## **WORSHIP CELEBRATION**

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany - Holy Communion

**February 6, 2022** 

10:00 a.m.

**PRELUDE** 

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you for worshipping with us today.

INTROIT

"Christ, Be Our Light" (verse 2)

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CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come with hope and expectation!

All: We bring our heart's desire.

One: Come with longing in your souls!

All: We bring hunger for life.

One: Come and seek God's wisdom!

All: We bring our hopes and dreams.

One: Come and worship our wise and gracious God!

\*HYMN "Jesus, Come, for We Invite You" (verses 3 & 4) No. 669

#### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(from Roberta Porter in, "Alive Now!" May-June, 2002)

One: Abundant life from Christ comes not in tangibles, but in gracegiven presence. We are being changed from self-serving people, grasping, needing...

All: to God-serving people, loved and freed, who in prayer and by the Spirit, strangely gain by giving away Christ's love, compassion and grace - abundantly!

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON Hymn "Tis a Gift to be Simple"

All: Tis a gift to be simple, tis a gift to be free, tis a gift to come down where we ought to be.

And when we find ourselves in a place just right, it will be in the valley of love and delight!

When true simplicity is gained, to bow and to bend we will not be ashamed.

To turn, to turn, it will be our delight, till by turning, turning, we come 'round right!

<sup>\*</sup>If you are able to do so comfortably, please stand.



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## \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON (cont.)

One: We come 'round right! Our sins are forgiven, thanks be to God!

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\*HYMN "Song of Praise"

## SCRIPTURE READING Luke 5:1-11

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

SERMON "Zebedee's Porch Light" Rev. David Mehl

\*HYMN "Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore" No. 347

#### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Pastoral Prayer (including prayer concerns) Time of Silent Prayer The Lord's Prayer

Our Father Who is in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, Your 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Prayer Response "Let the Church Say Amen"

Let the church say amen, Let the church say amen Altogether, let the church say amen.

#### **DELIGHTING IN GIVING**

(The offering plates are at the back of the sanctuary.)

Invitation to Present Our Offerings

Offertory "Trust Me"

\*Doxology "Give Thanks"

No. 359

\*Prayer of Dedication (Unison)

We give Thee but Thine own, whate'er the gift may be. All that we have is Thine alone, a trust, O God from Thee. Bless these gifts, O God, given from the heart, and give them winter wings to take flight to places of need, warmth and empowerment, in Christ's name. Amen.

#### CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table UCC Statement of Faith Act of Thanksgiving

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One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks for God's glory.

All: We give thanks; we rejoice in the glory of all creation.

One: All glory be to you, O God, who sent Jesus Christ into the world to live, born of a woman's womb, to die for us on a cross we made.

All: He came for us. Help us to accept his coming.

One: He stood among us, a human being, in our world, the place of conflict, and commanded us to remember his death, his life-giving death, until he comes again in glory.

All: We remember his death; we wait for his coming.

#### Words of Institution

One: The night he was arrested, the Lord Jesus took bread; he gave thanks; he broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take, eat, this is my body. Do this in remembrance of me." He also took the cup; he gave thanks; and gave it to them saying, "Drink of it, all of you; this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins."

All: Come, Lord Jesus, come!

One: Therefore, remembering his death, believing his rising from the grave, yearning to recognize his presence; in this place, now, we obey his command; we offer bread and wine; we offer ourselves to be used.

All: Accept our offerings, Almighty God. Send the Spirit of Life and power, glory and love, upon us and our gifts. May this bread and this wine be to us the body and the blood of Jesus, now and always. Risen Lord, live in us that we may live in you. Amen.

Offering of the Bread and Cup

Communion Hymn "We Are Many Parts"
Thanksgiving and Dedication After the Meal (Unison)

O God, who has so greatly loved us, long sought us, and mercifully redeemed us, we thank you for this supper shared in the spirit with your son, Jesus, who makes us new and strong, who brings us life eternal. We praise you for giving us all good gifts in Him. Grant us grace that in everything we may yield ourselves, our wills and our works, a continual offering to you: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

\*CLOSING HYMN "Called as Partners in Christ's Service" No. 581

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

GUEST PASTOR - Rev. David Mehl MUSIC DIRECTOR - Kim Kuda DEACON & LAY READER - Cora Rose MUSIC TEAM - Andrew Foster, Dale Magnuson, Sangho Nam, Kim Kuda

### **NEWS AND NOTES**

- 1. It is with a great deal of sadness, that we report the passing of our very active member **Barbara Connell** on Tuesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>. Barbara's obituary is printed on the Watson Funeral Home website, and a Memorial Service will be held at Hope Church at a date to be announced.
- 2. **Our Office Administrator, Shirley, is on vacation** until Monday, February 14. Please contact deacon Cora Rose at (401) 431-4002 during that time for assistance.
- 3. The **3M's** group will gather for their monthly luncheon meeting on **Tuesday**, **February 8** at 12 noon at Twin Oaks Restaurant in Cranston. **Everyone is welcome!** Please contact Sarah Tonole at (401) 392-1978 if you plan to attend.
- 4. The **Property and Finance Committee** will meet at the church on **Tuesday, February 8** at 6:00 p.m.
- 5. The "Get Crafty" group meets every Thursday from 6:30-8:00 p.m. You can bring your own crafts to work on or others will be provided. Leave your stress at home! Everyone is welcome!
- 6. Don't forget that "SCRIP" gift cards are still available to use instead of cash or credit card at your favorite retailer. Some gift cards are readily available or you can place an order for others. Please see Rick Bushnell or contact Shirley in the office for more details or to place an order. This is a great way to financially help the church!
- 7. Hope Church is open and ready to welcome any members of the community who are in search of a warm and friendly place to worship. Please invite your friends and neighbors to join us. In light of the emerging contagions with the Omicron strain of the virus, we are asking/encouraging people to wear masks, even if vaccinated, during worship. Everyone will also be expected to sign in on our contact list.
  - If you are unable to attend the regular worship service of Hope Church in person on any given Sunday, the following is the infomation needed to livestream the service on YouTube or any time after