

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
11:00 A.M.

Rev. Glenn Zuber
Music Director – Gregory Fraser

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE with SILENT PRAYERS: “Mozart Piano Concerto 21” – 2nd movement
GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS - Please **clearly** sign the friendship/attendance pad. Thank you.
INTROIT: “I Want Jesus to Walk With Me”

Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP (Leader/**People**) (Please stand)

(L) We are called to follow – to walk in the way of justice and righteousness,

(P) for we are children of God!

(L) We are called to serve – to be Christ with and for one another,

(P) for we are the salt of the earth!

(L) We are called to shine – to be beacons of hope and witnesses to truth,

(P) for we are the light of the world!

(L) Come, you who are claimed as children of God, salt of the earth and light of the world.

(P) Let us worship the Lord!

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE (If children are present)

(Please stand) HYMN #507 “I Come with Joy” (Please be seated)

CALL TO CONFESSION

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Lover of justice, Giver of mercy, you call us to share our bread with the hungry and to open our homes to the homeless, to care for the poor and to satisfy the needs of those who suffer. Some of your commandments are easy to follow; others require so much of us! How can we break the chains of injustice and untie the cords of oppression? When we consider the brokenness of our world, it is easy to feel overwhelmed. Forgive us when we use our sense of helplessness as an excuse. Remind us, we pray, that you are at work in and through us to bring about your reign. Free us from fear and stir our hearts toward a greater generosity, that we might be the salt and light you have called us to be. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. Glenn Zuber

SONG OF PRAISE: HYMN #487, verse 1, “When Morning Gilds the Skies”

CONCERNS and JOYS

Rev. Glenn Zuber

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION

THE LORD’S PRAYER (Unison)

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.

WORDS & GESTURES OF PEACE: (Please stand and greet your neighbors)

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.** (Please be seated)

THE PROCLAIMING

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Rev. Glenn Zuber

OLD TESTAMENT: Psalm 112:1-10 (Pew Bible page 563)

Those who do God’s will and seek what is right will be happy.

ANTHEM: “Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring”

Choir

NEW TESTAMENT: Matthew 5:1-16 (Pew Bible page 4)

Jesus begins his Sermon on the Mount with the Beatitudes.

SERMON: Sermon on the Mount II

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HYMN #466 (Please stand) “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - “Adapted from the Confession of 1967”

In Jesus of Nazareth, true humanity was realized once for all. Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, lived among his own people and shared their needs, temptations, joys, and sorrows. He expressed the love of God in word and deed and became a brother to all kinds of sinful men and women. But his complete obedience led him into conflict with his people. His life and teaching judged their goodness, religious aspirations, and national hopes. Many rejected him and demanded his death. In giving himself freely for them, he took upon himself the judgment under which everyone stands convicted. God raised him from the dead, vindicating him as Messiah and Lord. The victim of sin became victor, and won the victory over sin and death for all. Amen.

(You may be seated)

THE RESPONDING

OFFERTORY

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

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SONG OF DEDICATION: (Please stand) “Doxology”

“Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.” Amen. (Please remain standing)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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THE SENDING

CLOSING HYMN: see Insert “We Shall Walk Through the Valley in Peace”

CHARGE and BLESSING

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Go now in peace. Never be afraid God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen. Amen. Amen.

POSTLUDE: “Liszt Romance Oubilee”