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An Open and Affirming Congregation

Worship God, Serve our neighbors, Share God's love
Sunday Worship  January 9, 2022  10:00 am

Out of concern for the well-being of all, we request that everyone wear a mask.
* Indicates standing if you are able.
B = Black Hymnal  R = Red Hymnal

Prelude: All is Well

Welcome

Introit: Come Down, Lord

Call to Worship

*Hymn #164 B Arise, Your Light Is Come

*Invocation
  God of grace and wisdom,
  thank you for calling us into your church to be your people.
  We are here,
  ready and listening for your Word;
  speak to us,
  give us the courage to do your will.
  You have reached out to us in Jesus Christ,
  you have touched us with your Spirit.
  You love us even with all our doubts and fears and shortcomings;
  help us love each other.
  We have decided to follow Jesus;
  guide us by your loving Spirit.
  We pray in Jesus’ name.  Amen.

Scripture: Acts 8:14-17
  Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

A Time for Children of All Ages

Sermon “And...”
Offering
Call to Offering
Offertory: *Come Into My Heart*

Henry Clarke
1954 Hope Publishing

Prayer of Dedication

O God of life and light, thank you for the abundance of blessings you shower upon us each day. Out of gratitude for this wealth we lay our offerings before you. Bless them and bless us that as your church we will be a witness to all the world of your marvelous love and grace. Amen.

The Church at Prayer
Sharing
Pastoral Prayer
Silent Prayer

Lord’s Prayer: Our Father who art in heaven ...Amen
(Most in our congregation use "B" on page 9 in the black hymnal. Use the words that work best for you.)

Musical Response: *O, Lord Hear My Prayer* Taize Community

Announcements

*Hymn #82 B* Go, My Children, with my Blessing

Benediction

Postlude: *Joy has Dawned*

Getty and Townsend
2005 Thank You Music

Licenses: One License #A-732166; CCLI #1300459.

Please join together for food and fellowship in Fellowship Hall following the service

Join Worship

To join Zoom Meeting:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87562091923?pwd=MVpJT21NelpRck9wM1UyaUtBalZsZz09

Or, if using phone, dial: 1-646-558-8656

Meeting ID: 875 6209 1923 Password: 02054
**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Today, 1/9:**
10:00am – Worship Service, Baptism of Jesus

**Monday, 1/10:**
11:00am – 1:00pm Rev. Geary office hours
10am-12pm Monday Morning Crafters (On Zoom and in the Parlor)

**Wednesday, 1/12:**
11am – Bible Study on Zoom
12:00 – 2:00pm Rev. Geary office hours

**Sunday, 1/16:**
10:00am – Worship Service

*Save the Date:*
**Annual Meeting**
Sunday, January 30, immediately following worship

**Leadership Retreat for all committee members and elected leaders**
February 5, 8:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m., in Fellowship Hall

All Zoom links can be found at [www.millisucc.com](http://www.millisucc.com)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**M&Ms (Monday Morning Needlework Group)**
Mondays at 10:00am in the Parlor and on Zoom – all are welcome

**Rev. Geary’s Office Hours - In Person or on Zoom**
Mondays from 11:00am – 1:00pm, and Wednesdays from 12:00pm – 2:00pm.

**Weekly Bible Study**
Wednesdays 11am ~ All welcome
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Arise, Your Light Is Come

Isa. 60:1; 61:1-2; Luke 4:14-21

Ruth Duck, 1973

1 Arise, your light is come! The Spirit's call obey;
2 Arise, your light is come! Fling wide the prison door;
3 Arise, your light is come! All you in sorrow born,
4 Arise, your light is come! The mountains burst in song!

Show forth the glory of your God which shines on you today!
Proclaim the captive's liberty, good tidings to the poor.
Bind up the broken-hearted ones and comfort those who mourn.
Rise up like eagles on the wing; God's power will make us strong.

This hymn was first published by the Ecumenical Women's Center of Chicago in the 1974 collection of hymn adaptations, Because We Are One People. Ruth Duck later included it in her own collection, Dancing in the Universe.

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Tune: FESTAL SONG S.M.
William Walter, 1872

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Go, My Children, with My Blessing

Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone;
Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me;

Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own;
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.

In my love’s baptismal river I have made you mine forever,
Here my Spirit’s power filled you, here with tender comfort stilled you;

Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.
Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.

For marriage services, this stanza may be sung between stanzas 1 and 2 above.

In this union I have joined you husband and wife,
Now, my children, live together as heirs of life:
Each the other’s gladness sharing,
each the other’s burdens bearing,
Now, my children, live together as heirs of life.

American hymnwriter and translator Jaroslav Vajda crafted this benediction text as though God were “missing the congregation after worship, while drawing together a review of the events that transpired during the service.” The wedding stanza was a later addition.

Tune: AR HYD Y NOS 8.4.8.4.8.8.4.
Traditional Welsh melody
For another harmonization, see 425

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