



February 9, 2025

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

GATHERING IN THE LORD'S PRESENCE

Boldface = All speak

❖ = All who are able, please stand.

PRELUDE "Be Thou My Vision" *Irish Folk Tune, Arr. by John Carter*
"Holy, Holy, Holy" *Spanish Melody, Arr. by John Carter*

WELCOME

CHORAL INTROIT "For the Life That You Have Given"
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❖ **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Jesus promises that when we gather, God is present.

God is with us here. God is with us today.

Let us praise our Creator, the Alpha and Omega, the Almighty saying,
"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

The Lord of hosts is here. Let us ground ourselves in worship.

Come, let us worship God!

❖ **HYMN** "Holy, Holy, Holy" **#1**
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❖ **CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER**

Merciful God, forgive us for the ways we have fallen short. You ask us to look to the margins and care for the lost; we center ourselves. You ask us to give away; we grab for more. You ask us to love one another; we cannot see beyond our divisions.

The world is full of violence, from the macro to the micro. (a time for silent confession) Loving God, forgive us. Help us. We call on you, our beloved, our help, our hope, our God. Amen.

❖ **ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE**

❖ **AFFIRMING THE PEACE AMONG US**

The peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

The children may go back to Sunday School at this time.

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HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*adapted from Psalm 19:14*)

Holy God, as we prepare to read your living Word, open our hearts, our ears and our eyes that we may encounter your Spirit. Amen.

1st SCRIPTURE Isaiah 6:1-8, pg. 981
Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. Thanks be to God.

CHORAL ANTHEM..... "Just Two Words"
(Words and music by Herb Frombach, arr. by Robert Lau)

2nd SCRIPTURE Luke 5:1-11, pg. 1466
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MESSAGEThe Rev. Sara K. Snowden

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

❖**HYMN** "I, the Lord of Sea and Sky" **#69**
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❖**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*Excerpts from A Brief Statement of Faith*)

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus

from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*p. 35 in the hymnal*)

OFFERING AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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GOING FORTH TO SERVE

OPPORTUNITIES TO CONNECT & SERVE

❖**HYMN** "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound" **#649**
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❖SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE..... "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"
Indian Folk Tune, Arr. by John Carter

Pastor: The Rev. Sara K. Snowden

Lector: David Wroth

Greeter: Sue Cory

Worship Pianist: Amy Dickman

Offering Counters: Duncan Cory and Darly Doyle

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