

# Fifth Sunday After The Epiphany

February 9<sup>th</sup> 2025 9:30am



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**Preparation For Worship:** I bow down toward Your holy temple and give thanks to Your name for Your steadfast love and Your faithfulness, for You have exalted above all things Your name and Your word. *Psalm 138:2*

## Opening Song

### First

Before I bring my need  
I will bring my heart  
Before I lift my cares  
I will lift my arms  
I wanna know You  
I wanna find You  
In ev'ry season  
In ev'ry moment  
Before I bring my need  
I will bring my heart  
And seek You

First I want to seek You  
I want to seek You  
First I want to keep You  
I want to keep you first  
First - more than anything I want  
I want You first - first

Before I speak a word  
Let me hear Your voice  
And in the midst of pain  
Let me feel Your joy  
I wanna know You  
I wanna find You  
In ev'ry season  
In ev'ry moment  
Before I speak a word  
I will bring my heart  
And seek You

First I want to seek You  
I want to seek You  
First I want to keep You  
I want to keep you first  
First - more than anything I want  
I want You first - first

**You are my treasure and my reward  
Let nothing ever come before  
You are my treasure and my reward  
Let nothing ever come before  
I seek You first**

**First I want to seek You  
I want to seek You  
First I want to keep You  
I want to keep you first  
First - more than anything I want  
I want You first - first**

Ministry Spotlight      *Share*

### **Invocation**

**Pastor:** We gather today in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** **Amen.**

**Pastor:** God the Father loved us so much that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever would believe in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

**People:** **The promised Messiah came! We celebrate the Epiphany of His coming. Emmanuel is God with us, and Christ will come again! He is the Prince of Peace, and Lord of all! God is good!**

**Pastor:** All the time!

**People:** **All the time!**

**Pastor:** God is good!

**People:** **Let us come to Him then with an honest heart to worship Him in spirit and truth.**

### **Confession and Absolution**

**Pastor:** We confess our need of forgiveness, and that God's forgiveness is the gift that leads to newness of life. Jesus is Emmanuel, God with us, born in a manger, died on a cross, and risen from the grave: All to redeem us from sin, death, the devil, and our sinful self. As Paul wrote in Romans 3 "This was to show God's righteousness, because in God's divine forbearance God had passed over former sins; it was to prove at the present time that God is righteous and that God justifies the one who has faith in Jesus." Acknowledging the promise and call of God to confess, repent and receive forgiveness, we join in the Apostle John's words:

**People:** **If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned we make God a liar, and His Word is not in us.**

**Lord, have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

**Forgive me of my sins, I pray. (*Reflection for confession*)**

Pastor: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us, and has given His only Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. As a called servant of Jesus our Christ, and by His authority, I announce God's grace to you, and the forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. To all who believe on His name He gave power to become the children of God, and gave His Holy Spirit. Those who believe and are baptized shall be saved. Grant this O Lord, unto us all.

**People: Amen.**

### **Prayer of the Day**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Daily Text

God said to Ezekiel, "mortal, all my words that I shall speak to you receive in your heart and hear with your ears." *Ezekiel 3:10*

But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundred fold, in another sixty, and in another thirty. *Matthew 13:23*

Let us pray:

**People: Word of life, worthy of praise, thank You for the words You speak to me. When I listen to the noise of the world, I cannot hear You and my heart hardens against Your love and direction. Soften the soil in my heart and help me to hear and teach others to hear Your voice and know Your love. Amen.**

### **Scripture Lessons** *Read*

First Lesson

Isaiah 6:1-13

<sup>1</sup> In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup> Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew.

<sup>3</sup> And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory!"

<sup>4</sup> And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup> And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" <sup>6</sup> Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. <sup>7</sup> And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for." <sup>8</sup> And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here I am! Send me." <sup>9</sup> And he said, "Go, and say to this people:

"Keep on hearing, but do not understand;  
keep on seeing, but do not perceive."

<sup>10</sup> Make the heart of this people dull,  
and their ears heavy,  
and blind their eyes;  
lest they see with their eyes,  
and hear with their ears,  
and understand with their hearts,  
and turn and be healed.”

