

Hearing God's Call to Become Community

Prelude: "Lord, You Give the Great Commission" # 459

Welcome and Announcements

*Hymn of Gathering: "Be Thou My Vision" # 595

1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art. Thou my best thought by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
2. Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my redeemer, my love thou hast won, thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.
3. Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise, thou mine inheritance, now and always: thou and thou only, first in my heart, Great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.
4. Great God of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Seeking God's Mercy and Pardon

*Responsive Call to Worship 8:30am Nancy Kline/10:30am Jim Ward

"The Church in Mission" (insert) # 460

Proclaiming and Hearing the Word

Children's Message Rev. Schwartz & Abigail

Text *Matthew 5: 13-20* (NRSVA)

Message "Are You Salt & Light?" Rev. Schwartz

Time for Giving

Call for Our Offerings 8:30am Nancy Kline/10:30am Jim Ward

*Doxology: "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" # 46

Prayer of Dedication

* = *Please stand*

Receiving the Visible and Tangible Signs of God's Grace

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Congregational/Pastoral Prayer

Communion Meditation and Invitation 8:30am Rev.Schwartz/10:30am Jim Ward

The Lord's Prayer

*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*

Communion Music: "I Surrender All" SHR # 153

*Come forward to the Lord's Table to partake of Communion

Departing to Serve Where God Leads

Closing Hymn: "He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought!" # 545

1. He leadeth me: O blessed thought! O words with heavenly comfort fraught!
What-e'er I do, wher-e'er I be, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

REFRAIN: He leadeth me, he leadeth me, by his own hand he leadeth me: his faithful follower I would be, for by his hand he leadeth me.

2. Lord, I would place my hand in thine, nor ever murmur nor repine; by waters still,
o'er troubled sea, still 'tis thy hand that leadeth me. REFRAIN

3. And when my task on earth is done, when by thy grace, the victory's won, e'en
death's cold wave I will not flee, since God thro' Jordan leadeth me. REFRAIN

*Benediction Rev. Schwartz

Postlude: "I Am the Light of the World!" # 469

February 5, 2023

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany
Liturgical Color: Green

Matthew 5: 13-20 (NRSVA)

¹³ ‘You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

¹⁴ ‘You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden.
¹⁵ No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

¹⁷ ‘Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfil. ¹⁸ For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹ Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰ For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

L: These are Words from the Lord

P: Thanks be to God!

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Sunday, February 5, 2023 8:30am. ☩ 10:30a.m.

Welcome! May your Journey of Faith be encouraged while you seek God here today.