

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Epiphany
February 5, 2023 10:00 am

\*please rise as you are able, in body or spirit.

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP\*

Praise the Lord!

Happy are those who worship the Lord, who delight in God's commandments.

The righteous will never be moved; they will be remembered forever.

HYMN\* "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" 377

1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.

### Refrain:

In him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus. (Refrain)

2 I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus. Clear Sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father. (Refrain)

3 I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I want to be with Jesus. When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus. (Refrain)

PRAYER OF PRAISE\*

CONFESSION OF SIN (UNISON)

O God, we have asked for your righteous judgment against others, but we have not acknowledged the sin in our own lives. We have worshiped you with our lips, but have dishonored you with our actions. We have prayed for you to end the suffering in our world, yet we have not practiced compassion and generosity toward others. Forgive our self-righteousness and give us integrity of heart, that we may shine forth the light of your salvation.

(silence)

Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Kyrie eleison. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON / PASSING OF THE PEACE\*

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen. (3x) As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

A TIME WITH CHILDREN - Light

OLD TESTAMENT – Isaiah 58:9b-12

Clark Gaylord

OFFERING OF MUSIC - "Alabaré"

Adult Choir

GOSPEL\* - Matthew 5:13-20

**SERMON** 

Dr. Linda Dickerson

"Living in the Light of God: Shiny and Salty"

SAYING WHAT WE BELIEVE (A Declaration of Faith)

We believe Christ gives us and demands of us personal lives that are centered in God and open to God's reality and rule. Christ teaches us to put obedience to God above the interests of self, family, race, or nation; to offer God joyously our money, ability, and time. Life in God's presence issues in life for others, for if we do not love sisters and brothers whom we see, we cannot love God whom we do not see.

## SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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

... and with all creation we sing your praise, saying,
Holy, holy, God of power and might, Heaven and
earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

... we declare the mystery of faith,

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

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.

Sharing of Bread and Cup (by intinction)

Prayer: Gracious God, you have gathered us at this table with all your people in heaven and on earth. We have been nourished by the living bread, Jesus Christ, and we have been refreshed by the power of your Holy Spirit. May we now go out as glad disciples of our Lord, following in his way, proclaiming his truth, and living his love for the world. Amen.

1 Christ be beside me; Christ be before me; Christ be behind me, King of my heart. Christ be within me; Christ be below me; Christ be above me, never to part.

2 Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand, Christ all around me, shield in the strife. Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting, Christ in my rising, Light of my life.

3 Christ be in all hearts thinking about me; Christ be on all tongues telling of me. Christ be the vision in eyes that see me; in ears that hear me Christ ever be.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION\*

CHORAL RESPONSE\*

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God, be the love to search and keep me; God, be the prayer to move my voice; God, be the strength to now uphold me: O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.

**POSTLUDE** 

FELLOWSHIP TIME - All are Welcome!

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES

## Please be in prayer for:

Revathi Balakrishnan	Herbert Payne	Lindsay Salany
Ron Pearson	Susan Dickerson	Wanda Price
Tammy McClintock	Gavin Adams	Pat Robinson
Brenda Payne	Karen McCollum	Olyvia Harter
Charles Allen	Hugh & Candy Springer	Corrie Lawson
Lou Brown	Edd Stoops	Justin Michael
Larry & Karen Rogers	Harvey Sowers	Betty Simpkins
Norma Williams		

Names will be kept on the prayer list for one month, then removed. If you think folks should continue to be on the prayer list longer than a month, please contact Martha McMahan.

Musicians: Marya Katz, Charles Bostian, Ann Marie Conner, Jack Webster, Pat Fullen, Adult Choir (varies)

Video Technicians – Marshall Chaney, Bruce Harper, Alex Chaney

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

February 8 – Women's Bible Study, 1:30 pm

February 12 – Souper Bowl of Caring, Committees meet after Sunday School

February 14 – Feed the Flock at UKirk (see Mary Lough if you would like to help)

February 16 – Presbytery of the Peaks meeting Sue Bentley, Linda Dickerson, commissioners

February 19 – Stated Session meeting

February 20 – President's Day, church office closed

February 22 – Ash Wednesday – Lent begins

February 26 – First Sunday in Lent, Communion (we will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper each Sunday in Lent)



**SOUPER BOWL OF CARING** – Either the Philadelphia Eagles or Kansas City Chiefs will kick off the Super Bowl on February 12th but we can all be winners now by contributing to the local Food Pantry. The Souper Bowl of Caring is underway and donations are coming in. Be sure to "vote" for your favorite team with your canned goods. Join the Northside team to help those in our community in need of food by filling the boxes by the side door. Thanks!

#### THE CHURCH DIRECTORY

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Bruce Harper	Chair, Human Resources Committee
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#### THE SESSION

Sue Bentley. clerk

Class of 2023	Class of 2024	Class of 2025
Clark Gaylord	Ann Marie Conner	Sue Bentley
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Class of 2023	Class of 2024	Class of 2025
Sophia Frimpong	Lisa Garcia	Frieda Bostian
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Memorials Board: Charles Bostian (ch.), Caryl Gray, Nedra Underwood

We welcome each person who is visiting with our congregation this morning and extend a special invitation for you to make Northside church your home. Members and visitors, please use prayer request station to alert the church to pastoral needs or concerns.

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9:00 AM – Noon (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday)

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