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## Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 4, 2018

### GATHERING

PRELUDE

*Steve Pritchard*

BELLS

WELCOME SONG

*“Your Little Ones, Dear Lord”*

*LBW 52*

WELCOME

ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the  $\text{†}$ Son and the Holy Spirit,

**C: Amen.**

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C. Amen**

P. Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

P: Gracious God,

**C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

P: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, keep you in eternal life.

**C: Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

*“As with Gladness Men of Old”*

*LBW 82*

GREETING

Kyrie (spoken)

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord have mercy.**

P: By the Holy mystery of the word made flesh, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, Have mercy.**

P: By the lowly submission of the Maker of the world to Mary and Joseph of Nazareth, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: By the humble nativity of the King of light in the manger of Bethlehem, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: By the splendid manifestation of the King of glory to the shepherds and the magi, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord have mercy.**

P: For the peace that His birth brings, for our salvation, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Help, save, comfort and defend us, O Incarnate Word.

**C: Amen.**

Hymn of Praise      *“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”*      LBW 565

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Everlasting God,

**C: you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

#### WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 40:21-31

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 9:16-23

CHILDREN'S SERMON

*“Jesus Loves Me, This I Know”*

Pr. Carleton

GOSPEL

Mark 1:29-39

SERMON

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HYMN OF THE DAY

*“Arise, Your Light Has Come”*

WOV 652

APOSTLES' CREED

LBW pg. 65

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

#### MEAL

PEACE

MISSION FOCUS: Park Rapids Area **Living at home**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*Steve Pritchard*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Merciful God,

**C: receive the gifts we bring, our selves, our time, and our possessions. Through this meal unite us as your body, shining with the light of your justice and mercy; for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER (please sing)

DISTRIBUTION (at the rail)

COMMUNION MUSIC

*Listen, God Is Calling.*

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P: O Morning Star, fair and bright,

**C: you have refreshed us again with heavenly food. You are our dearest treasure. Go with us now— today, tomorrow, every day— that we tell the story of your never-ending love and sing your praise both now and forever. Amen.**

**SENDING**

BLESSING

P: The God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

**C: Amen**

BELLS

SENDING SONG “*Shine, Jesus, Shine*”

*WOV 651*

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

*Steve Pritchard*

\* denotes a favorite hymn

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**Prayer Concerns:** *Eric (friend of Violet Sundermeyer), Ruth Courier (Violet Sundermeyer's sister), Sam Gaston, Phyllis Deer, Gary & Mary Jones (brother an sister-in-law of Mike Jones) Angie Kunnari (friend of Angel Rettke), Shawn Karl, Jan Hirsh (friend of Owen and Jan Knutson), Ted Bartel & Dolly Adams (cousins of Phyllis Deer), Carole Ann Morris, Christine Slagle (Carl Anderson's God Daughter), Austin Peet (friend of Debbie Hodapp,) Lexi Wheeler (Jim & Gloria Thomsen's granddaughter), Torey Meyer, Tad Trottier (friend of Knutsons), Shelly West (daughter of Barb Doerring), Merub Morris (friend of Synstegards), Dorothy Pohl, Tim Cooper, Shirley Davies (aunt of Peg Davies), Dennis Sweeney (brother of Linda Anderson), Futz (friend of Tom Synstegard), Dennis Lecy (friend of Peg Davies), Chad Jarman (Lorna Cooper's friend), Jennifer Lyons (Carol Jones's niece), Wayne Hruby (Dorothy Pohl's friend), Ryan Lau, Linda Husby, Hannah Gass (granddaughter of Larry Gass), Jim & Lorrie Bergquist, Annika Mae Feist (grandniece of Lorna Cooper), Joy & Tim Atwater (Carol Jones's sister & brother-in-law), Judy Gerdts (friend of Peg Davies), Jerry Johnson, (Jeanette Johnson's son ), Shawn Semmler (Rachelle Krotzer's brother)*

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Opportunities This Week

<b>Today</b>	Coffee Fellowship	09:30 AM
	Worship Service – FLC	10:30 AM
<b>Mon</b>	Pr. Carleton's office hours (Zappy's)	9:00 AM – Noon
	AA Meeting	8:00 PM
<b>Tues</b>	Fellowship with Pastor (First)	9:00 AM
	Heartland Council Meeting (First)	6:00 PM
<b>Wed</b>	Men's Breakfast & Bible study– BLC	7:30 AM
<b>Sun</b>	Coffee Fellowship	9:30 AM
	Worship Service	10:30 AM

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This Week's Bible Readings

<b>Mon</b>	Psalm 102:12-28, 2 Kings 4:8-17, 32-37, Acts 14:1-7
<b>Tue</b>	Psalm 102:12-28, 2 Kings 8:1-6, Acts 15:36-41
<b>Wed</b>	Psalm 102:12-28, Job 6:1-13, Mark 3:7-12
<b>Thu</b>	Psalm 50:1-6, 1 Kings 11:26-40, 2 Corinthians 2:12-17
<b>Fri</b>	Psalm 50:1-6, 1 Kings 14:1-18, 1 Timothy 1:12-20
<b>Sat</b>	Psalm 50:1-6, 1 Kings 16:1-7, Luke 19:41-44
<b>Sun</b>	2 Kings 2:1-12, Psalm 50:1-6, 2 Corinthians 4:3-6, Mark 9:2-9

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Service Assistants

	This Week	Next Week
<b>Greeters</b>	Everyone	Everyone
<b>Ushers</b>	Tom & Shane Synstegard	Tom & Shane Synstegard
<b>Acolyte</b>	Carolynn Geimer	Mackenzie Mitchell
<b>Reader</b>	Carrie Smee	Tom Synstegard
<b>Communion</b>	Diana Schwenke	Tom Synstegard