

First Presbyterian Church of Rolla
Worship Service on the Second Sunday of Christmas

January 3, 2021

Welcome

Prelude: *Almighty Love* – Tracey Craig McKibben

Call to Worship

Sing praise to God, who gathers us here;
from the ends of the earth we come.

**With a word of promise, a spring of water,
a loaf of bread, and a cup of wine,
God turns our mourning into dancing,
our sorrow into joy.**

Prayer of the Day

**God of every blessing, we rejoice that you have chosen us from long ago,
adopted us as your beloved children, and gathered us into your
presence.**

**Now make known in our hearts and lives your eternal purpose for heaven
and earth so that we may live, this day and always, for the glory of
Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Hymn: *Love Has Come*

Prayers of Intercession and Lord's Prayer

... O Lord, we pray: **come and save your people.**

Old Testament: Jeremiah 31:7-14

Gospel Lesson: John 1:1-18

Sermon: From Mourning to Dancing

Hymn: *On This Day Earth Shall Ring*

Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us open our hearts.

We open them to our God.

Let us give thanks to the Holy One, our God.
It is right to lift up thanks and praise.

Sharing the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation

Prayer After Communion

Charge and Benediction

Postlude: Hymn of Praise – Faye Lopez

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