<sup>11</sup> Then I said, “How long, O Lord?” And he said:

“Until cities lie waste  
without inhabitant,  
and houses without people,  
and the land is a desolate waste,  
<sup>12</sup> and the Lord removes people far away,  
and the forsaken places are many in the midst of the land.

<sup>13</sup> And though a tenth remain in it,  
it will be burned again,  
like a terebinth or an oak,  
whose stump remains  
when it is felled.”

The holy seed is its stump.

## The Psalm

## Psalm 138

<sup>1</sup> I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise; <sup>2</sup> I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word. <sup>3</sup> On the day I called, you answered me; my strength of soul you increased. <sup>4</sup> All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O Lord, for they have heard the words of your mouth, <sup>5</sup> and they shall sing of the ways of the Lord, for great is the glory of the Lord. <sup>6</sup> For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly, but the haughty he knows from afar. <sup>7</sup> Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life; you stretch out your hand against the wrath of my enemies, and your right hand delivers me. <sup>8</sup> The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.

## Second Lesson

## 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

<sup>1</sup> Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, <sup>2</sup> and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. <sup>3</sup> For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup> that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>5</sup> and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup> Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. <sup>7</sup> Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup> Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup> For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup> But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them,

though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. <sup>11</sup> Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

Reader: Please rise for the reading of the Gospel. God has given us Good News.

People: **Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. You have the words of eternal life.**

*Psalm 119:105, John 6:68*

Gospel Lesson

Luke 5:1-11

<sup>1</sup> On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, <sup>2</sup> and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. <sup>3</sup> Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. <sup>4</sup> And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." <sup>5</sup> And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." <sup>6</sup> And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. <sup>7</sup> They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. <sup>8</sup> But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." <sup>9</sup> For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, <sup>10</sup> and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." <sup>11</sup> And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise be to You, O Christ.**

**Nicene Creed**

People: **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit, He became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son, He is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**Sermon Song**

**Here's My Heart**

**Here's my heart, Lord - here's my heart, Lord  
Here's my heart, Lord - speak what is true**

**'Cause I am found - I am Yours  
I am loved - I'm made pure  
I have life - I can breathe  
I am healed - I am free**

**Here's my heart, Lord - here's my heart, Lord  
Here's my heart, Lord - speak what is true**

**'Cause I am found - I am Yours  
I am loved - I'm made pure  
I have life - I can breathe  
I am healed - I am free**

**'Cause You are strong - You are sure  
You are life - You endure  
You are good - always true  
You are light - breaking through**

**Here's my heart, Lord - here's my heart, Lord  
Here's my heart, Lord - speak what is true**

**Here's my life, Lord - here's my life, Lord  
Here's my life, Lord - speak what is true  
Speak what is true**

**'Cause I am found - I am Yours  
I am loved - I'm made pure  
I have life - I can breathe  
I am healed - I am free**

**'Cause You are strong - You are sure  
You are life - You endure  
You are good - always true  
You are light - breaking through**

**You are more than enough  
You are here - You are love  
You are hope - You are grace  
You're all I have - You're everything**

**Here's my heart, Lord - here's my heart, Lord  
Here's my heart, Lord - speak what is true**

**Here's my life, Lord - here's my life, Lord  
Here's my life, Lord - speak what is true  
Speak what is true - speak what is true**

**Offering Song**

**Fairest Lord Jesus**

**Fairest Lord Jesus Ruler of all nature O Thou of God and man the Son  
Thee will I cherish Thee will I honor Thou my soul's glory joy and crown**

**Beautiful Saviour Lord of all the nations Son of God and Son of Man  
Glory and honor praise adoration now and forevermore be Thine**

**Prayers of the Church**      *Pray*

*The congregation is invited to join in prayers that include whole Church,  
the nation, those in need, the parish, additional petitions and special concerns.*

**Pastor:** Let's join together to pray with Jesus for all that He loves right here, and to the ends of the earth. Father, our Father in heaven, You are the present active, Creator, and Redeemer of our heart, soul, mind and body.

**People:** **Thank You Lord, that in You we are made a part of Your great salvation of all that You have created. You have made us Your redeemed children. We join today with all those throughout the world who follow You, and pray that Your kingdom would come, and Your will would be done among us as it is in heaven.**

**Pastor:** Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** **hear our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude with these words...*

**Pastor:** You are our God, and we are Your people... Thank You that You hear our prayers, and work in all things for the good of those who love You. To You be all glory, honor, and praise.

