

First Congregational Church
February 23, 2014
Seventh Sunday in the Season of Epiphany

*Epiphany means "showing" or better, "showing up":
The Light shows up in unexpected (odd, outrageous!) places,
and we open our eyes and say "Oh look! It's God!"
Those who are able may stand where marked (*).*

Gathering #3 "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty" 1 & 3

Welcome and Announcements *Mary Menzies*

Opening Prayer

Prelude and Ministry of the Acolyte

Responsive Reading *Psalm 119:33-40*

One: Teach me, O God, how to walk in your ways,
and I will walk beside you forever.

**All: Open my mind; help me understand your law,
and I will follow you with all my heart.**

One: Lead me, O God, in your good and wholesome paths;
for that is where I find my true delight.

**All: Turn my wayward heart to the love of your good will,
and let me not be lured by selfish gain.**

One: Turn my eyes away from the pursuit of worthless things;
preserve my life according to your word.

**All: God, I am your servant; I am filled with trembling awe.
Remember all your promises to me.**

One: O do not let me fall into disgrace, my sovereign God;
let the goodness of your law be seen in me—

**All: for I am hungry for your justice;
I am thirsty for your word.**

O, by the power of your goodness, give me life!

Hymn #414 "O Word of God Incarnate"

Anthem "There Is a Redeemer" *Green*

Children's Time

Moments of Concern and Celebration
(Please fill out a blue card in the pew)
Pastoral Prayer and Savior's Prayer (trespasses)

Worship of God with our Tithes and Offerings
Offertory Music
*Doxology (#815) and Offertory Prayer

*Hymn #648 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Scripture: Matthew 5:38-48

Sermon: "What We Do For Love"

*Hymn #424 "The Servant Song"

*Benediction

*Response #3 "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty" *vs. 4*

Postlude and Ministry of the Acolyte