Fifth Sunday after Epiphany February 6, 2022

Gathering God invites us to enter His presence

Prelude Heaven and Peace Within Soliloguy

Sawyer Broughton

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship (Time for Silent Preparation)

*Call to Worship (Responsively)

Dennis Lesher

Let us worship God, our light and our salvation.

The Lord is the stronghold of our lives.

We desire to live in God's house
and to seek God in his holy temple.

We have come with shouts of joy,
to sing and to make music to the Lord.

Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

Teach us your ways and make straight our paths in this hour of worship and always.

*Invocation Dennis Lesher

You are the Sovereign One, O God, and rightly to be blessed. Your name shall ever be upon our lips. You have heard the poor and saved them from trouble. You have enlightened believers; their faces reflect your radiance. Aglow with the splendor of your promised redemption, we gather to worship you, ruler of nations. **Amen.**

† Hymn 262 Holy, Holy, Holy

Confessing God invites us to be honest with Him

Prayer of Confession

Dennis Lesher

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment. You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.

Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me.

Time for Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Dennis Lesher

There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

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 Each of you must give as you have made up your mind,

not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a

cheerful giver.

Offering

Offertory "Invention in D Minor" by JS Bach

Dan Baker

Doxology

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 (Responsively)

Almighty God, you have given us everything. Not only did you create us, but you provide for our every need. We give thanks to you, Lord, for you are good.

Your love endures forever.

When we turned away from you, you reached down to us. You lifted us up and freed us through the gift of your Son. We give thanks to you, Lord, for you are good.

Your love endures forever.

You are with us always. You watch over our coming and our

going. Your Holy Spirit guides us and leads us every step of our lives. We give thanks to you, Lord, for you are good.

Your love endures forever.

For your abundant grace we give you thanks. Gratefully we offer the gifts you first gave us. We give thanks to you, Lord, for you are good.

Your love endures forever.

Use our time, our talents, and our tithes for your glory. May it bless others with hope, peace, and joy. **Amen.**

†Hymn 68 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

<u>Proclaiming</u> God speaks to us through His Word

Children's Sermon Forgiving and Forgiven Celia Weber

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading Matthew 5:21-26

²¹ "You have heard that it was said to our ancestors, **Do not murder**, and whoever murders will be subject to judgment. ²² But I tell you, everyone who is angry with his brother or sister will be subject to judgment. Whoever insults his brother or sister, will be subject to the court. Whoever says, 'You fool!' will be subject to hellfire. ²³ So if you are offering your gift on the altar, and there you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, ²⁴ leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled with your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. ²⁵ Reach a settlement quickly with your adversary while you're on the way with him to the court, or your adversary will hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the officer, and you will be thrown into prison. ²⁶ Truly I tell you, you will never get out of there until you have paid the last penny.

Sermon "The Problem of Anger" Rev. Tim Latham

Responding
We respond to God's Word

Hymn Jesus, I Come

Out of my bondage sorrow and night Jesus I come Jesus I come Into Thy freedom gladness and light Jesus I come to Thee Out of my sickness into Thy health Out of my wanting and into Thy wealth Out of my sin and into Thyself Jesus I come to Thee Out of my shameful failure and loss Jesus I come Jesus I come Into the glorious gain of Thy cross Jesus I come to Thee Out of earths sorrows into Thy balm Out of lifes storms and into Thy calm Out of distress into jubilant psalm Jesus I come to Thee

Out of unrest and arrogant pride
Jesus I come Jesus I come
Into Thy blessed will to abide
Jesus I come to Thee
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love
Out of despair into raptures above
Upward forever on wings like a dove
Jesus I come to Thee

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb Jesus I come Jesus I come Into the joy and light of Thy home Jesus I come to Thee Out of the depths of ruin untold Into the peace of Thy sheltering fold Ever Thy glorious face to behold Jesus I come to Thee

Sacrament of Communion

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

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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

†Hymn 493 It is Well, with my Soul

Benediction & Blessing

This morning's Prayer Partners are Bonnie Mecaughey and Dennis Lesher

Postlude Christ, Our Strength and Consolation Broughton

**Please Note: The Annual Congregational meeting will be held today immediately following worship.