**People:** **Amen.**

**Preface, Proper Preface and Sanctus**

**Pastor:** The Lord be with You.

**People:** **And also with you.**

**Pastor:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**Pastor:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

**Pastor:** It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to You, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. Sharing our life, He lived among us to reveal Your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to His own brilliant light. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:

**People<sup>(sung)</sup> Holy, holy, holy Lord; God of power and might.  
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

### **Words Of Institution**

**Pastor:** In the night in which He was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to His disciples saying: "Take and eat, this is My body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me." Again after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying: "This cup is the new covenant in My blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of Me."

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**Pastor:** Lord, remembering Your love and Your life we pray as You taught us to pray:  
**People:** **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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen**

### **Distribution Of Holy Communion**

*All who sincerely believe in the real presence of Christ in the Holy Communion – that the cup of blessing is the Communion of the blood of Christ and the bread is the Communion of the body of Christ, and sincerely believing that in receiving Him we have the forgiveness of our sins, salvation, and strength for the Christian life, come – partake of the Lord's Supper.*

### **Communion Song**

#### **I Will Wait For You**

**Out of the depths I cry to You  
In darkest places I will call  
Incline Your ear to me anew  
And hear my cry for mercy, Lord**

**Were You to count my sinful ways  
How could I come before Your throne  
Yet full forgiveness meets my gaze  
I stand redeemed by grace alone**

**I will wait for You - I will wait for You  
On Your word I will rely  
I will wait for You - surely wait for You  
Till my soul is satisfied**

**So put your hope in God alone  
Take courage in His pow'r to save  
Completely and forever won  
By Christ emerging from the grave**

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**His steadfast love has made a way  
And God Himself has paid the price  
That all who trust in Him today  
Find healing in His sacrifice**

**I will wait for You - I will wait for You  
On Your word I will rely  
I will wait for You - surely wait for You  
Till my soul is satisfied**

**I will wait for You - I will wait for You  
Through the storm and through the night  
I will wait for You - surely wait for You  
For Your love is my delight**

### **Nunc Dimittis**

**Pastor:** Now Lord, let your servants depart in peace, according to your Word. For our eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning is now, and will be, world without end. Amen.

### **Benediction**     *Bless*

**Pastor:** Now, may the Lord bless you and keep you.  
May He make His face shine on you, and be gracious unto you.  
May the Lord look upon you with favor, and give you His peace.

**People:** **Amen.**

**Blessing:** Child of God, the Lord will fulfill His purpose for you for His steadfast love endures forever.

**Pastor:** Our worship continues,

**People:** **our service begins!**

### **Closing Song**

#### **Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)**

**One day when heaven was filled with His praises,  
One day when sin was as black as could be,  
Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin,  
Dwelt among men my example is He.  
The Word became flesh and the Light shined among us.  
His glory revealed.**

**Living He loved me, dying He saved me,  
Buried, He carried my sins far away.  
Rising He justified freely forever  
One day He's coming, glorious day.**

**One day they led Him up Calv'ry's mountain.  
One day they nailed Him to die on a tree.  
Suffering anguish, despised and rejected,  
Bearing our sins my Redeemer is He.  
The hand that healed nations stretched out on a tree  
And took the nails for me.**

**Living He loved me, dying He saved me,  
Buried, He carried my sins far away.  
Rising He justified freely forever  
One day He's coming, glorious day.**

**One day the grave could conceal Him no longer,  
One day the stone rolled away from the door.  
Then He arose over death He had conquered.  
Now is ascended my Lord evermore.  
Death could not hold Him,  
The grave could not keep Him from rising again.**

**Living He loved me, dying He saved me,  
Buried, He carried my sins far away.  
Rising He justified freely forever  
One day He's coming, O glorious day, glorious day.**

**One day the trumpet will sound for His coming,  
One day the skies with His glories will shine.  
Wonderful day my beloved one bringing.  
My Savior Jesus is mine.**

**Living He loved me, dying He saved me,  
Buried, He carried my sins far away.  
Rising He justified freely forever  
One day He's coming, O glorious day, glorious day.  
O glorious day, glorious day.**

**SHARING OF PEACE AS WE GO IN GOD'S PEACE**



