

Hosanna in the highest.

Remembering your goodness and grace,
we offer ourselves to you with gratitude as we share this joyful feast.

Dying you destroyed our death; rising you restored our life.

Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Through the Lord Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Spirit,
we bless you, God of glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION MUSIC #507 Come to the Table of Grace

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

***We give you thanks, Lord Jesus Christ, for the gifts of grace
we have received from your hand.***

***Now send us forth to reflect your light,
proclaiming your saving death and resurrection until you come again in glory. Amen.***

—Sending—

***HYMN #610** O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

Beloved children of God, receive the gift of the Holy Spirit,
the grace of Jesus Christ, and the blessing of the Lord forever. **Alleluia!**

As Jesus called the first disciples, so he calls to us this day: Follow me. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE **Sonatina Allegretto (Handel)** Joshua Allen

You may sit after the light passes you in the aisle.

+ *This song written for children in the 1920s, became an anthem of the Southern Freedom
Movement in the '50s and '60s. As we observe Black History month, we lift up the witness of
songs written by, for, and about black lives.*



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Joshua Allen.....Music Director
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*Serving God,
Honoring Creation,
Embracing Differences*



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**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
HENDERSON, TX**

**5th Sunday after Epiphany
February 5, 2023**

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(* Please rise in body or in spirit

Bold Italic Letters indicate congregational response

— *Gathering* —

PRELUDE I Surrender All (arr. Berry)

Joshua Allen

WELCOME

Rev. Michele Goff

*OPENING SENTENCES

Liturgist: Kathy Porter

Let your light shine!

We are the salt of the earth.

Let your light shine!

We are the light of the world.

Let your light shine!

Praise the Lord for the gifts that God has given us!

Let your light shine!

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

*HYMN #401 Gather Us In (Here in This Place)

CONFESSION

Trusting in God's mercy,

let us lay down those burdens before God.

Patient God,

it is so easy for us to miss the point.

We know how to perform righteousness;

we go to church, we donate, we volunteer,

but we care more about how we are seen

than our faithfulness to you.

We show off our piety,

instead of actually sharing our food,

our homes, our resources

with those in the most need.

Have mercy on us for the ways we serve ourselves,

and teach us your way,

the way that leads to justice and peace.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. *Alleluia! Thanks be to God!*

*GLORIA# 582, v1

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.

— *Word* —

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 58:1-12

Bible p.647, LG p. 841-842

Speak to us, Lord, for your servants are listening.

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

SECOND TESTAMENT READING

1 Corinthians 2:1-12

Bible p. 156, LG p. 202-203

Hear God's word for us.

A new teaching, with authority! *Thanks be to God.*

GOSPEL

Matthew 5:13-20

Bible p. 4, LG p. 5

Hear God's wisdom for us.

The wisdom of God for the people of God. *Thanks be to God.*

SERMON

Rev. Michele Goff

ASCRPTION OF PRAISE

*HYMN #70

What Does the Lord Require of You?

(see bulletin insert)

— *Eucharist* —

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

+Let Your Little Light Shine

Ensemble

*DOXOLOGY # 607

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise Christ, all people here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of glory, as people brought gifts to the infant Jesus,

we bring our gifts to you.

May these gifts be used to lift up those who are oppressed,

to bring deliverance to those who are in need, to support those who are poor,

and to help those who are in trouble. Amen.

*INVITATION TO THE TABLE

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Holy One be with you. *And also with you*

Open your hearts to the One who is Love. *We open our hearts to you, O God*

Let us give thanks to God with us.

To the One who took on flesh, we give thanks and praise.

Therefore we praise you, joining the song of the universal church and the heavenly choir:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in your name.