

The Power of Touch



January 19, 2025

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

"Have a heart that never hardens, and a temper that never tires, and a touch that never hurts."

— Charles J. H. Dickens

TIME OF QUIET PREPARATION

Worship begins with the prelude. Please quiet and prepare yourself for worship. Relax your body; quiet the inner dialogue of your mind; be open and receptive to God's Spirit in our midst.

PRELUDE

"In Thee Is Gladness"

Wilbur Held

Organist, Jill Hunt

WELCOME

Liturgist, Kent Meyer

*CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Psalm 36)

Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens,

Your faithfulness to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains,

Your justice is like the deepest sea.

Let us praise you God for the work of your hands.

Let us worship in song and praise.

*OPENING HYMN NO. 138

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name.

Silent Prayer of Confession

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***RESPONSE** "Gloria Patri" (Hymnal #579)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The Peace of Christ be with you

And also with you.

(please turn to your neighbor with expressions of peace and welcome)

SPECIAL MUSIC "The Lord's Prayer" Marsha Markwalder, violin

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL Mark 5:21-34, NRSV

MESSAGE "The Power of Touch" Rev. David Markwalder

***HYMN OF THE DAY NO. 366** "Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me"

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison) The Apostle's Creed

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.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY "In Thee Is Gladness" Dale Wood

***DOXOLOGY** Hymnal # 592)

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (Unison)

Loving God, you have poured out your Holy spirit on us, prompting us to help others by sharing our time, our talents and our treasures. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may help us to do your work in the community and around the world, in the name of Jesus, the Christ. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The congregation responds, "hear our prayer"
Following each petition which concludes, "God, in your grace..."

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.

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

(Not merely announcements, but the activities of our life together that reflect our day-to-day responses to God's call for faithfulness and your invitation to join in!)

***HYMN OF SENDING No. 464** "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

"In Thee Is Gladness"

Robert Hobby

**Please stand if you are able.*



The Week Ahead

Monday, January 20

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

- 11:30am Presbyterian Women
- 1:00pm Girl Scouts of Estes Park
- 3:30pm Ballet Renaissance

Tuesday, January 21

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

- 12:00pm One Day at a Time AA Group
- 12:00PM PEO Chapter AV
- 1:00pm Personnel Committee
- 4:00pm Stephen Ministers
- 5:30pm The Learning Place Family Café
- 6:45pm Hispanic Bible Study

Wednesday, January 22

- 1:00pm The Good Grief Group
- 4:00pm Joyful Bells
- 5:30pm Girl Scout Troop 70455/77784
- 6:30pm Estes Park Chorale

Thursday, January 23

- 12:00pm Stepping Stones Al-Anon Group
- 4:00pm Chancel Bells
- 6:30pm One Day at a Time AA Group

Friday, January 24

- 9:30am Merry Marthas
- 3:30pm Ballet Renaissance

Saturday, January 25

- 9:30am PEO Founders Day Brunch
- 10:00am Girl Scout Troop 70449
- 4:00pm Girl Scout Daisy Troop 76904

Sunday, January 26

- 8:15am Adult Sunday School
- 8:30am Journeys
- 10:00am Worship (Livestream available)
- 6:00pm Oratorio Society Orchestra Rehearsal

Announcements

Greeters this morning are Nancy & Bill Almond.

Fellowship Time—Join us after worship today for coffee and treats hosted by the Presbyterian Women.

Donations for **Crossroads Market** will be collected today. Please place your items in the cart located in the Narthex.

The presentation on Malawi by Jim & Carol Nussbaumer has been postponed. Continue to watch the announcements for the new date/time.

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, January 20th in observance of the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

The **Presbyterian Women's Bible Study** will meet tomorrow, January 20, in the church library to discuss lesson 5 in the Horizon's Bible study book, *Let Justice Roll Down, God's Call to Care for*

Neighbors and all Creation. Betty Meyer will lead the discussion on "Air Quality." We gather at 11:30am and the lesson begins at 12 noon. We hope you can join us.

Wednesday Bible Study with Pastor Christine—There will be no Bible Study on January 22. Bible Study will resume with the book of Genesis on Wednesday, January 29 at noon in the Church Library.

Stepping Stones AI-Anon Group will be meeting in the Lounge on Thursdays from noon—1:00pm beginning January 23rd, led by Sibyl Gardner.

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We seek to serve others, share God's love, and engage all people.



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