and glory. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us so that we may receive your grace and live as your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Scripture Readings

1 Corinthians 12:12–31 (Pew Bible Page #174)

Christ's body has many different members; in the Spirit we are one.

Luke 4:14–21: (Pew Bible Page #61)

Jesus reads from Isaiah: The Spirit of the Lord is upon me.

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God. And we all say:

**People: Thanks be to God**

Anthem *The Joy Of The Lord Lives In Me*

Mock/Nolan

### Deacon's Birthday Celebration

Helen Thompson

Sermon "Anointed to Proclaim"

Rev. David Bennett

### Sharing of Joys and Concerns