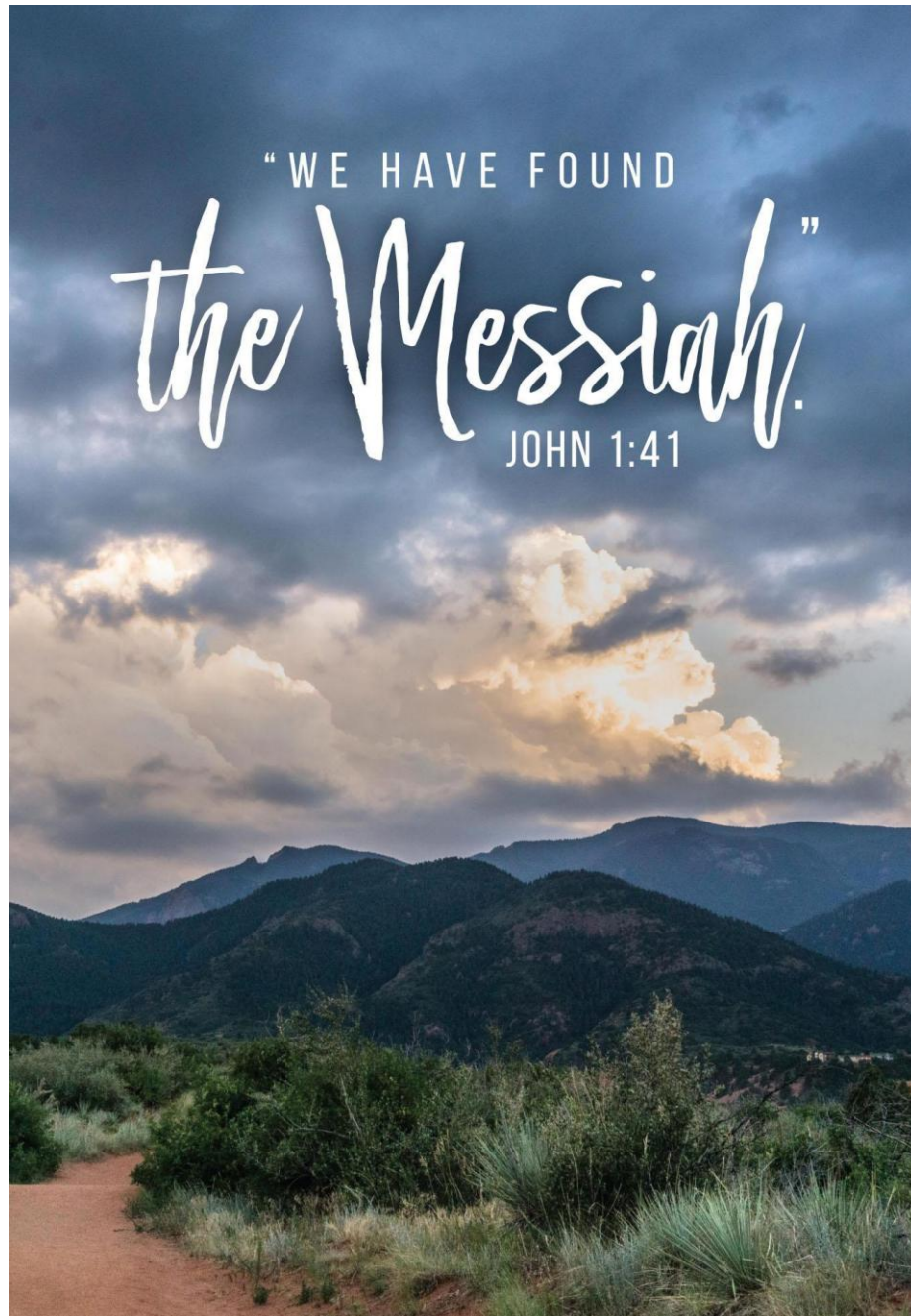


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*"To all who mourn and need comfort,
to all who are tired and need rest,
to all who are lonely and need companionship,
to all who sin and need a Savior, and to all who will,
this church opens wide its doors."*

Tappahannock Memorial UMC

Second Sunday After Epiphany

“The Difference Of One”

Isaiah 49:1-7; 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42

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Prelude

“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”

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Welcome & Announcements

Good Morning! I greet you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I welcome you to our time of worship today. I welcome those who are present with us in the sanctuary as well as those worshipping online via our Facebook and YouTube pages. We welcome your feedback as we continue offering in person and online worship.

