Fifth Sunday after Epiphany February 7, 2021

<u>Gathering</u> God invites us to enter His presence

I Sing the Mighty Power of God	Kendall
Jesus Is My Life	Kendall

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship (Time for Silent Preparation)

Call to Worship

Prelude

Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy. For the LORD, the Most High, is awesome, a great king over all the earth. God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet. Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises. Let us worship the Triune God. Amen.

Invocation

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Mighty God, we do not yet see the glory you plan for all humankind, but in faith we do see Jesus. We thank you for the humility and holiness in which he lived and died. We praise you that he freed us from our sin, that he comforts and strengthens us through our struggles, and that he gives us courage to follow him. For this, we now join with all creation and shout for joy: Holy, holy, holy are you, Lord! **Amen.**

Ý Hymn 292

God of Grace and God of Glory

God of grace and God of glory, On Thy people pour Thy power; Crown Thine ancient Church's story, Bring her bud to glorious flower. Grant us wisdom, Grant us courage, For the facing of this hour, For the facing of this hour.

Lo! The hosts of civil round us Scorn Thy Christ,

Assail His ways! From the fears that long have bound us, Free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wisdom, Grant us courage, For the living of these days, For the living of these days.

Cure Thy children's warring madness; Bend our pride to Thy control; Shame our wanton, selfish gladness, Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wisdom, Grant us courage, Lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal, Lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal.

Set our feet on lofty places, Gird our lives that they may be armored with all Christ-like graces In the fight to set men free. Grant us wisdom, Grant us courage, That we fail not man nor Thee, That we fail not man nor Thee. A-men.

<u>Confessing</u> God invites us to be honest with Him

Prayer of Confession

Jim Fox

Father, we are sorry for the many times we have left you and chosen to satisfy our own selfish desires.
For the times we have hurt the members of our families by refusing to do our share of the family tasks.
Father, we have sinned. Forgive us.
For the times we were unkind and impatient with those who needed our time and concern.
Father, we have sinned. Forgive us.
For the times we were too weak to stand up for what was right and allowed others to suffer because of our cowardice.
Father, we have sinned. Forgive us.
For the times we refused to forgive others.
Father, we have sinned. Forgive us.

Assurance of Pardon

Jim Fox

I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. Leader: This is the Promise of the Lord All: Thanks be to God!

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, And to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, Is now and ever shall be, world without end. A-men, A-men.

Offering

Thankful of the gifts God has given us, we offer ourselves to Him

Invitation As God's dear children, then, take him as your pattern, and follow Christ by loving as he loved you, giving himself up for us as an offering and a sweet-smelling sacrifice to God.

Offering

*Please place your offerings in the plate in the back church on your way out.

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Offertory Faith of Our Fathers Bill Mecaughey—Guitar

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. A-men.

Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, we give our best, lest in gaining the world we lose life itself. As a covenant people, we seek to witness to your will and way. Help us to know more clearly what you would have us do with the wealth entrusted to our care. As we contribute to the needs of your people, we present ourselves as living sacrifices. Through Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Proclaiming God speaks to us through His Word

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading Colossians 1:15-23

¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ¹⁶For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. ¹⁷And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

²¹ And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²² he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, ²³ if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation²³ under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

Sermon

"Committed to Renewal" Rev. Tim Latham

<u>Responding</u> We respond to God's Word

Hymn

Dayspring

Lyrics by Charles Wesley Music by Alex Mejias

Christ whose glory fills the skies Christ the true the only light Son of righteousness arise Triumph o'er the shades of night Dayspring from on high be near Daystar in my heart appear

Dark and cheerless is the morn Were it ever without Thee Joyless is the day's return til thy mercy's beams I see Til they inward light impart glad my eyes and warm my heart

Visit then this soul of mine pierce the gloom of sin and grief fill me radiancy divine scatter all my unbelief More and more thy self display Shining to the perfect day

Sacrament of Communion

(Prepackaged Communion elements are in your pew.) (*Please dispose of your used communion packaging when leaving Worship. Waste receptacles are located at the top of the stairs)

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.** Leader: Lift up your hearts! **People: We lift them up to the Lord.** Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God! **People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise!**

Invitation to the Table

Leader: For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes Again! People: Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again!

Prayer of Consecration

Profession of Faith

- Leader: Let us now profess our faith along with the saints through the ages.
- People: I believe that the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and everything in them, who still upholds and rules them by his eternal counsel and providence, is my God and Father because of Christ the Son. I trust God so much that I do not doubt he will provide whatever I need for body and soul, and will turn to my good whatever adversity he sends upon me in this sad world. God is able to do this because he is almighty God and desires to do this because he is a faithful Father.

Prayers of the People/Lord's Prayer

<u>Commissioning</u> God sends us out into the world as His witnesses

Hymn 262 Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee; Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons blessed Trinity.

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,

Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, Which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see; Only Thou art holy—there is none beside Thee, Perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea; Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Benediction & Blessing

Organ Postlude

Divertissement

Young

Congregational Meeting