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| January 17th, 2021 – 10:30amSpringfield Presbyterian ChurchOrder of Worship - Second Sunday After Epiphany Announcements Lighting the Christ CandleLeader: Whenever we light this candle we proclaim:**People: Christ is the Light of the world and center of our lives.** Gathering of the PeopleLeader: The Lord be with you!**People: And also with you!** [Greetings and Announcements]Call to Worship [Excerpts from Psalm 139] Leader: O God, you have searched us and known us.**People: You know when we sit down and when we rise up; you discern our thoughts from far away.**Leader: You search out our paths and our lying down, and are acquainted with all our ways.**People: Even before a word is on our tongue, O Lord, you know it completely.**Leader: You hem us in, behind and before, and lay your hands upon us.**People: Such knowledge is too wonderful for us; it is so high that we cannot attain it.**Leader: We praise you, for we are fearfully and wonderfully made.**People: Wonderful are your works; that we know very well. Let us praise our God! Amen!**\* Hymn      Brethren, We Have Met to Worship – GtG396Prayer of Confession **Generous God, in Jesus Christ, you came among us as light shining in darkness. We confess that we have not welcomed the light, or trusted good news to be good. We have closed our eyes to glory in our midst, expecting little, hoping for less. Forgive our doubt, and restore our hope, so that we may receive the fullness of your grace and live in your truth. Amen.**Silent Prayers of Confession Words of Assurance (responsive)Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**People: We are at peace! Thanks be to God! Amen!** The PeaceLeader: The peace of Christ be with you!**People: And also with you!** (You may greet those around you) The Proclamation of the WordPrayer of Illumination  Holy One, you are the giver of all light, and so we lift up our hearts and minds to Christ, the morning star that never fades. By the light of your Holy Spirit, reveal to us your saving Word and lead us to offer our lives to you in service and in love, through Christ our Lord, Amen.Scripture Lesson     **John 1:43-51** Jesus Calls Philip and Nathanael**43**The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Follow me.” **44**Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. **45**Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.” **46**Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” **47**When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, “Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!” **48**Nathanael asked him, “Where did you get to know me?” Jesus answered, “I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.” **49**Nathanael replied, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” **50**Jesus answered, “Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.” **51**And he said to him, “Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.”Sermon The OutsidersThe Response to the Word \* Hymn     God is Calling Through the Whisper – GtG140 Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer “For this I pray to God” / “For this I give thanks to God.”Congregational Response: “**Hear our prayer, O God.”**And now, in confidence and in gratitude, we say the prayer together that Jesus Christ, our Savior and Redeemer, 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 and 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.**Offertory Prayer Hymn     Here I Am, Lord – GtG69Charge & BenedictionLeader: Called from unexpected places,**People: The people of Christ come to serve.**Leader: And so we come,**People: Laying our pride down.**Leader: Ready to take up,**People: The mantle of servant leadership.** |
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