5th Sunday after Epiphany

February 5, 2023 10:00 AM

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

CHIMING THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 112) Margaret Sollish, Liturgist

One: Praise the LORD! Happy are those who fear the LORD,

All: who greatly delight in his commandments.

One: They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright;

All: they are gracious, merciful, and righteous.

One: They have distributed freely, they have given to the poor and their

righteousness endures forever.

All: Let us worship together our God of Light, and reflect that light upon the world!

*HYMN # 263 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

We come before God not as despised sinners, but as beloved children. With the confidence of children of God, let us humbly confess our sin. 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.**

L: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

A: 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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

L: Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this sacrament,

A: united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal realm.

L: Send us out in the power of your Spirit

A: to live and work to your praise and glory, For the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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.

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY (tune is Old Hundredth) *HYMN #592

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)

Loving God, you continue to provide for our every need, even when our resources can dwindle over time. We trust that your love for us will be sufficient to supply all our needs. So with glad and generous hearts, we present our tithes and offerings to you, not counting the cost, but counting our blessings. Thank you for the opportunity to

demonstrate our faith in you by unselfishly sharing your bounty with others. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

*HYMN # 411 "Arise, Your Light is Come!"
CHARGE
BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*For those who are able, please stand.

- Today's Ushers: Martha Stevens & Heidi Henderson
- **Coffee Hour** today is hosted by Mark Chamberlin. Many thanks to Virginia and Fred Miller for providing donuts for this morning's Coffee Hour. They are a special treat. Thank you, Fred and Virginia!
- Worship and Music: Mon., Feb. 6, 10:30 in the Media Center
- **Bell Rehearsal:** We will not have Rehearsal on Mon., Feb. 6 or Mon., Feb. 20.
- Book Club: Tues., Feb. 7, 10:00 in the Media Center.
- Next week (Feb 12) is "Souper Bowl Sunday": We will bring back our tradition of Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwiches and assorted desserts in the CE building following worship. If you are able, please bring a pot of soup or a dessert to share. Whether or not you bring anything, please join us for a great lunch and fellowship before heading home to prepare for the big game!

Remember in Your Prayers & Correspondence

The family of Rev. Roger Pohl, a beloved, long-time member and former pastor of our church, upon his death; Barry Bullis; Ralph Cowdery;
Nancy Dobbins; Mimi Dundon; Lillian Olsen;
The family of Ava Wood

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First Presbyterian Church Baldwinsville, NY

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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.

PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION (UNISON)

Gracious God, we know that You ask us to share the warmth and saving grace of Your light with others, but sometimes we choose only to light up our own spaces, leaving darkness out in the world. Forgive our looking inward instead of outward and our tendency to depend on human solutions rather than to ask for the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Encourage us to follow the path You've set before us. We ask that You would shine Your divine light on our neglects, offenses, abuses, and all manner of darkness that has displaced Your grace in our hearts.

SILENT REFLECTION

Loving God, enable us to rejoice in what You find delightful, and to hate what You hate, so as to become more like You. Enable us to follow Your path faithfully, all the days of our lives. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Friends, forgiveness comes from God, who does not count our sin against us. For God has reconciled us through Christ, and entrusts to us the message of reconciliation. Believe the gospel! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Gloria Patri #579

WE HEAR AND REFLECT ON GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 58:1-9a **Liturgist**

red Bible p.904 black Bible p.688

MUSICAL OFFERING

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Matthew 5:13-20

red Bible p. 1173 black Bible p. 4

Rev. Kirsty H. Dickson-Maret

SERMON "The Salt, The Light" Rev. Kirsty H. Dickson-Maret

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*HYMN # 513 "Let Us Break Bread Together"

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.

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