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*Our Mission...*

*to be an accepting Christian community dedicated to living, sharing and teaching the Word of God.*

*We respect all aspects of people including race, ethnicity, gender expression, sexual orientation, socio-economic background, age, religion, mental wellness, and ability.*

## The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023

*\*The asterisk invites all to stand, if they are able. **Bold** print indicates a congregational response.*

### **PREPARING FOR THE WORD**

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**WELCOME**

**LIFE and WORK of the CONGREGATION**

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT of the LAND**

*We acknowledge that we meet in Treaty 1 land, the traditional lands of the Anishinaabe, Cree and Dakota peoples, and the homeland of the Metis nation. We are thankful for these first inhabitants, and we commit to working together towards justice, truth and reconciliation.*

**THE LIGHTING of the CHRIST CANDLE and the UKRAINE CANDLE**

*May the light of Christ, rising in glory,  
banish all darkness from our hearts and minds. Amen.*

**And may the light of this Ukraine Candle  
help us to be mindful of our Ukrainian sisters and brothers in need.**

**CALL to WORSHIP**

*God's Spirit dwells in us,  
**for we are God's temple.**  
We belong to Christ,  
**and Christ belongs to God.**  
**Thanks be to God!***

**PRAYER of the DAY**

**God of blessing,  
you call us to be one with you and your creation  
in love, faithfulness, and truth.  
Help us to carry out the vows we make:**

**to adore you with our whole heart,  
to live in mutual support of one another,  
and to love as if your reign has fully come. Amen.**

**\*HYMN: VU #391 – "God, Reveal Your Presence"**

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(Tersteegen/Neander)

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- 1 God, reveal your presence: as we now adore you  
and with awe appear before you.  
Here in this your temple: all within keep silence,  
gather now with deepest reverence.  
You alone God we own,  
you, our God and Saviour: praise your name for ever.**
- 2 God, reveal your presence: hear the harps resounding;  
see the crowds the throne surrounding.  
'Holy, holy, holy!' Hear the hymn ascending,  
angels, saints, their voices blending.  
Bow your ear to us here;  
hearken, O Lord Jesus, to our humble praises.**
- 3 O great Fount of blessing, purify my spirit,  
trusting only in your merit;  
like the holy angels gathered all before you,  
may I ceaselessly adore you.  
Let your will ever still  
rule your church terrestrial, as the hosts celestial.**

## **THE WORD OF GOD**

### **LEARNING TIME**

### **PRAYER**

### **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 trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil:  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

Scripture Reader: Peggy Latimer

Hebrew Scripture: **Leviticus 19: 1-2, 9-18**

*The LORD spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy.*

*When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap to the very edges of your field or gather the gleanings of your harvest. You shall not strip your vineyard bare or gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard; you shall leave them for the poor and the alien: I am the LORD your God.*

*You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; and you shall not lie to one another. And you shall not swear falsely by my name, profaning the name of your God: I am the LORD.*

*You shall not defraud your neighbour; you shall not steal; and you shall not keep for yourself the wages of a labourer until morning. You shall not revile the deaf or put a stumbling-block before the blind; you shall fear your God: I am the LORD.*

*You shall not render an unjust judgement; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbour. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbour: I am the LORD.*

*You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbour, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbour as yourself: I am the LORD.*

CHOIR ANTHEM: **"Lift Every Voice and Sing"**

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(Johnson)

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The Epistle: **1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 3: 10-11, 16-23**

*According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ.*

*Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple.*

*Do not deceive yourselves. If you think that you are wise in this age, you should become fools so that you may become wise. For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written,*

*'He catches the wise in their craftiness',  
and again,*

*'The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise,  
that they are futile.'*

*So let no one boast about human leaders. For all things are yours, whether Paul or*

*Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future—all belong to you, and you belong to Christ, and Christ belongs to God.*

Response: *This is the Word of God.*

**Thanks be to God.**

\*HYMN: *VU #331 – "The Church's One Foundation"*

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(Stone/Wesley)  
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- 1 The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ our Lord;  
we are his new creation by water and the Word;  
from heaven he came and sought us that we might ever be  
his living servant people, by his own death set free.**
- 2 Called forth from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth;  
one charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth.  
One holy name professing and at one table fed,  
to one hope always pressing, by Christ's own Spirit led.**
- 4 Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of our war,  
we wait the consummation of peace forevermore;  
till with the vision glorious our longing eyes are blest,  
and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.**
- 5 We now on earth have union with God the Three in One,  
and share through faith communion with those whose rest is won.  
Oh, happy ones, and holy! Lord, give us grace that we  
like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.**

The Gospel: **Matthew 5: 38-48**

*'You have heard that it was said, "An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth." But I say to you, Do not resist an evildoer. But if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also; and if anyone wants to sue you and take your coat, give your cloak as well; and if anyone forces you to go one mile, go also the second mile. Give to everyone who begs from you, and do not refuse anyone who wants to borrow from you.*

*'You have heard that it was said, "You shall love your neighbour and hate your enemy." But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax-collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.*

Response: *The Gospel of Christ.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**WE RESPOND TO THE WORD**

**THE PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS**

\***Offertory Hymn: VU #567 – "Will You Come and Follow Me"** (The Iona Community)  
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- 1 Will you come and follow me  
if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know  
and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown,  
will you let my name be known,  
will you let my life be grown  
in you and you in me?**
- 2 Will you leave yourself behind  
if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind  
and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare  
should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer prayer  
in you and you in me?**
- 3 Will you let the blinded see  
if I but call your name?  
Will you set the prisoners free  
and never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean,  
and do such as this unseen,  
and admit to what I mean  
in you and you in me?**
- 4 Will you love the 'you' you hide  
if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside  
and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found  
to reshape the world around,  
through my sight and touch and sound  
in you and you in me?**
- 5 Christ, your summons echoes true  
when you but call my name.**

**Let me turn and follow you  
and never be the same.  
In your company I'll go  
where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow  
in you and you in me.**

**\*Offertory Prayer**

**Accept, O Lord,  
the offering we seek to make,  
of ourselves and our money;  
and grant that we may ever work and pray  
to build a world of peace and joy and freedom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## PRAYERS

**\*HYMN: VU #660 – "How Firm a Foundation"**

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(Roberts)

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- 1 How firm a foundation, you servants of God,  
is laid for your faith in God's excellent word!  
What more can be said than to you has been said,  
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?**
- 2 'Fear not, I am with you; O be not dismayed!  
For I am your God and will still give you aid;  
I'll strengthen and help you, and cause you to stand,  
upheld by my righteous omnipotent hand.**
- 3 'When through the deep waters I call you to go,  
the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;  
for I will be with you, your troubles to bless,  
and sanctify to you your deepest distress.**
- 4 'When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,  
my grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply:  
the flame shall not hurt you; I only design  
your dross to consume, and your gold to refine.**
- 5 'The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose  
I will not - I will not desert to his foes;  
that soul, though all hell should endeavour to shake,  
I'll never - no, never - no, never forsake!'**

## THE BLESSING

CHORAL BENEDICTION

**May the Lord go with you,  
let him take your hand.  
Keep His love within you,  
until we meet again. Amen.**

POSTLUDE:

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