Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

5th Sunday after Epiphany

February 6, 2022

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Holy One,

by your grace we are you own.
Stir up in us the desire to follow you,
that your grace toward us may not be in vain
but may become our motivation
to go where you send us. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Seed Scattered D. Feiten

Michael Yeager, piano

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God asks, "Whom shall I send?"

Here I am.

Jesus says, "Follow me and share in my work."

Here I am.

The Holy Spirit gathers each one of us for worship.

Here we are to worship God.

*SONG OF PRAISE Jesus, We are Here Hymnal, No. 392

*CONFESSION AND PARDON

Merciful God,

you call, but we seldom hear.

You beckon, yet we turn away.

Sin keeps us from responding to you,

thwarting even our best efforts.

Forgive our lack of attention to things that matter

and restore our sense of your priorities.

Focus us on your call to worship and service as we seek to follow after Jesus Christ.

(Time of silent reflection)

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Not even death can separate us from God's love.

This is good news!

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

*THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

*SONG OF RESPONSE Glory Be to the Father

Hymnal, No. 581

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

Melissa Gill

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 6:1-8

Page No. 553

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 138

I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise;

I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness; for you have exalted your name and your word above everything.

On the day I called, you answered me, you increased my strength of soul.

All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord, for they have heard the words of your mouth.

They shall sing of the ways of the Lord, for great is the glory of the Lord.

For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly; but the haughty he perceives from far away.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies; you stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me.

The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 5:1-11 Page No. 836

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE If You Say So Tracy L. Evans

*SONG OF FAITH Seed, Scattered and Sown Hymnal, p. 531

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

God's sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of the human mind. Human thought ascribes to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But God reveals divine love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful men and women. The power of God's love in Christ to transform the world

discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of God's love.

Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.15

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Response:... O God of grace, bless us with peace.

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY He Leadeth Me arr. Jerry Ray

*DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Hymnal, No. 606

*DEDICATION PRAYER

SEALING THE WORD-CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

Therefore with all creation we sing your praise:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, 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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

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

LORD'S PRAYER Hymnal, p. 35

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE COMMUNION MUSIC

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

*POSTLUDE Crown Him With Many Crowns

arr. Jerry Ray

*Please rise in body or spirit.

We invite anyone who wishes to consider membership in this church to contact the pastor or a member of the session. You may also indicate interest in membership by checking the appropriate column in the ritual of friendship booklet. Membership in this church is a step made by profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith or transfer of church letter.

Lectionary Readings for February 13: Jeremiah 17:5-10 and Psalm 1; 1 Corinthians 15:12 -20: Luke 6:17-26.

We are truly grateful for you joining us today, in person or via live streaming. This is new for us all, and we thank you for your patience with this new way. We will be adapting and changing as we work together to worship with devotion and safety protocols. If you have comments or suggestions, please let the pastor or a worship committee member know.

The Food & Shelter item of the month for **February is cereal.** Please place your donations in the box by the church information table

Hearing-assistance devices and **large print hymnals** are available from the head usher.