We are tracking our attendance, so thank you in advance to all who will let us know that you have watched or read our service this morning. Please email our Administrative Assistant at tappmethodist@gmail.com, with your attendance information.

This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it!!

* Opening Hymn

“I Know Whom I Have Believed”

UMH #714

1. I know not why God’s wondrous grace to me he hath made known,
nor why, unworthy, Christ in love redeemed me for his own.
But I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able
to keep that which I’ve committed unto him against that day.
2. I know not how this saving faith to me he did impart,
nor how believing in his word wrought peace within my heart.
But I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able
to keep that which I’ve committed unto him against that day.
3. I know not how the Spirit moves, convincing us of sin,
revealing Jesus through the word, creating faith in him.
But I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able
to keep that which I’ve committed unto him against that day.
4. I know not when my Lord may come, at night or noon-day fair,
nor if I walk the vale with him, or meet him in the air.
But I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able
to keep that which I’ve committed unto him against that day.

* Call To Worship

Can you hear God’s call?

Christ’s voice is heard far and near.

Can you discern God’s Word?

Christ calls one and all.

God speaks of light and life.

Christ loves the mighty and the small.
The Spirit breathes joy and compassion.

We are called into fellowship together.

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*** Opening Prayer**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Holy One, may our spirits be polished arrows
in the quiver of your searching love.

May our words ring true with shouts of praise.

Use us, Gracious God, as instruments
of your mercy and compassion.

Fashion us into vessels of your abiding Spirit,
that a world torn by brokenness and pain
might touch your healing love

through our fellowship with you
and with one another. Amen.

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Prayer of Yearning

**Merciful God, when we succumb to despair
and get lost in our fears of inadequacy,
remind us who we are and whose we are.**

**We long to feel worthy of your love
and to rest secure in your call
to be a light to the nations.**

**Remind us, Loving Presence,
to speak words of hope like Isaiah,
words of encouragement like Paul.**

**When others ask us if we have found the Lamb of God,
give us the courage and the faith to boldly proclaim:**

“Come and see!” Amen.

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The Declaration of Pardon

Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;

That proves God’s love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Glory to God. Amen.

Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Anthem

“You Are My Hiding Place”

Choir

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Children’s Time

Pastor Becca

Scripture

Isaiah 49:1-7

pg. 679

¹ Listen to me, O coastlands; pay attention, you peoples from far away! The Lord called me before I was born; while I was in my mother’s womb he named me. ² He made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow; in his quiver he hid me away. ³ And he said to me, “You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.” ⁴ But I said, “I have labored in vain; I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the Lord and my reward with my God.” ⁵ And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength— ⁶ he says, “It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.” ⁷ Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, “Kings shall see and stand up; princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

Scripture

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

pg. 165

¹ Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, ² To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: ³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴ I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵ for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— ⁶ just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you— ⁷ so that you are not lacking in any gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁸ He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ God is faithful, by whom you were called into the partnership of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

* Psalter

Psalm 40

UMH #774

Response: O Lord, do not withhold your mercy; let your steadfast love preserve me.

I waited patiently for the Lord,

who inclined to me and heard my cry.
**The Lord drew me up from the desolate pit,
out of the miry bog,
set my feet upon a rock,
making my steps secure.**
The Lord put a new song in my mouth,
a song of praise to our God.
**Many will see and be in awe,
and put their trust in the Lord. R**

Blessed are those who make
the Lord their trust,
who do not turn to the proud,
to those who go astray after false gods!
**O Lord my God, you have multiplied your wondrous deeds
and your thoughts toward us;
none can compare with you!**
Were I to proclaim and tell of them,
they would be more than can be numbered.
**Sacrifice and offering you do not desire;
but you have given me an open ear.**
Burnt offering and sin offering
you have not required.
**Then I said, "Lo, I come;
in the roll of the book it is written of me;
I delight to do your will, O my God;
your law is within my heart." R**

I have told the glad news of deliverance
in the great congregation;
**lo, I have not restrained my lips,
as you know, O Lord.**
I have not hid your saving help within my heart,
I have spoken of your faithfulness
and your salvation;
**I have not concealed your steadfast love and faithfulness
from the great congregation.**
O Lord, do not withhold
your mercy from me,
**let your steadfast love and faithfulness
ever preserve me! R**

*** The Gloria Patri**

UMH #70

*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.*

*** The Gospel****John 1:29-42****pg. 92**

²⁹ *The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!”* ³⁰ *This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’* ³¹ *I myself did not know him, but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.”* ³² *And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him.”* ³³ *I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’* ³⁴ *And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Chosen One.* ³⁵ *The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples,* ³⁶ *and as he watched Jesus walk by he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!”* ³⁷ *The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus.* ³⁸ *When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?”* ³⁹ *He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon.* ⁴⁰ *One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother.* ⁴¹ *He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed).* ⁴² *He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).*

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This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Prayer before the Sermon

May the words of my mouth and the meditations of our hearts
be acceptable in thy sight, O God our rock and our redeemer. Amen.

