

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 6, 2022

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

“Fuga” from *Sonata No. 3 in C-major*, BWV 1005

J.S. Bach

Jamie Monck, guitar

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

11 a.m. INTROIT

Deck Yourself, My Soul, with Gladness

SCHMÜCKE DICH, O LIEBE SEELE

Deck yourself, my soul, with gladness, Leave behind all gloom and sadness;
Come into the daylight's splendor, There with joy your praises render
Unto God, whose grace unbounded Has this wondrous banquet founded;
At this feast the Lord most holy Comes to you in likeness lowly.

11 a.m. PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

*HYMN 35

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION *read in unison*

Gracious, inviting God,
you continually provide us with opportunities
to practice generous hospitality.
But our fear of difference,
reluctance to share,
and desire to be in control
make our welcome appear weak and insincere.
Because we long for what is familiar and comfortable,
we have difficulty honoring the stranger as a sacred guest
who bears the face of Christ.
Worn out and irritated by the work we think we must do,
we miss opportunities to receive the gifts that such guests offer us.
Forgive us, O God, for focusing on the wrong things.
Remind us of your will so that we may welcome the face of Christ in our midst.

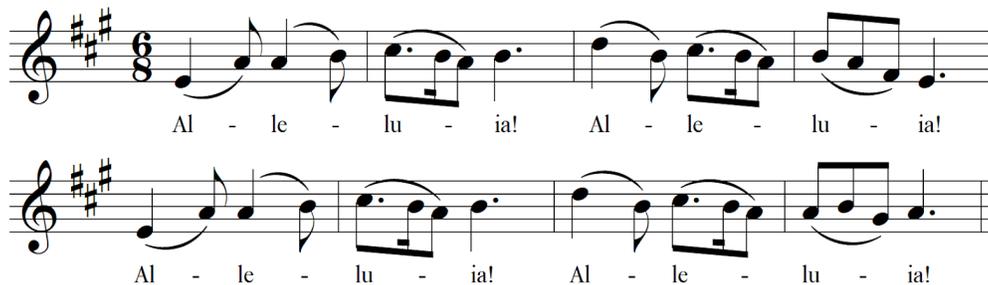
Time for silent prayer.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

***RESPONSE**

Alleluia!

CELTIC ALLELUIA



***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

11 a.m. Children ages 3 through completed 3rd graders are welcome to come forward and be dismissed through the side door for activities.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Genesis 18:1–10a

SECOND READING

Luke 10:38–42

SERMON

First Things First

Rev. Steve Jester

THE RESPONSE

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Nicene Creed

Found on Page 34 in the Glory to God hymnal

11 a.m. ***HYMN 523**

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

BICENTENNIAL

ALL sing refrain; vs. 1: men, vs.3: women, vs. 5: ALL

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE 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.

Loving God...we join with angels and saints in this joyful hymn of 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.

...So together, we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION "Sarabande" from *Partita No. 1 in B-minor*, BWV 1002 Bach
Jamie Monck, guitar

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SHARING GRACE

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Please see the information on the inside of the front cover of the bulletin about ways to give. You are invited to pass the Friendship Pad found at the end of the pew.

OFFERTORY

The Best of Rooms

Randall Thompson

Christ, he requires still, wheresoever he comes to feed or lodge,
To have the best of rooms.
Give Him the choice; grant Him the nobler part of all the house.
The best of all's the heart. *Robert Herrick, 17th century*

***DOXOLOGY 620**

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

LAUDA ANIMA

**Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet your tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored forgiven, evermore his praises sing:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.**

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

THE SENDING

***HYMN 182**

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say
vs. 1 & 2

KINGSFOLD

***BLESSING**

POSTLUDE

"Gavotte en Rondeau" from *Partita No. 3 in E-major*, BWV 1006

Bach

Jamie Monck, guitar

*We are called to go out from our worship to share the grace of God with one another and the world.
You are welcome to remain seated for the postlude or exit quietly.*

IN WORSHIP TODAY

PRESENTING THE MEANS OF GRACE

Our life is in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. The Bible is the written witness to Jesus Christ, therefore it is "The Word of Life." Our lives are claimed by God through our baptism. It is God's seal on who we are as the children of God, therefore it is "The Font of Identity." The Table is the center of our home in the Body of Christ, the place where we are welcomed, renewed, and strengthened for the life to which we are called, therefore it is "The Table of Sustenance."

