# Service for the Lord's Day

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

February 3, 2019

The Lord will guide you always.....You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

(each person prays silently)

Loving God, help us, through your grace, to be open to your presence in our lives. Amen.

### Gathering

PRELUDE Selected

WELCOME Lynn Tieken

\*INTROIT #749 "Come! Live in the Light!" (v.1) Haas, 1988

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

What does the Lord require of you, but to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God? The Lord makes all things new. We are transformed by the riches of His grace. The Lord be praised!

\*HYMN #749

"Come! Live in the Light!" (v.2-3)

**CALL TO CONFESSION** 

Let us confess our sins, for the Holy One delights in blessing those who seek to walk with God.

SILENT PRAYER

(A time of silence for personal prayer)

### UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, we have not done what is blameless and right, nor spoken truth from the heart with love. We do not keep your word, and when we participate in gossip, our words and deeds cause pain. Forgive us by the power of your mercy, that we might stand in the goodness of Christ and walk in the light of his love. Amen.

LORD HAVE MERCY Kyrie Eleison

"Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us."

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Sisters and brothers, your sins are forgiven by the faith of Christ, who chose love over hatred and forgiveness over blame. Rejoice and be glad, for God's mercy is great; Jesus brings healing, justice, and peace.

Thanks be to God!

\*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

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## Proclaiming

**ANTHEM** 

"In This Very Room"

(Chancel Choir)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE Micah 6:1-8 Bibles, p.816/LG. p.1060

HYMN #172 "Blest Are They" Haas, 1985

SECOND SCRIPTURE Matthew 5:1-12 Bibles, p.4/ LG. p.4

The Word of God, for the People of God Thanks be to God

SERMON "Blessings" Rev. Charlie Hornes`

# Responding

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Affirmation of Faith is from the Confession of 1967 9.17

God has created man in a personal relation with himself that man may respond to the love of the Creator. He has created male and female and given them a life which proceeds from birth to death in a succession of generations and in a wide complex of social relations. He has endowed man with capacities to make the world serve his needs and to enjoy its good things. Life is a gift to be received with gratitude and a task to be pursued with courage. Man is free to seek his life within the purpose of God: to develop and protect the resources of nature for the common welfare, to work for justice and peace in society, and in other ways to

use his creative powers for the fulfillment of human life. This, we believe.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

MINISTRY OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY Selected

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

#### CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Those who are able may come down the center aisle to be served. If you prefer, please remain seated and the elements will be brought to you. The outer ring of the communion tray contains white grape juice and the inner rings contain wine.

## Sending

\*HYMN #643 "Now Thank We All Our God" Rinkart, 1636

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE #70 "What Does the Lord Require of You?" Strathdee, 1986

POSTLUDE Selected

(\*) Those who are able may stand. **Bold italic letters** indicate congregational responses.

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