The Sermon**“The Difference Of One”****Rev. Rebecca L. Minor***** Hymn of Response****“The Summons”****TFWS #2130**

1. Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don’t know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?
2. Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

3. Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?
4. Will you love the “you” you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you’ve found to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound and you and you in me?
5. Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I’ll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I’ll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

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Affirmation of Faith

UMH # 883

We are not alone, we live in God’s world.

We believe in God:

**who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

We trust in God:

We are called to be the church:

**to celebrate God’s presence,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.**

In life, in death, in life beyond death,

God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

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Sharing of Our Joys & Concerns

We want to continue to pray for the healing of the nations through this pandemic, and for all those impacted by: war – especially the people of Ukraine, Russia, Israel and Palestine; natural disasters; gun violence; and other catastrophic events. Remember those who have been in the hospital for treatments and surgeries, as well as for COVID 19. Remember those who are isolated with no one to interact with. Please continue to pray for: your prayer partners; our homebound folks; those in nursing, rehabilitative, and assisted living facilities; as well as for those on the front lines. I would once again ask that we pray for those who have chosen to keep their illnesses between themselves and God. While we respect their privacy, they still need our collective prayers.

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

UMH #895

**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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.**

The Offering

Please remember to keep your tithes and offerings current so that the ministries of our church can continue. You may mail them to P. O. Box 326, Tappahannock, VA 22560, use the E-Giving link available on our website www.tappahannockmethodist.org, or download our mobile e-giving app identified on the last page of today's bulletin. Thank you for your continued support!

The Offertory

"Make Me A Channel Of Your Peace"

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*** Doxology**

UMH #95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*** Closing Hymn**

"This Little Light Of Mine"

UMH #585

1. This little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine,
this little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine;
this little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
2. Everywhere I go, I'm goin'a let it shine,
Everywhere I go, I'm goin'a let it shine;
Everywhere I go, I'm goin'a let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
3. All through the night, I'm goin'a let it shine,
All through the night, I'm goin'a let it shine;
All through the night, I'm goin'a let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
1. This little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine,
this little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine;
this little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

*** The Benediction**

"Go Now In Peace"

UMH #665

Go now in peace, go now in peace,

may the love of God surround you
everywhere, everywhere you may go.

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* **Postlude**

“This Little Light Of Mine”

Thank you for joining us in worship!

PRAYER LIST

Faye Brooks, Frauke Darnell, Jean Edwards, Bruce George, Jim Glass, Bill Hendricks, Cindy Huber, Kelly Lafollette, Warren Minton, the family of Billy Mothershead, Thomas Mundie, Whitney Orlando, Nate Parker, Russ Riles, Jack Robertson, Jane Ruffa, Jay Ruffa, the family of Rev. Reggie Rumberg, Susie Shiriak, Colin Smith, Regan Smith, Alison Sullivan, Beverly Taylor, Thomas Tignor, Nancy Tiller, Jack Titmus, Marianne Towler, Biddy Acree Walker, Barbara Watkins, Ellie Wawner, Ashley Wind. Inclusion and equality for the LGBTQ family and friends. All affected by critical weather and violence, everyone who struggles with drug addiction and alcoholism, all missing persons, those who serve in the Armed Forces, students and educators, the people of Ukraine, Russia, Israel, Palestine, and Sudan during this time of war.

MILITARY DEPLOYMENTS

PRAYERS AND CARDS ARE WELCOME FOR THESE MEMBERS

Lee Black, Jean Edwards, Betty Gregory, Edna Parrish, and Barbara Watkins.

** Please contact the office for the phone number or address for these members of our church family.*

SERVICE AND OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

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| Today, January 18th: | 10:00 AM | Second Sunday After Epiphany |
| | 11:15 AM | Sunday School |
| Wednesday, January 21st: | 10:30 AM | Wednesday Morning Group |
| | 6:30 PM | Choir |
| Sunday, January 25th: | 10:00 AM | Third Sunday After Epiphany |
| | 11:15 AM | Sunday School |

All meetings are offered in-person and via Zoom unless stated otherwise.

***We seek to be the Disciples of Christ, welcoming all as we nurture
and support one another through service and outreach.***

Our facility is handicap accessible.

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