Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 4, 2024

10:00 AM

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

CHIMING THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF APPROACH

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (From Psalm 147)

Marty Pond, Liturgist

One: Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre.

All: He covers the heavens with clouds, prepares rain for the earth, makes grass grow on the hills.

One: He gives to the animals their food, and to the young ravens when they cry. His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the speed of a runner;

All: but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.

*HYMN (Insert) "You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord"

*DOXOLOGY HYMN #592

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)

God of power and patience, we gather in worship to wait on your presence and to be filled with your power. Jesus healed with a touch and taught us that you are the source of the true healing that can make us whole. As we take time now in worship to offer our gifts to you, we pray that they might be used to bring healing: of body, of spirit, of broken relationships; to your creation that is groaning under our carelessness and greed; healing of a world community that is deeply divided by distrust and self-interest. We pray this in Jesus 'holy name. Amen.

HYMN #280 "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

*CHARGE

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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*For those who are able, please stand.

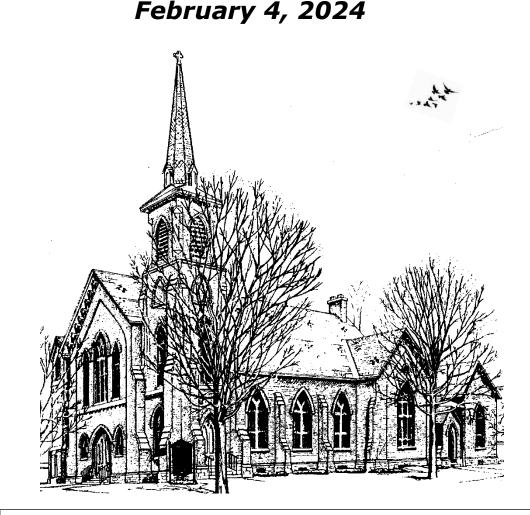
- Today's Ushers: Heidi Henderson & Martha Stevens
- Coffee Hour: today is hosted by Barb Winegard
- **Choir Practice:** will be held at 9:15 each Sunday morning before Worship.
- **Gospel of John Bible Study:** will now be held on Mondays at 4:30, in the Media Center.
- Worship & Music: Monday, February 5, 10:30 in the Media Center.
- Book Club: Tues., February 6, in the Media Center
- Session: Tuesday, February 13, 7 p.m. in the Media Center
- Ash Wednesday: February 14, worship at 7 p.m.
- **Presidents' Day:** Monday, February 19, the church office is closed.
- Deacons: Tuesday, February 20, 7 p.m. in the Media Center
- **Buckley Landing:** Peggy Suddaby and a few other Buckley Landing residents are taking a shopping trip to Walmart in Cicero on Feb. 15 at 2:45. A few volunteers are lined up but we are looking for one more to assist with their shopping and get them back to the bus. If interested, please contact Elizabeth in the church office, 315-635-9964.
- **Souper Bowl Sunday:** February 11 following worship. Bring a pot of soup or a dessert to share.

Remember in Your Prayers & Correspondence

Mark Chamberlin; Mimi Dundon; Carol Hovey; Howard Rose; Sandy Smith; Anthonia Todd

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Identity Statement

We are a loving family of God, following Christ by practicing our legacy of worship, education, and mission to neighbors.

L: Thank you, O God, for sending us your Son. He lived among us and told your story. He healed the sick and welcomed sinners.

He shared our pain and died our death, then rose to new life that we might live, and all creation be restored.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine that they may be for us the body and blood of Christ and that we may be his body for the world. By your Spirit unite us with Christ and one another until we feast with him and with all your saints in your eternal realm of justice and peace. Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it. Let us return to God the offerings of our life and the gifts of the earth. Let us offer them with joy in our hearts and a deep sense of gratitude.

OFFERTORY

CALL TO CONFESSION

Nothing can be hidden from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth, whose wisdom is endless, whose mercy is great. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Lord, today we confess that we often live as those who have never heard of you. We plan and strategize as though the outcome depended solely upon us. We worry and fret like those who have no advocate. Forgive us Lord, for the scheming and conniving we do to make sure that we have our own way. Forgive us Lord, for grasping at power when you are the Power, for seeking glory when all glory belongs to you, for not leaning upon you when we feel weak, or powerless or alone. Forgive us Lord, for relying upon ourselves and other mortals when we should turn to you. Teach us how to live more like those who belong to you and less like those who belong to the world.

One: Now that we have confessed as a body, let us take the truths that have troubled our hearts to God silently. Let us not be worried about the awkwardness of silence, as we take some time to focus on speaking with our God.

SILENT REFLECTION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: Gloria Patri #579

*PASSING OF THE PEACE:

One: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us share signs of peace with one another.

WE HEAR AND REFLECT ON GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON	Isaiah 40:21-31 red Bible p.880, black Bible p.668	Liturgist
MUSICAL OFFERING		
EPISTLE READING	1 Corinthians 9:16-23 Rev. Kirsty Dick red Bible p. 1395, black Bible p. 171	son-Maret
GOSPEL LESSON	Mark 1:29-39 Rev. Kirsty Dick red Bible p. 1215, black Bible p. 35	son-Maret

SERMON "In Bed with a Fever?" **Rev. Kirsty Dickson-Maret**

WE OFFER OUR LIVES TO GOD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*HYMN #374 "Lord, Make Us Servants of Your Peace"

CELEBRATION OF EUCHARIST

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

This is the joyful feast of the people of God! People will come from north and south and from east and west to sit at table in the kingdom of God. According to Luke, when our risen Lord was at table with his disciples, he took the bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. This is the Lord's Table. Our Savior invites those who trust him to share the feast that he has prepared.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

L: The Lord be with you.
A: And also with you.
L: Lift up your hearts.
A: We lift them to the Lord.
L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
A: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
L: We glorify your name and lift our voices in joyful praise.
Praise to you, O God, for all your works. You created the world and called it good and made us in your image to live together in love. You made a covenant

with us, and even when we turned from you, you remained ever faithful. Therefore, with all creation we sing your praise:

A: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.