

WE GATHER AROUND GOD'S WORD

♪ **Prelude** · Toni DiCapua

All Things Bright and Beautiful ... Michael Burkhardt

Call to Worship (responsively) · Lou Pennebaker

Leader: We gather to worship God, whose creative imagination never fails:

People: For the sake of God, we will search for the outcasts.

Leader: We gather to praise our God, whose steadfast love never weakens:

People: For the sake of Jesus, we will lift up all who have fallen.

Leader: We gather to offer our best to God, who walks with us through eternity:

People: For the sake of the Holy Spirit, we will walk with the weary.

* ♪ **Hymn of Praise** · All Things Bright and Beautiful
No. 267

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

We cannot hide from You, Everlasting God, even if we were to go from one edge of creation to the next. You speak to us of compassion, but the ways in which we treat others show we have not been listening. You explain your hopes to us, and we act as if we don't have a clue as to what is going on. We run as fast, and as far, from You as we can, and wonder why we have no energy to follow Jesus. Yet You search for us in all the deserted places we flee to, God of all space, so You can take us by the hand to show us the way to life with You. You heal our broken hearts so we can offer them to others. You fill us with Your strength so we can bind ourselves to Jesus, our Savior, following Him to serve all of Your children.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

* ♪ **Gloria Patri**

No. 579

* **Passing of The Peace**

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Greetings and Announcements

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading · Faye Wilson

Genesis 1:31 – 2:3 (pg. 3)

♪ **Anthem** · Chancel Choir

Precious Lord, Take My Hand ... Dorsey, arr. Schrader

Richard Dinwiddie, director; Mollie Wakeman, accompanist
(CCLI #20405356)

Scripture Reading

Mark 1:35-39 (pg. 1553)

Ministry of the Word · The Rev. Renée Rico
"Fallow"

Seeking God, Part 5

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD


* **The Apostles' Creed** · see next page

You are invited to stand as able as we read this together.

Acknowledgement and Blessings of Offerings

5th SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD... continued

- *  **Hymn of Preparation** · Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts
No. 510

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving


Words of Institution

The Bread and Cup Shared

You are invited to hold the bread until all have received it so we can take it together. Please take the cup when you receive it.

Prayers of The People and the Lord's Prayer (sung)

See laminated copy in hymnal.

- *  **Closing Hymn** · Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing
No. 538

- * **Benediction**

- *  **Congregational Response** · Go Now in Peace

Postlude · Toni DiCapua

Fanfare ... Healey Willan