

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF SCARBOROUGH

Singing Through the Liturgical Year - August 8, 2021

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP –from Psalm 118 (Responsive)

Pastor The Lord is our strength and our song. God has become our salvation.

People: Hear the glad songs of God's victory! We shall proclaim the deeds of our God.

Pastor: God has not given us over to death. The gates of life are open to us.

People: We shall enter the gates of life and give thanks to the Lord!

Pastor: We have been given light and love. Hear the glad songs of God's new victory!

People: With music, Scripture and prayer, let us now worship the Lord.

#Hymn No. 68 *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

SINGING THROUGH THE CHURCH YEAR

INTRODUCTION

Hymn No. 360 *I Love to Tell the Story vs. 1-2*

ADVENT SEASON: WAITING FOR THE MESSIAH

Scripture: Isaiah 9:2-7

Advent Reading

Hymn No. 114 *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel vs. 1 and 4*

CHRISTMAS SEASON: GOOD NEWS OF GREAT JOY

Scripture: Luke 2:8-14

Christmas Reading

Hymn No. 134 *Joy to the World! vs.1 and 3*

EPIPHANY SEASON: A LIGHT TO THE NATIONS

Scripture: Luke 2:25-32

Epiphany Reading

Hymn No. 162 *We Three Kings vs.1 and 5*

OFFERTORY

Offertory Invitation
Offertory Music

#Doxology – (#45 –Old Hundredth)

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.

#Prayer of Dedication (Unison)

Thank you, Gracious God, for hearing our prayers and meeting our deepest needs. Thank you for drawing us away from our self-serving pursuits so that we might give to others as you have given to us. Let these offerings fulfill your purposes, not ours. Let these gifts summon others to follow Jesus. And let what we have shared bring joy to those in need, that they might know your love in their lives and sing praises to your name. Amen.

LENTEN SEASON: A RANSOM FOR MANY

Scripture: Luke 23:33-49
Lenten Reading
Hymn No. 189 *Beneath the Cross of Jesus vs.1 and 3*

EASTER SEASON: DEATH, WHERE IS YOUR STING?

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 51-57
Easter Reading
Hymn No. 205 *Christ the Lord is Risen Today vs.1, 2 and 5*

PENTECOST SEASON: COMING AS WIND AND FIRE

Scripture: Acts 2:1-4, 14-21
Pentecost Reading
Hymn No. 220 *Breathe on Me, Breath of God vs. 1-4*

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION

PRAYER OF OUR SAVIOR (Unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

CONCLUDING WORDS

#Hymn – No. 464 *Take My Life and Let It Be* vs. 1-4

BENEDICTION (Unison)

Pastor: Like a rock, God is under our feet.

People: Like a roof, God is over our heads.

Pastor: Like the horizon, God is before us.

People: Like the wind at our backs, God is behind us.

Pastor: Let us now go out and transform the world, as God has transformed
our lives.

POSTLUDE

DISMISSAL