

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Matthew 5.9

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THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Fourth Sunday After Epiphany / Ordinary 4A

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Rev. Dr. Robert E. Walkup, Pastor Mrs. Grace Shearer, Organist & Choir Director Mr. Tom Yousko, Liturgist Rev. Dr. James K. Smith, Sr., Pastor Emeritus

11.00 A.M.

February 2, 2020

WE GATHER IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

(Please be seated in silence)

First Organ Prelude

Announcements

Second Organ Prelude Call to Worship

Antiphonal

Leader: Holy One, we come before you with joy and

hymns of praise.

People: To whom shall we compare you, or who is

your equal?

Leader: No word does you justice and no mind can

encompass you. You are alone, beyond the

power of thought.

People: yet all that we can conceive springs from

you.

Leader: You are alone beyond the power of speech,

People: yet all that we speak stems from you.

Leader: You are one and you are all, yet you are none

of the things that exist, neither a part nor the

whole.

People: You can avail yourself of any name.

Leader: All things utter a prayer to you, a hymn

composed by you. You sustain and are the

goal of all that exists;

People: the everlasting all-transcendent God!

THE BODY IS CALLED TOGETHER BY THE SPIRIT

*Hymn #407

"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"

*Prayer of the Day

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you

L: Let us pray.

Leader: Holy God, you confound the world's wisdom in giving your kingdom to the lowly and the pure in heart. Give us such a hunger and thirst for justice and perseverance in striving for peace, that by our words and deeds the world may see the promise of your kingdom, revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

HIS LIGHT DISPELS OUR DARKNESS

*Call to Confession

The Apostle Paul tells us that what we know and do are vastly less important than our being known by God. So, we confess the times when we have used our gifts to puff ourselves up rather than to build others up.

*Prayer of Confession

Unison

Gracious God, we have no ground for boasting, and yet we do it all the time. Forgive us if our lives and characters proclaim other than the gospel of Jesus Christ. Have mercy on us if our praise, service, and zeal for mission are shaped more by our own concerns than by the prompting of your Holy Spirit. We pray you strengthen us to share the Good News of your love and grace freely so that we, and all to whom it is proclaimed, may share in its blessings. In Jesus' Name we pray, saying: "Our Father......Amen."

*Silent Prayer

*Assurance of Pardon

Hear the Good News of the Gospel; as Jesus healed the afflicted and restored those who had died, so too does he heal us and raise us new life.

Thanks be to God!
Gloria Patri
The Peace

#546

Offertory

*Organ Response	#552
*Prayer of Dedication *Doxology	#544
*Hymn	#289

"So Let Our Lips and Lives Express"

HIS LIGHT GRANTS US VISION

Prayer of Illumination

Gracious and holy Father, give us wisdom to perceive you, intelligence to understand you, diligence to seek you, patience to wait for you, eyes to behold you, and a life to proclaim you; through the power of the Spirit of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Reading	Pew Bible pg. 866
Micah 6:	1-8
Second Reading	Pew Bible pg. 166
1 Corinthians	1:18-31
Gospel Reading	Pew Bible pg. 4

Matthew 5:1-12

Sermon Rev. Walkup

"Heaven Can't Wait"

ANSWERING THE CALL TO SERVICE

Presentation of Officers Elect (Class of 2022):

Elders Elect: Dorothy Fisher, Giness Mumba Deacons Elect: Colleen Frey

Prayer

Constitutional Questions (For Those Being Ordained)

Rite of Installation

Pronouncement & Doxology

THE RESPONSE OF LOVE

Invitation Minister

The Great Thanksgiving

Responsive

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

L: Give thanks to God, for he is good.

P: His love is everlasting.

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Petition Words of Institution Sacrament of the Bread and Cup Prayer After Communion

WE BEAR THE LIGHT OF CHRIST TO OTHERS

*Hymn #503

"We Have Heard the Joyful Sound"

*Charge & Blessing

*Postlude

*Please Stand if Able

WORSHIP & COMMUNION TEAM TODAY:

Jim Palmer, Darlene Degenhardt, Diane McGreevy, Giness Mumba

WORSHIP TEAM NEXT WEEK: Colleen Frey, Sean Frey, Craig Frey

Bible Readings



SUNDAY:

"Gathering Together" Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

MONDAY: TUESDAY: "Heavenly View" Psalm 19:1-6
"In God's Time" Isaiah 49:8-10

WEDNESDAY:

"I've Been there" Luke 10:25-37

THURSDAY:

"My Solitary Place" Matthew 26:36-44

FRIDAY:

"Loyal Love" Psalm 89:1-4

SATURDAY:

"Pioneers Of Faith" Psalm 78:1-7

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: "Speak to each other with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs; sing and make music to the LORD in your hearts.

Ephesians 5:19 (CEB)

Please continue to pray for our sick and shut-ins. Pray for Jay Torrance, Dorothy Williams, Mary Ellen Shenkle, Brenda Torrance, George Briggs, Cheryl Harriet, Jock Murphy, Shirley Hahn, Lynne Smith, Sarah Harriett, Vince Wisbar and Eloise Berglund.



Please keep **Grace Shearer**, **our organist**, in your prayers. She was hospitalized last week and is now discharged. She is staying with her son for a couple of weeks. If you would like to send her a **get-well card**, send to her home address. **Thank you.**



Today is Holy Communion Sunday. If you are receiving Holy Communion today, please complete the registration card on the back of the bulletin and place on the offering plate. Thank you.



The ordination/installation of officers, "Class of 2022" is today. Edlers Class of 2022 – Dottie Fisher; Deacons Class of 2022 – Colleen Frey.



If you have **favorite hymns** that you would like **Grace Shearer** to play at a **church service**, write the hymns on the form provided on the hall table and place in the office. **Thank you.**

CORRECTIONS:

There has been a correction to the 2019 Annual Report." On Page 10/Table 6, Pastor's Summary: Line Item 4 (Investment Value Change, \$91,515.75, inadvertently carried over from 2018 Report and should be omitted. Corrected copies available on outside office. Thank you.

Due to a computer file glitch some of the members were left off of the Birthday List in the Jan./Feb./March 2020 Newsletter. Happy Birthday to:



January

8 –Brenda Erdly 13-Nancy Torrance

February

6-Larry Marchetti 10-Colleen Frazier 22-Alice Marchetti

March

11-Gary Gruntz
18-Rosalyn Robbins Zager
22-Ann Downey
31-James Palmer



Whitehall Church is selling chili and wedding soup -- \$7.00 for a quart and \$3.50 for a pint. The deadline to order is today, February 2nd. Pick-up date is Sunday, February 9th. The sign up sheet is on the hall table. Thank you.



Whitehall Church is also selling for Valentine's Day chocolate mousse pie and chocolate covered strawberries - \$9.00 for the pie and \$3.00 for a half dozen strawberries. Orders are due Sunday, February 9th. Pick-up date is Friday, February 14th at Whitehall Church from 9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon. Sign up sheets is on the hall table. Any questions, see Diane McGreevy.