

# Grove Presbyterian Church

## Service of Worship (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany)

10:15 AM

January 15, 2017

### --Ready for the Word --

Announcements and Welcome  
Musical Prelude

### “Amazing Grace”

Invitation to Worship

*Leader: Praise God, all who dwell on this earth. Praise the Lord in the heights and depths of life.*

**People: Men and women, young and old, together: Let us praise and honor our Lord.**

*Leader: By God's steadfast love, we are drawn to worship. Our gracious Savior leads us in new ways. Let us worship God.*

Choral Beginning

### “Here I Am to Worship”

\*We Sing Together Hymnbook No. 485

### “To God Be the Glory”

We Confess Together

*O God, we have been so busy with things that do not satisfy. We have tried to fill our emptiness with activities and possessions that drain our energies rather than give life meaning. We excuse our own sin at the same time that we deplore the abuse and violence we see in others. We deny the witness of the one who shared our common lot, for we are not willing to take the risks of genuine love. Help us to see through all this, we pray. Amen.*

Declaration of Forgiveness

*Leader: Christ identified with us to show us whose we are. Christ suffered for us to help us in our times of testing.*

**People: Christ died to lead us to life in all its fullness. Now our merciful and faithful High Priest welcomes us to be at one with God and our own best selves.**

*Leader: We are forgiven, we are redeemed, we are lifted up to a life of true freedom.*

\*Response

Songbook No. 11

*Change My Heart, O God, make it ever true; Change my heart, O God, may I be like you. You are the Potter, I am the clay; mold me and make me, this is what I pray. Change My Heart, O God, make it ever true; Change my heart, O God, may I be like You.*

### -- Receiving the Word --

Passing of the Peace and Children's Story

\*Song of Praise

Hymnbook No. 421

### “The Church of Christ in Every Age”

[Verses 1, 2 & 3]

Prayer for Understanding

Old Testament Lesson (page 492)

Psalms 8

New Testament Lesson (page 219)

Hebrews 2: 10-18

Reflection

“And the Word of the Year Is...”

Musical Offering

### “Give Me Joy”

### -- Responding to the Word --

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

*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, for ever. Amen.*

Offertory

### “Fairest Lord Jesus”

\*Hymn of Commitment

Hymnbook No. 276

### “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

\*Blessing

\*Response – sung by the Congregation

Insert

### “Go Now in Peace”

Musical Postlude – please remain seated

### “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

\*Please rise as able

Participants in today's service include: Ed Thomas (prelude, offertory, postlude), Christian D. LaMotte (worship leader), Junior Choir (choral beginning), Cherub Choir (musical offering), Joy Christian (organist), Rev. Steve Cureton (reflection). Reflection for next week: “Sitting Idly By.”