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are given in loving memory of Barbara and George Dudley by their family.

USHERS 8:30 a.m.: Henry Snyder, Tom Tyrrell

11:00 a.m.: Connie Smith, Gene Smith, Walt Tucker, Odetta Tucker, Crystal Kannapell

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Steve Jester, preacher; Rev. Jordan Akin, liturgist; Jane Roth, lay reader

The Octet (8:30 a.m.); Sanctuary Choir (11:00 a.m.); Jamie Monck, Guitarist; Jim Rittenhouse, Director; Samuel Libra, Organist;

Evan Vicic, audio/video engineer; Brandon Hughes, camera

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WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER

Nancy Helm Thomas and her family in the death of her sister, Louise Helm Bessire, 1/25/22.

Betty Gibbs and her family on the death of her husband, George, 1/23/22.

David Wood and his family on the death of his sister, Becky DeCamp.

Patty Dailey and her family on the death of her sister-in-law, Vickie Wimsatt-Dailey 1/12/22 & mother-in-law, Nanette Dailey 1/23/22.

Rebecca Brown and her family on the death of her father, Ferry Darrell Jackson, 12/21/21.

Brad Williamson and his family on the death of his father, William "Bill" Williamson, 12/16/21.

Susan Schmidt and her family on the death of her husband, Steve, 12/14/21.

Kelly Seiler and her family on the death of her brother-in-law, Nick Strong, 12/10/21.

Priss Hovious and her family on the death of her father, Nelson D. Rodes Jr., 12/01/21.

CHILDCARE: Childcare is available in room 117 for children ages 5 and under during 9:00 Worship and for children ages 3 and under for the 11:00 Worship. Room 117 is in Hilbert Hall, adjacent to the Weekday School Atrium, entrance #1 or #9. Parents may pick up their children from the lower-level educational space after 11:00 Worship has ended. Educational space is best accessed through the double doors near the Narthex marked 2PK. PreK – 3rd grades rooms 150-154.

4th & 5th grades will stay in service on Sunday, February 6.

KidCheck is a secure children's check-in system that enhances your provider's security system and simplifies the check-in process. KidCheck helps ensure no one can pick up your child without your consent. Signing up for KidCheck is easy and free for parents, guardians, and workers! Visit <https://go.kidcheck.com> or download the KidCheck app on an iOS or Android device. Stations can be found at the nursery outside Hilbert Hall and in the Common Space near door 6. For you and your child/ren's safety, beginning today, all doors except for door 3 and the main Sanctuary doors will be locked at 11:15. Please use one of these entrances if you will be arriving after this time.

NAMETAGS: We encourage all who come to worship each week to make a nametag so we can continue to welcome guests, and encourage our fellowship together. Look for the tags and markers at the entrances.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY FLOWERS FOR WORSHIP: Anyone interested in providing Chancel flowers in honor or memory may contact Susanne Wright (sjwright@iglou.com) or Nancy Hubbard (502-939-5744).

MISSION OF THE MONTH: UNITED CRESCENT HILL MINISTRIES

Our February mission of the month is United Crescent Hill Ministries, which serves approximately 3,500 individuals in the Crescent Hill, Clifton, Clifton Heights, and Butchertown neighborhoods with a range of programs that includes: emergency financial and food assistance, youth programming, health prevention services, senior citizen activities, community development and organizing, ecumenical activities, outreach, referral and advocacy. They need non-perishable food items and hygiene products for their community pantry, including: canned chicken & tuna, tomato sauce, peanut butter, macaroni & cheese, canned soup, hand/dish soap, shampoo, tooth paste & brushes, laundry detergent, and toilet paper. Please drop items off in the Mission Closet on Sundays or during church hours. Thank you!

A TREMENDOUS THANKS FROM THE HEALING PLACE

January's Mission of the Month was a huge success due to the extreme generosity of our church. Personal care items and 32 sets of twin sheets have been delivered to the Detox Centers for both women and men. For many of the clients, this was the first time in many months they have been able to experience clean sheets and personal care items. Second Church is one of the first places the staff at The Healing Place knows they can turn to when urgent needs arise.

