## Mark 1:21-28

(NRSV)

They went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

Sunday Worship Service Preview ~ February 7, 2021 - 10 AM Online Rev. William S. Trump Rhonda Kwiecien, Keyboard Musician Indra Brusubardis, Soprano and Viktor Brusubardis, Cellist

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#### Our Covenant

As followers of Jesus Christ,
we commit ourselves to share in the worship and service of God,
to grow in the knowledge and expression of our faith,
to reach out with compassion to those in need,
to treat each other with love and understanding,
and to return to God a portion of God's gifts.

Isaiah 55:6-7

## SUNDAY WORSHIP IN PERSON AND ONLINE

Special Bylaws Meeting /178th Annual Meeting January 31, 2021 ~ 10:00 am 4th Sunday After the Epiphany

To access the service online go to <u>firstchurchtosa.org</u> - home page. Under **Worship** heading, click on **January 31st Service**.

WELCOME Rev. William S. Trump

THE PRELUDE Trio on *The Church's One Foundation (Aurelia)* by David Blackwell Rhonda Kwiecien / Keyboard Musician

THE CALL TO WORSHIP Paul Kwiecien

Seek the Lord while He may be found, call upon Him while he is near. Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts. Let him return to the Lord, that He may have mercy on him, And to our God, for He will abundantly pardon.

HYMN 484 (v. 1 & 3) The Church's One Foundation (See insert) Jillian Bruss, Mezzo Soprano

#### PRAYER OF INVOCATION

O God, our Creator and loving Parent, Your eye regards even the sparrow. You care for this world which You have made with compassion and tenderness. Through your loving Spirit, you seek to redeem Your lost creation and make it whole again. As You sent your Son, Jesus Christ, to be a servant, to bind up our brokenness and heal our wounded spirits, grant that we might be receptive to His healing touch through your Holy Spirit and set free to love. Hear us as we pray as Jesus taught us. . .

#### THE 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, forever. Amen.

#### INSTRUMENTAL RESPONSE

THE LESSON (see page 4) Mark

Mark 1:21-28

ANTHEM How Great Thou Art

arr. by Craig Courtney

Jillian Bruss, Soloist

THE MESSAGE "Good Religion"

Rev. Trump

SPECIAL MUSIC

*Great is Thy Faithfulness* 

by William M. Runyan

## PASTORAL PRAYER AND RESPONSE

OFFERING PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

INSTRUMENTAL BENEDICTION

THE BENEDICTION

#### MODERATOR CALLS THE SPECIAL BYLAWS MEETING TO ORDER\*

## Following the Bylaws vote:

#### MODERATOR CALLS THE ANNUAL MEETING TO ORDER\*\*

\*Participation and voting in the Special Bylaws Meeting is in-person only. You must register with the Office to attend the worship service, Special Bylaws Meeting and Annual Meeting in person. You must register by Thursday at 3 p.m.

\*\*You may *observe* the Special Bylaws Meeting and *vote i*n the Annual Meeting via Zoom. An invitation to the Zoom meeting will be emailed to all members.

The Chancel flowers are given in appreciation of all who support First Church through their love, their gifts, their time, their talents and their prayers.

# Caring Corner As of January 28, 2021

## Congratulations

**Hailey Sgarlata, d**aughter of Nick and Carrie, on her graduation from St. Norbert College with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Elementary Education and a minor in Math Education.

**Benjamin Hudson,** son of Carol Hudson, on his graduation from Queens University of Charlotte with a Bachelor of Arts in Communications and a minor in Entrepreneurship/Innovation. He also completed a Certificate in Commercial Real Estate through eCornell and has joined Generac Power Systems.

## In Our Prayers

*Richard Jacobus*, who is recovering at home.

Andrew Meser, son of John & Tracy Meser, who was injured in a skiing accident, and has been moved from the ICU to the Rehabilitation unit at Children's Hospital.

He is the grandson of Jeff & Retta Meser.

# The Church's One Foundation Hymn 484

The church's one Foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is His new creation
By water and the word.
From heav'n He came and sought her
To be His holy bride;
With His own blood he bought her,
And for her life He died.

'Mid toil and tribulation,
And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation
Of peace for evermore.
Till with the vision glorious
Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great church victorious
Shall be the church at rest.

Amen.

## Anthem: How Great Thou Art Text: Stuart K. Hine

wonder,
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made.
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

O Lord my God, When I in awesome

#### Chorus

Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to Thee, How great Thou art, How great Thou art. Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to Thee, How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

And when I think, that God, His Son not sparing;

Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in; That on the cross, my burdens gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin.

## [Chorus]

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation,
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration,
And then proclaim: "My God, how great
Thou art!"

Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to Thee, How great Thou art, How great Thou art. Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to Thee, How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

# Special Music: *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*Text: Thomas O. Chisholm

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions,
they fail not;
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see. All I have needed Thy hand hath provided, Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope
for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside!

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see.

All I have needed Thy hand hath provided,

Great is Thy faithfulness!

Great is Thy faithfulness!

Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!