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3rd SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
January 22, 2012

“When God saw ... how they turned from their evil ways, He had compassion ... on them.” (Jonah 3:10)

Preservice meditation: Psalm 103 (in the pew Bibles, or on pages 145-146 in the red hymnal)

OPENING HYMN: 243 (red hymnal) “Oh, That I Had A Thousand Voices”

Service of Word and Sacrament, setting 2 (page 12 in The Worship Supplement)

First Lesson: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Our time here on earth is short. Keep God first in your heart and life.

Responsive Reading from Psalm 19

L: The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul. The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple.

C: THE PRECEPTS OF THE LORD ARE RIGHT, GIVING JOY TO THE HEART. THE COMMANDS OF THE LORD ARE RADIANT, GIVING LIGHT TO THE EYES.

L: The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever. The ordinances of the LORD are sure and altogether righteous.

C: THEY ARE MORE PRECIOUS THAN GOLD, THAN MUCH PURE GOLD; THEY ARE SWEETER THAN HONEY, THAN HONEY FROM THE COMB.

L: By them is Your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

C: WHO CAN DISCERN HIS ERRORS? FORGIVE MY HIDDEN FAULTS.

L: Keep your servant also from willful sins; may they not rule over Me. Then will I be blameless, innocent of great transgression.

C: MAY THE WORDS OF MY MOUTH AND THE MEDITATION OF MY HEART BE PLEASING IN YOUR SIGHT, O LORD, MY ROCK AND MY REDEEMER.

Second Lesson: Mark 1:14-20

Trust in Jesus Christ for forgiveness and eternal salvation, and follow Him!

The Apostles' Creed (page 15 in The Worship Supplement)

Children's sermon

HYMN: 779 (Worship Supplement) “Redeemed, Restored, Forgiven”

THE SERMON: Jonah 3:1-5, 10
CONFRONT THE SIN, IN THE HOPE THAT THE SINNER WILL REPENT

The Offertory, page 16 (Worship Supplement)

The Offering

HYMN 281 (red hymnal) “The Savior Calls; Let Every Ear”

Special Prayers, The General Prayer, The Lord's Prayer

The Benediction (page 21 in The Worship Supplement)

CLOSING HYMN: 771 (Worship Supplement) “Listen, God Is Calling”

WELCOME, VISITORS! We're very happy that you are here today! You are always welcome. Please leave a record of your visit in our guest book in the entryway.

TODAY: VOTERS MEETING AFTER CHURCH (instead of our Bible Study) in our sanctuary. WOMEN'S LUNCHEON at 12:30 PM in our FELLOWSHIP HALL. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WORSHIP at 7:30 PM at Calvary Presbyterian Church.

WEDNESDAY: MIDWEEK BIBLE HOUR: 6:00-7:00 PM. We're on 1 John 4:2.

THURSDAY: CHOIR PRACTICE: 6:30-7:30 PM.

SUNDAY: WORSHIP SERVICE: 10:00 AM; BIBLE STUDY: 11:15 AM.

NEXT SUNDAY Pastor Karp will conduct our worship, and Pastor Kesterson will conduct the worship in East Bay.

CLC NEWS: Pastor Michael Gurath has returned the call to serve as a foreign missionary to India and East Africa.

MEMBERS ENCOURAGING MEMBERS: Please let the pastor know if you would like to help with encouraging our inactive members to be an active part of our St. Stephen family.

FEBRUARY MEETINGS: On TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21 our ELDERS will meet at 6:30 PM, and our CHURCH COUNCIL will meet at 7:00 PM.

ASH WEDNESDAY is FEBRUARY 22. In place of our Bible Study we will have a WORSHIP SERVICE at 7:00 PM.