



Seventh Sunday in Epiphany — February 23, 2025

***Preparing our Hearts***

*Holy Is The Lord  
Great Are You Lord*

Welcome and the Life of the Church

*Be Still My Soul*

Centering Ourselves for Worship (*adapted from Psalm 37*)

***A Prayer for Forgiveness 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 forever. Amen.*

Scripture Lesson      Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Children's Message

— The Congregation Sings, "What does the Lord require of you?"

Passing the Peace of Christ

Sharing our Gifts

Mission Celebration

***Preparing Ourselves to Hear the Word Proclaimed***

*This Is Our God*

Scripture Lesson      Luke 6:27-38

Sermon

***Being Sent out into the World***

*One Thing Remains*

*Declaration of Faith — The Apostle's Creed*

Charge & Benediction

**We worship God** — with our voices, with our instruments, with our movement, and with our contemplation, we come to this place to recenter God in our lives. Our singing, clapping, laughter, and introspection all seek to glorify God.

**We pray** — whether in unison or in private, in gratitude or in petition, in discernment or in inspiration, we lift our prayers to God, trusting that in God's faithfulness, God hears us, understands us, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, meets us in our prayers.

**We gather around God's Word and the Sacraments** — we assert the authority of Scripture, its inspiration, and its invaluable role in expressing God's love for the world by articulating God's redemptive work through Jesus Christ. We centralize the Communion Table and Baptismal Font to recall the means in which we may experience God's grace and to carry forward the traditions of the ancient Church.

**We proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ** — whether in music, readings, prayers or preaching, we lift up the Good News of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

**We value children** — Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, and do not stop them, for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs." We desire to provide for children in a variety of ways, both in and outside of the worship spaces. Families are encouraged to discern what's right for you in whatever season you are journeying through.

*Following the Children's Message, children entering PreK3-1st grade are invited to Covenant Hall 101 for Godly Play (a supervised sharing of the bible story and snack).*

*The Playground is open to all young children who desire to remain in worship—worshipping with us, offering to God the art they create, the friendships they make, and the energy they share with all of us.*

*Children 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and older are invited to remain in the worship spaces.*

**We are the Church inside and outside of these walls** — as disciples of Jesus, we desire to fortify our faith and to be encouraged by our worship together. Once nurtured and restored in worship, we are called to live out our faith in the world. So we are sent out to be Christ's ambassadors of his peace, love, and compassion, serving all those we encounter.

*Leading in worship today:*

*Musicians — Music Dir. Roger Sullins, Bryan Sullins, Pete DiFranco, Rick McClintock*

*Technicians — Michael Prichard, Sheri and Bill Levens*

*Video & Production — Beth DeBevoise, Jackson Fowler, Scott Wilson*

*Pastors —Revs. John Reiter, Kenny Hubbell*

We're grateful that you're here!

We consider worship a time to gather as the family of God. We carry to this place all of life's joys and challenges, sharing with each other and supporting one another as we go.

While it takes time to feel connected to each other and sometimes longer to feel connected to God, we hope that this will be a community where you will feel encouraged, taught, and inspired to know and show God's love.



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