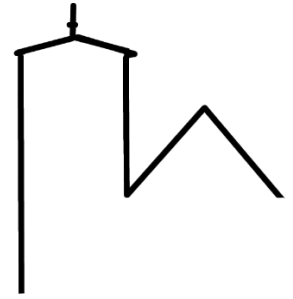


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1420 West Moss Avenue
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THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

6 February 2022

Ten O'clock

MOST HOLY GOD, the earth is filled with your glory, and in your presence angels stand in awe. Enlarge our vision, that we may recognize your power at work in your Son and join the apostles and prophets as heralds of your saving word. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

from the Book of Common Worship, PC(USA).

GATHERING IN THE PRESENCE OF THE RISEN CHRIST

THE PREPARATION

Pastorale

Darius Milhaud

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Rev. Clark-Jones

One: *We have come from different backgrounds on various roads to get here.*

All: **But we are all here seeking an experience of the holy.**

One: *Listen for the promise of God's steadfast love and God's faithfulness.*

All: **We are listening for God's call in our lives.**

***THE HYMN 486**

When the Morning Stars Together

Weisse Flagggen

**1. When the morning stars together
Their Creator's glory sang,
And the angel host all shouted
Till with joy the heavens rang,
Then your wisdom and your greatness
Their exultant music told,
All the beauty and the splendor
Which your mighty works unfold.**

**2. When in synagogue and temple
Voices raised the psalmists' songs,
Offering the adoration
Which alone to you belongs.
When the singers and the cymbals
With the trumpet made accord
Glory filled the house of worship,
And all knew your presence, Lord.**

3. Voice and instrument in union
 Through the ages spoke your praise.
 Plainsong, tuneful hymns, and anthems
 Told your faithful gracious ways.
 Choir and orchestra and organ
 Each a sacred offering brought,
 While inspired by your own Spirit,
 Poet and composer wrought.

4. Lord, we bring our gift of music:
 Touch our lips and fire our hearts.
 Teach our minds and train our senses,
 Fit us for these sacred arts.
 Then with skill and consecration
 We would serve you, Lord, and give,
 All our powers to glorify you,
 And in serving fully live.

Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1969
 Music: from *Tochter Sion*, Cologne, 1741

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*praying together*)

GOD OF THE UNIVERSE and Creator of all that is, we admit that we fail to be honest about our lives and in the politics of life. Sometimes we are deceitful; other times we judge ourselves harshly and feel unworthy of Your call on our lives. Touch us with Your grace and dispel our fear, that we may arise with renewed spirits to serve You, our true Sovereign. Amen.

***TIME OF SILENCE AND PERSONAL CONFESSION**

***KYRIE**

Tom Clark-Jones

Lord have mer - cy up - on us. Christ have mer - cy up -
 on us. Lord have mer - cy up - on us.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** (*music for this response is in the insert*)

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 6:1-9

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple.² Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two

they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³ And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory.”

⁴ The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵ And I said: “Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!”

⁶ Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷ The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” ⁸ Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me.”

*THE PSALTER

Psalm 138

Herr Jesu Christ

1. I will give thanks with my whole heart,
Before the gods my praise express;
I will bow down before your throne
And praise your love and faithfulness.

2. Above all things, O Lord, my God,
You glorified your name and Word;
I called and then you answered me
And gave me increased strength, O Lord.

3. All kings on earth who hear your words;
O Lord, will give you thanks and praise
And tell how great your glory is,
And they will sing of all your ways.

4. The Lord is high yet scorns the proud,
Protects the lowly on their path;
Although I walk in trouble Lord,
You keep me safe from my foe's wrath.

Text: *A New Metrical Psalter*, Christopher L. Webber

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Music: *Cantionale Germanicum*, 1628

EPISTLE: I Corinthians 15:1-11

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ² through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you — unless you have come to believe in vain.

³ For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, ⁴ and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, ⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶ Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷ Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸ Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹ For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ But by the

grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them – though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹ Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

GOSPEL: 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, ² he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³ 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. ⁴ When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.” ⁵ Simon answered, “Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.” ⁶ When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. ⁷ 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. ⁸ But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, “Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!” ⁹ For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; ¹⁰ 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.” ¹¹ When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

SERMON

Rev. Denise M. Clark-Jones

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN

Jesus Calls Us

Galilee

1. Jesus calls us o’er the tumult
Of our life’s wild, restless sea;
Day by day his sweet voice soundeth
Saying, “Christian, follow me.”

2. Jesus calls us from the worship
Of the vain world’s golden store,
From each idol that would keep us,
Saying, “Christian, love me more.”

3. In our joys and in our sorrows
Days of toil and hours of ease,
Still he calls, in cares and pleasures,
“Christian, love me more than these.”

4. Jesus calls us: by thy mercies,
Savior, may we hear thy call,
Give our hearts to thy obedience,
Serve and love thee best of all.

Text: Cecil Frances Alexander, 1852
Music: William H. Jude, 1887

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*affirming together*)

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living 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.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

THE GIFT OF MUSIC

In the Year that King Uzziah Died

David McKay Williams

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw, also, the Lord, sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple. Above it stood the seraphim: each one had six wings; With twain he covered his face, with twain he covered his feet and with twain he did fly. And one cried unto another and said, "Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of Hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried and the house was filled with smoke. Then said I, "Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts." Then flew one of the seraphim having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken, with the tongs, from off the altar; And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, "Lo, this hath touched thy lips, and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin is purged." Also I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then said I, "Here am I, Here am I send me, send me."

