

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany                      January 31, 2021                      10:00am

Gathering and Welcome

Call to Worship

One: As we take our first breath,

**All: The God of miracles is present.**

One: As we test our wings in adolescence and young adulthood,

**All: The God of faithfulness is ever with us.**

One: When things change and relationships are altered,

**All: God is there in the joy and in the sorrow.**

One: And when we snuggle into the status quo,

**All: Christ inspires us to embrace new possibilities.**

One: Wherever we are on our journey,

**All: God calls us to a new day, a fresh beginning.**

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Opening Hymn                      “All Creatures of Our God and King”                      No. 62

Opening Prayer

**With joy we come this day to the house of the Lord. God provides for us abundantly even when we doubt and fear, even when we turn away. God is faithful. Open our hearts today, O Lord, to hear your word for us that we may become faithful disciples of our Lord all our days. Amen.**

Joys and Concerns

Silent Prayer

Special Music

Scripture Reading                      Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Hymn of Preparation                      “In the Garden”                      No. 314

Scripture Reading

Mark 1:21-28

Sermon

Teaching with Authority

Pastor Sam

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

Closing Hymn

“Be Thou My Vision”

No. 451

Blessing and Benediction

**Large print bulletins and hymnals are available. If you would like one, please see an usher.**