PROTOCOL UPDATE: While positivity rates are dropping significantly, they are still dangerously high. The Re-Opening Task Group continues to make the well-being of our most vulnerable population its top priority. We will monitor numbers closely in coming weeks and review protocols in early March. In the meantime, we thank you for your patience and faithfulness to the needs of others and strongly encourage the wearing of masks for all indoor church events regardless of your vaccination status. Masking, while important for your own protection, is also an additional layer of protection for those around you, especially unvaccinated children and those who are at risk due to age or medical conditions. Masks are required in Weekday School spaces.

UPCOMING EVENTS: Week of February 6, 2022

YOUTH WORSHIP ARTS continues today after 11 a.m. worship. We are excited about our next season of exploring our faith through the arts. Ricky Case will be coordinating, along with Jim Rittenhouse and Lindsay Cook. Lunch is from 12 to 12:15 in the Youth Suite. We will conclude at 1:15. All youth are invited to be a part of this fun time!

FILM FELLOWSHIP

The next Film Fellowship gathering will be this **Monday, February 7th at 7-8:30 p.m.** We will discuss Martin Scorsese's epic religious drama, *The Last Temptation of Christ*, adapted from Nikos Kazantzakis' controversial 1955 novel of the same name. Our gathering will take place on Zoom only; join us for a stimulating and challenging conversation about this controversial film! See Seconds to Go for Zoom link.

WEDNESDAYS TOGETHER continues on Wednesdays from 5-7 p.m. Dinner will be served from 5-6 p.m. in the Great Hall. There will be a Bible Study for adults taught by Pastor Steve and Pastor Jordan, 6-7 p.m. Music and Vocal education for ages 3 through 5th grade will begin at 5:30 p.m. with childcare or activities to follow. Reservations are needed by noon on Monday of each week for the meals. Contact Chelsea at cbeasley@2ndpreslou.org to make a reservation. There is a suggested donation of \$5 per person with a \$15 family cap for the meal.

MORNING JOY continues on **Thursdays at 9:45 a.m.** Pastor Steve Jester will lead the study entitled, "Challenging Teachings of Jesus," focusing on teachings from all four Gospels that push us and stretch us to grow as Christ's disciples. Participants can attend in-person in Fellowship Hall where masks are strongly encouraged. If interested in joining us virtually, please contact Chelsea Beasley (cbeasley@2ndpreslou.org) for Zoom info. All are welcome!

ASH WEDNESDAY

We begin the season of Lent on Wednesday, March 2nd at 6:30 p.m. with a traditional service including the imposition of ashes in the Chapel. Starting at 6:00 p.m., the Chapel will be open for contemplation and prayer with reflective music.

THE MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Steven P. Jester, Pastor

Rev. Jordan Akin, Associate Pastor for Youth

Jim Rittenhouse, Director of Worship and
Music Ministries

Hayley Abell, Director of Weekday School

Lisa Bickett, Pastoral Assistant

Keith DeCosta, Sexton

Samuel Libra, DMA, Organist &
Communications Assistant

Tanner Williams, Receptionist &
Administrative Assistant

Christina Recktenwald, Children's Choirs
Co-Coordinator

Ricky Case, Children's Choirs Co-Coordinator

Amy Heckmann, Childcare Coordinator

Elizabeth Clay, Parish Associate

Jackie Grimley, Bookkeeper

Paula S. Roberts, Organist Emerita



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35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

1 Praise ye the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2 Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous - ly
 3 Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
 dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his
 gen - tly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

tem - ple draw near; join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for aye we a - dore him.

This very strong 17th-century German hymn employs many phrases from the psalms, especially Psalms 150 and 103:1-6. It did not receive an effective English translation until the mid-19th century, but has remained popular ever since, thanks in part to its stirring tune.

182 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;
 2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give
 3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light;

lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down your head up - on my breast."
 the liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; stoop down and drink and live."
 look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."

I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad; I
 I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream; my
 I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun; and

found in him a rest - ing place, and he has made me glad.
 thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.
 in that light of life I'll walk till trav - eling days are done.

Each stanza here pairs an invitation from Jesus with a response from the narrator. These three invitations recall how Jesus welcomed those who were heavy laden (Matthew 11:28), offered living water (John 4:10-14), and identified himself as the light of the world (John 8:12, 9:5).