

Service of Worship
Seventh Sunday after Epiphany
February 24, 2019 10:15 AM

*Please rise as able

-- **Ready for the Word** --

Welcome and Announcements

Musical Prelude arranged by Fritchie

“O Worship the King”

The Light of God Enters

Call to Worship

Leader: Praise God from the heights of heaven. Praise God,
all people of the earth.

**People: God opens our eyes to see the light. God calls us
to a life of faith.**

Leader: Men and women, boys and girls, sing of God’s
glory; shout your praise.

**People: God has made us heirs of promise. We will praise
God’s holy name.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

*Hymn Hymnal No. 645

“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”

Prayer of Confession

**We bring our prayer to you, gracious God, sensing that there
is more to life than the ways we have known. We are drawn
to the Messiah, yet we shrink from following where faith
leads. We are afraid of what we might lose if we are guided
by the Spirit. Thoughts of sacrifice and servanthood are not
always appealing to us. We are reluctant to enter into close
relationships. We often think we know what is best. Forgive
us and help us to follow you faithfully.**

We Offer Our Own Confessions in Silence

Assurance of Pardon

*Response Hymnal No. 686

“God of Our Life”: verse 3

**God of the coming years, through paths unknown we follow thee.
When we are strong, Lord, leave us not alone. Our refuge be.**

**Be thou for us in life our daily bread,
our heart's true home when all our years have sped.**

*Passing of the Peace

-- **Receiving the Word** --

Children’s Sermon

The Reception of New Members

Insert

Apostle’s Creed

Hymnal Pg. 35

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic church; the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Hymn

Hymnal No. 468

“In My Life”

Verse 1: all

Verse 2: right side Verse 3: left side

Verse 4: all

Prayer for Understanding

Old Testament Lesson (page 573)

Psalm 130

New Testament Lesson (page 155)

Romans 5:1-5

Reflection

“The Drainpipe of Life”

Musical Offering

-- **Responding to the Word** --

Prayers of the People

Lord’s Prayer (*debts/debtors*)

Hymnal Pg. 35

Offertory	Swedish folk melody
“How Great Thou Art”	
*Doxology	Hymnal No. 606
*Prayer of Dedication	
*Hymn	Hymnal No. 515
“I Come with Joy” <i>(Verses 1, 4 & 5)</i>	
*Blessing	
*Choral Benediction	by Van Griek
“May God Bless You”	
<i>May God bless you with his love, always fill you with his love; May he hold you in the hollow of his hand. For the Lord is with you in goodness and love; may his light shine out in your heart.</i>	
*The Light of God Goes with Us into the World	
*Postlude	by Unkel
“Safely Through Another Week”	



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Participants in today’s service: Shelley Nemeth (worship leader), Adelay Cooney (acolyte), Stephanie Smith Cooney (prelude), Senior Choir (musical offering and benediction), Rob Cooney (children’s sermon), Justin Gaspar (offertory), Beth Homes & Rhonda Seebold (Deacons), Joy Christian (organist), Rev. Steve Cureton (reflection). Next week’s reflection by Rev. Sally Dries: *“Stop and Listen!”*.

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