



GRACE UNITED CHURCH
Worship Service

January 29, 2023 at 10:30 a.m.

Fourth After Epiphany

Minister: Rev. Ken MacDonald

Lay Presider: Maria Stevens

GATHERING TO WORSHIP GOD

Gathering Music (Grace Band)

**10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord
When I Look into Your Holiness**

**J. Myrin & M. Redman
C. Perrin & W. Perrin**

Welcome & Announcements - *Presider*

Acknowledgment of the Traditional Land – *Presider*

Lighting the Christ Candle

Call to Worship

One: What does the Lord require of us?

All: With what shall we come before God on high?

One: This is what God requires of us:

**All: To do justice, love kindness, and to walk humbly
with God. Let us worship God.**

Opening Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Praise and Worship 1 (Praise & Worship Team)

- 1. God of Grace and God of Glory** VU #686, vs. 1, 3 & 4
- 2. The Name of The Lord** C. Utterbach

Prayer of Confession

**Light has come into the world, but we love the night.
Love has come into the world, but we continue to hate.
Grace has come into the world, but we cannot forgive.
Hope has come into the world, but we are surrounded
by despair.
New life has come into the world, but we are tired.
Peace has come into the world, but conflict continues.
Joy has come into the world, but we are sad.
Judge us, O God, by your gracious love.
Forgive us, O God, and set us free. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Time for Youth and Young at Heart

Children leave for Sunday School

TO DISCOVER THE WORD OF GOD FOR TODAY

Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:1-12

Claire Cooper

One: Hear what the spirit is saying to the church.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: The Beatitudes - God's View of the Kingdom Rev. Ken

TO RESPOND IN FAITH AND HOPE

Offering Invitation

Offertory Music: I Surrender All

W. S. Weeden

in the setting of Ludwig van Beethoven's Sonata No.8
"Pathetique," Adagio Cantabile - arranged by Cindy Berry.

Offertory Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Praise and Worship 2 (Praise & Worship Team)

- 1. Come Touch Our Hearts**
- 2. I Give You My Heart**

**MV #12, vs. 1-4
R. Morgan**

THE CHURCH SCATTERS TO LIVE ITS FAITH IN THE WORLD

Commissioning and Benediction

Jesus said: You are the light of the world.
Let your light so shine, that the people around you
will be moved by the good things you do,
to glorify God in heaven. Go in peace. God is with you.

Postlude: We Will Glorify

T. Paris

Next Sunday we welcome Keith Mayers to lead us in Worship.