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Pr. Maribeth McGoven

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany – February 8, 2026

Revealed: Following the Light

Theme: Revealed in How We Live

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Christie Semmler

BELLS

INTRODUCTION TO EPIPHANY SERIES

CENTERING TIME

SONG

“May You Find a Light”

Josh Gerrels

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION/FORGIVENESS

screen

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Rise, Shine, You People!”

LBW #393

PRAYER OF THE DAY

screen

WORD

FIRST READING

Psalm 112:1-9

SONG

“This Little Light of Mine”

CHILDREN’S TIME

SONG

“This Little Light of Mine”

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 5:13-20

SERMON

Pr. Maribeth McGoven

SONG OF THE DAY

“Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service” LBW #423

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

MEAL

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| OFFERING | Audrey's Purple Dream | |
| OFFERTORY PRAYER | | |
| GREAT THANKSGIVING | | screen |
| WORDS OF INSTITUTION | | |
| LORD'S PRAYER | | screen |
| COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION | | |
| COMMUNION HYMNS | | |
| | <i>"Come Ye Sinners"</i> | Fernado Ortega |
| | <i>"The Light Came Down"</i> | Josh Gerrels |
| | <i>"Creator of the Stars of Night"</i> | Sara Kroger |
| POST-COMMUNION PRAYER | | screen |

SENDING

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| BENEDICTION | | |
| BELLS | | |
| CLOSING HYMN | <i>"O God of Mercy, God of Light"</i> (vs. 1-4) | LBW #425 |

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace, shine this week, and show God's light in the world.

C: Amen! Thanks be to God!

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| POSTLUDE | Christie Semmler |
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THIS WEEK'S BIBLE READINGS

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| Mon | Psalm 119:105-112; 2 Kings 22:3-20; Romans 11:2-10 |
| Tue | Psalm 119:105-112; 2 Kings 23:1-8, 21-25; 2 Corinthians 4:1-12 |
| Wed | Psalm 119:105-112; Proverbs 6:6-23; John 8:12-30 |
| Thu | Psalm 2; Exodus 6:2-9; Hebrews 8:1-7 |
| Fri | Psalm 2; Exodus 19:9b-25; Hebrews 11:23-28 |
| Sat | Psalm 2; 1 Kings 21:20-29; Mark 9:9-13 |
| Sun | Psalm 2; Exodus 24:12-18; 2 Peter 1:16-21; Matthew 17:1-9 |

SERVICE ASSISTANTS

| | This Week | Next Week |
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| Greeters | Bryan & LoAnn Cox | Galen & Charlotte Negen |
| Ushers | Tom & Shane Synstegard | Tom & Shane Synstegard |
| Reader | Jay Johnson | De Carlson |
| Communion | Cindy Lecy & Maja Cox | |

Prayer Concerns: *The people of Venezuela, The people of Ukraine, The people of Israel and Palestine, Audrey's Purple Dream; The family & friends of Pr. Harvey Kietzman, The family & friends of Alex Pretti, The family & friends of Levi Keaton, The family & friends of Renee Good; Marlys Stainbrook, Carl & Linda Anderson, Phyllis Carlson, Tim Atwater (brother-in-law of Carol Jones), Jean (cousin of Vi Sundermeyer), Emily (friend of Vi Sundermeyer), Elaine Kelsey (friend of Peg Davies), Rose & Don (Vi Sundermeyer's sister and brother-in-law), Jerry Johnson (brother of Jay Johnson), Ryan Lau, Carla & Scott (friends of Corina Bronczyk), Karen Rich (sister of Mike Jones), Bonnie & George Lueck, Tina Riggs (friend of Bobbie Wosika), Jerry Leverson (Resurrection Band singer), Jim Thomsen, Gail Buck, Erika W. (friend of Vi Sundermeyer), Jennifer Lyons (niece of Carol Jones), Jimmie & Joyce Lecy (Harry Lecy's brother & sister-in-law), Dr. Brian Bratloff, Sebrina Hegg (Tina Ericson's sister), Phyllis Deer, Georgia Alexander (Pat Tinklenberg's granddaughter), Bruce Dahl (friend of Jay Johnson), Pat Tinklenberg (Heather Lenander's mom), Riki and her family, Bernice Seward (De Carlson's mother), Nicky (friend of Peg Davies), Kent Stover (Kirk Stover's brother), Paul Benson (Betty Lecy's brother), Dawn, David VanEye, Sarah & Sonny, Mellisa Tibbets, Jeff Massie, Harry Lecy,*

Johanna, Jana Dunham, Nellie, Bill T. (Shannah's cousin), Pr. Jim & Ann Davis, Steve Olafson, Romello Lee Kelly (Gail Buck's great grandson), Sue Fiene (Linda Anderson's sister) Jane Andress (friend of Bobbie Wosicka), Daryl Hendrickson (friend of Peg Davies), Bryan Gerdts (friend of Jay Johnson)

Opportunities This Week

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| Today | Bible Study | 9:00 AM |
| | Worship Service | 10:00 AM |
| | Church Council meeting | 11:30 AM |
| Sun | Bible Study | 9:00 AM |
| | Worship Service | 10:00 AM |
| | Coffee Fellowship | 11:15 AM |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Signup sheet in the narthex for Ash Wednesday Soup Supper, February 18, 6:00 PM with worship to follow at 7:00 PM.**
- **A table in the Fellowship Hall has a Thesaurus, a Bible Dictionary, and a Concordance from our church library for those who are finding the meaning of their Star Word and do not use on-line resources.**

Audrey's Purple Dream

Audrey Pidde's path to becoming a beacon of hope did not begin under extraordinary circumstance. Like many of us, she loved Northern Minnesota, small town life, and the strength found within the community. In Akeley, Minnesota, she made a home, a place where the simple yet profound truth emerged: we take care of one another.

In 2004, Audrey's world was shattered by news that no one should ever have to hear—she was diagnosed with cancer. Yet, even in the shadow of this daunting battle, she faced it with an unwavering spirit, holding onto the dream of a trip to Alaska. Her fight ignited a remarkable response within her community. Neighbors stepped forward, strangers united behind her cause, and within days, they had raised \$10,000 to help turn that dream into reality. Tragically, Audrey's light dimmed before she could set foot on that Alaskan soil. During her last days, she found comfort knowing her journey was made easier by the love and support that surrounded her.

Mission Statement:

At Audrey's Purple Dream, we are passionately dedicated to creating unforgettable experiences for individuals in our local communities who are bravely facing cancer. Our committed volunteers pour their hearts into fundraising efforts, ensuring that we can help make wishes, dreams, and essential needs come true for those in need. Through vibrant community-driven events and a spirit of collaboration, we strive to inspire compassion, celebrate the beauty of life, and forge lasting memories.

If you choose to donate to this worthy cause, please make your check to FLC with APD on the memo line.

We've filled two "baskets" for the silent auction again this year. Thank you!!

FYI Audrey is Shannah Geimer's mother.