

First Presbyterian Church of Rolla
Worship Service on Seventh Sunday After Epiphany

February 20, 2022, 9:45 am

Pre-Service Music: *Almighty Love* - Tracey Craig McKibben

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: *More Love to Thee* - Penny Rodriguez

Introit#706: *Commit Your Way to God the Lord (Psalm 37) vs. 1*

Call to Worship

In this sacred space, **trust in the Holy Spirit.**

On this sabbath day, **take delight in Jesus Christ.**

Among the faithful, **commit your way to the Lord.**

Worship the triune God with gladness!

Prayer of the Day

O Lord Jesus, make us instruments of your peace, that where there is hatred we may sow love, where there is injury, pardon, and where there is despair, hope. Grant, O divine master, that we may seek to console, to understand, and to love in your name, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen

Opening Hymn #403 *Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty* (please stand)

Call to Confession

Jesus teaches first by example. The one who says, "Do not judge, but forgive," asks only of us what he has already done for us.

Let us practice the Teacher's instruction in prayer.

Prayer of Confession

O Christ, the economy of your love is beautiful, expending goodness and extending lines of forgiveness beyond our imagining. The economy of our love is stingy and crooked. We invest love where it can be repaid. We spend mercy where it yields gain. We advance blessing we can bank on. We hold grudges with interest. We do all of this with no recognition of how deeply indebted we are to you. Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors, we pray with our whole hearts. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

How are the dead raised?

Through the death and resurrection of Jesus, our weakness gives way to power, our dishonor disintegrates into glory, and we are raised with Christ.

This is gospel!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Passing the Peace of Christ

Gloria #581:

Anthem:

Immortal Love

Eugene Butler

Time for sharing joys and concerns, and the prayer list.

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Worship leader will lead the prayers. God of Grace. **Hear our prayer.**

The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance, so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made.

Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith through Jesus Christ our Savior, who taught us to pray;

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. Amen

