

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF OUR OFFERINGS**

***CLOSING HYMN** - *“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”* - #1
(requested by a church member)

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE** - *“Open My Eyes, That I May See”* #451 (vs. 1)

*Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me.
Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes; illumine me, Spirit divine!*

***POSTLUDE** - *“To Walk in Faith* - Paxton

~ Information about the Prelude ~

“Day by Day” is a Christian hymn of assurance written in 1865 by Lina Sandell several years after she had witnessed a tragic drowning.

Day by day and with each passing moment,
Strength I find to meet my trials here;
Trusting in my Father’s wise bestowment,
I’ve no cause for worry or for fear.
He whose heart is kind beyond all measure
Gives unto each day what He deems best—
Lovingly, its part of pain and pleasure,
Mingling toil with peace and rest.

Help me then in eve’ry tribulation
So to trust Thy pro9miuses, O Lord,
That I lose not faith’s sweet consolation
Offered me within Thy holy Word.
Help me, Lord, when toil and trouble meeting,
E’er to take, as from a father’s hand,
One by one, the days, the moments fleeting,
Till I reach the promised land.



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Order of Worship 7th Sunday after Epiphany

February 23, 2025

At the sound of the chimes, please use this time to silently prepare for worship.

CHIMES

PRELUDE - *“Day by Day”* - arr. Bolks Lisa Heinemeier, violin

GREETING This is the day that the Lord has made!
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT - “Surely the Presence”

*Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place,
I can feel his might power and his grace.
I can hear the brush of angel’s wings, I see glory on each face;
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.*

*** CALL TO WORSHIP – (responsively)**

Our help is in the name of the Lord,
maker of heaven and earth
The salvation of the righteous is from the Lord;
he is their refuge in the time of trouble.
Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.
Worship the Lord with gladness Come into God’s presence with singing!

*** OPENING HYMN - “It Is Well with My Soul”** - #840
(requested by a church member)

*** THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)**

Merciful and ever-loving God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have shunned your commandment to love one another and we have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name.

~ Let us take a few moments for silent reflection. ~

*** THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsively)**

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. **Thanks be to God!**

*** GLORIA PATRI - “Glory Be to the Father”**

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

***PASSING OF THE PEACE (responsively)**

May mercy, peace, and love be yours in abundance. The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

(You are invited to offer your neighbor a brief sign of peace.)

THE WELCOMING OF GUESTS

We invite our guests to use the nametags in the attendance pads to identify themselves so that we may get to know each other.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDRENS TIME - Elder Richard Carter

SPECIAL MUSIC - “As the Deer” - arr. Fettke

Lisa Heinemeier, violin

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (unison)

Testify to us, O God, by the voice of your Spirit. Put your law in our hearts, write your word in our minds, and show your will in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE – Psalm 34:1-8

Holy Wisdom. Holy Word. **Thanks be to God**

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE – Luke 24:18-35

Holy Wisdom. Holy Word. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON “On the Road With Cleopas”

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD’S WORD - “The Apostles’ Creed”

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen

SHARING OUR PRAYERS OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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, for ever. Amen.

RECEPTION OF OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

OFFERTORY - “My Prayer Is to Thee” - Eliot

***DOXOLOGY** - “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” #609

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise, God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!