SEALING THE WORD

At the time of the Distribution of the EUCHARIST, worshipers are encouraged to use the bread and wine given out as you entered church this morning. Those worshipping at home via the world wide web may use whatever bread and wine are at hand as the food of the Supper. Jesus himself used the left-over bread and wine from the Passover Feast to institute the first Eucharist. So we, too, may use those things closest at hand for this celebration. Christians of any age or church affiliation are welcome at Christ's table, where Christ himself is the host.

INVITATION

One: *The Lord be with you.*

All: **And also with you.**

One: *Lift up your hearts.*

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

One: *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

All: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

COMMUNION PRAYER

SANCTUS

Tom Clark-Jones

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of hosts: Hea-ven and earth are_ full, full of thy glo - ry. Ho - san-na in the high - est, Ho-san-na in the high - est Bless-ed is he who comes, comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est, Ho - san-na in the high - est.

COMMUNION PRAYER

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATIONS

Dy-ing you de - stroyed our— death, Ris-ing you re - stored our life, Lord Je - sus come a - gain— in— glo - ry!

THE INTERCESSIONS AND PRAYERS

CONSECRATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER *[we pray together]*

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.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

COMMUNION MUSIC

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring

Johann Sebastian Bach

Jesu, joy of man's desiring, Holy wisdom, Love most bright. Drawn by thee our souls aspiring, soar to uncreated light. Word of God our flesh that fashioned, with the fire of life impassioned. Striving still to Truth unknown. Soaring dying, round thy throne.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN 538

Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

Sicilian Mariners

1. Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing,
Fill our hearts with joy and peace,
Let us each, thy love possessing,
Triumph in redeeming grace.
O refresh us, O refresh us
Traveling through this wilderness.

2. Thanks we give and adoration
For thy gospel's joyful sound,
May the fruits of thy salvation
In our hearts and lives abound.
Ever faithful, ever faithful
To the truth may we be found.

3. So that when thy love shall call us,
Savior, from the world away;
Let no fear of death appall us,
Glad thy summons to obey.
May we ever, May we ever
Reign with thee in endless day.

Text: John Fawcett, 1773
Music: Sicilian melody

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

Ralph Vaughan Williams

LEADING IN WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. Denise M. Clark-Jones, *Pastor*
Thomas Clark-Jones, *Organist-Choirmaster*
The Westminster Choir
Larry Hicks, *Video Producer*

WELCOME TO WESTMINSTER CHURCH OF PEORIA and this celebration of the fifth Sunday after the Epiphany. We greet you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ and pray this service will be a blessing to all who participate. We also welcome those who join with us through live-streaming on the world wide web. We pray that this will be a service to inspire and challenge your Christian life and service. This service is webcast at www.westminsterpeoria.org. It is covered by permissions granted by One License A 726060 for the use of musical portions of the service as well as to broadcast all music in the service with permission of the various publishers.

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THE FIRST CONCERT OF THE SPRING SEASON OF THE IBEN SERIES takes place on Sunday afternoon, February 20 at four. Vocalist Jamika Welch presents a program of African-American Spirituals accompanied by the Westminster Jazz Ensemble under the direction of David Hoffmann. David also has some music just for the band that you are sure to enjoy. Admission is free to the concert, held in the recognition of Black Music month. The rich tradition of the African-American spiritual in the music of the United States is impossible to overestimate. The very roots of jazz are born of the spiritual. And much of contemporary American popular music traces its roots back to this tradition. The Spiritual, like the Psalms, expresses the deepest longings of mankind and the entire gamut of emotion from grief to exuberant joy. Come and join us for this important and inspirational program. Seating will be limited to 75 persons in the congregation to keep with state suggestions for public safety during the Covid crisis. Also, only fully vaccinated persons should be in our congregation for a large event like this as well as everyone present wearing masks. If you forget yours, masks will be available at the door. Social distancing will also be enforced during this event. Thank you for your cooperation. So far, we have had a safe church in which to worship and enjoy music. We are grateful for this blessing from God and from the cooperation of our entire church community.

THIS MORNING'S ANTHEM is a dramatic musical interpretation of the words of Isaiah 6 ... the text for the morning, was composed by David McK. Williams in the early 1940's. Williams was Organist-Choirmaster at St. Bartholomew's Church on Park Avenue in New York at the time, and was well known for his dramatic flare in the church's music program. Williams wrote a number of dramatic anthems like this, but this is the one that has survived and flourished. He seems to capture the drama of this text perfectly, making it a joy to sing, and hear.

The Westminster Choir is funded in part by a generous grant from the Gretchen R. Iben Arts Fund of Westminster Church.

*We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your abundant and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much as to gather up
the crumbs under your table;
but you are the same Lord
whose character is always to have mercy.
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.*

OPEN HANDS, OPEN HEARTS, OPEN MINDS

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Tom Clark-Jones

Cantor Congregation

Glo - ry be to God on High. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to God's peo - ple on earth. Lord God, hea - ven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther; we wor - ship You, we
give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo - ry.
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:
You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of God the Fa - ther;
re - ceive our prayer. For you are the Ho - ly One,
You a - lone art the Lord, You a - lone art the Most High,
Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.
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