



**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**  
**February 5, 2023**  
**Communion**

**PRELUDE**

*Prayer of St. Francis*

Arr. L. Larson

**POURING OUT OF WATERS, PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**RINGING THE BOWL**

Pastor Diane

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Pastor Craig

Jesus said: Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness but shall have the light of life. You are the light of the world, let your light shine before others so that they may see your good work and give glory to God in heaven.

## **✠ OPENING HYMN**

*Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*

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## **CALL TO PRAYER**

Those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not grow faint.

## **UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**O GOD, in the folly of the cross You reveal the great distance between Your wisdom and human understanding. Open our minds to the rich simplicity of the gospel, that, fervent in faith and tireless in love, we may become light and salt to the world. You have appointed us to serve as witnesses. Let us not hide the bright hope given us, but tell others, tell everyone of your love, revealed in Jesus Christ.**

*(Silent prayer) Amen*

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

The Spirit of the LORD appointed Christ Jesus to preach good news to the poor and release to the captives. As Christian followers, we are to go and do likewise. Brothers and Sisters believe the good news, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

✠ **GLORIA PATRI**

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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.

**ANTHEM**

*As We Remember Now*  
Marie Valade, Soloist

M. McDonald

As we come together for this Thy Table Lord,  
Bless us as we drink the cup.  
Bless thou, the bread dear Lord.  
O Heavenly Father renew our lives to Thee.  
Bless us unworthy to receive.  
As you gave yourself, help us to give.  
As you gave your life, help us to live.  
Let us worship you, as we humbly bow.  
Let us worship you as we remember now.

For this is His body which is broken for you.  
He broke it and gave it to me; He offers it to you.  
And here is the blood, His forgiveness of sin.  
Remember Him always 'til Christ comes again.

Come then Holy Christ and feed us as we pray.  
Touch us with Thy pierced hand on every common day.  
Making this earthly life full of Thy grace;  
'Til in the home of heaven we find our place.  
Let us worship you as we remember now.

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

**SCRIPTURE**

Matthew 5: 1-12

Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them.

He said:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn,  
for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek,  
for they will inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
for they will be filled.

Blessed are the merciful,  
for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart,  
for they will see God.

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

Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

**CHORAL AMEN**

**SERMON**

“WE ARE BLESSED”

✠ **HYMN**

*We All Are One in Mission*

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**CALL FOR OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY**

*It Is Well With My Soul*

P.P. Bless/  
Arr. M. Hayes, M. Gaspard

*\*If you haven't already done so, please print your name in the Fellowship Register.*

*\*\* If you have a special prayer request, please fill out the blue card in front of you and place it in the offertory. Our Pastors and the Prayer Ministry Team will pray for your request. There is also a box in the Narthex you may place it in as well.*

✠ **DOXOLOGY**

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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.

## THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

The Invitation

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer (Sung)

**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.**

Sharing the Elements

(Please hold your elements until all may receive together)

⌘ **HYMN**

*I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me*

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⌘ **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

⌘ **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** *Let There Be Peace on Earth*

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.

Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.

With God as our Creator, children all are we.

Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.  
With ev'ry step I take, let this be my solemn vow;  
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.  
Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

♣ **POSTLUDE**

*Humbly, We Adore Thee*

Arr. D. Cherwin

♣ **All those who are able, please stand**

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**FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY PROVIDED BY:** Cheryl Conner, in celebration of her parent's anniversary.

**PLEASE REMEMBER THOSE HOSPITALIZED OR IN REHABILITATION:** Dave Tompkins

**COMING UP:**

**MUSIC IN THE VALLEY CONCERT—TODAY AT 3:00 P.M.** Dr. Kristin Dauphinais, "A Valentine in Song" a program filled with beautiful classical, musical theatre and everything in between. Tickets are \$25.00 available in the Fellowship Hall after worship and at the door.

**THE GRACE OF LES MISÉRABLES,** Monday, February 6th, at 10 a.m. in Classroom 5. Join Eloise Frederickson as she covers session 5, "Building the Barricade: Les Amis".

**BIBLE REFLECTIONS—MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6TH, AT 1:00 P.M.** This week: Exodus 5.

**MISSION QUILTERS**— Monday, February 6th, at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

**YOGA WITH JOSIE**— Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 a.m. \$5 per session.

**MEN’S BIBLE STUDY**-Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 a.m. in classroom 1. This week we begin the study of Ephesians.

**PATIO SALE SORT**—Thursday, February 9th, at 8:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

**THE BOOK: THE STORY OF GOD:** Thursday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00 p.m. This week: The book of Psalms.

**BEGINNING LINE DANCE, THURSDAY AT 3:00 P.M.** In Fellowship Hall.

**EMPTY BOWLS**—Valley Assistance Services will hold an Empty Bowl Event on Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup> with walk-through times every 30 minutes from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tickets are available for \$25 per person after worship today in the Fellowship Hall.

**CHARITABLE GIVING FORUM**—The 2nd annual VPC forum will be held in the Fellowship Hall following church at 11:00 a.m. February 19<sup>th</sup>. Free tickets are available in the Fellowship Hall after worship on February 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. A light lunch will be provided.

**FRIENDSHIP KETTLE DINNER**—Sunday February 19 at 5:00 p.m. with Gerald Carrell and possibly dancer with “A Bit of Hawaii” Tickets are \$15 and available in the Fellowship Hall after worship , Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>.



VPC Financial - Attendance / On-Line Viewing Metrics			
Monthly Giving Support Contributions		Weekly Attendance / Viewing	
December-2022		Through Week 5 (01/29/23)	
Monthly Giving Support	\$ 62,571	Weekly Attendance Sanctuary	345
Monthly Giving Budget	59,679	* YTD 2023 Attendance Sanctuary	1,619
*YTD Giving Support	714,324	** Weekly Viewing On-Line	308
*YTD Giving Budget	737,246	** YTD 2023 Viewing On-Line	869
		* YTD 2023 Attendance / On-Line	2,488
		* YTD 2022 Attendance Sanctuary	1,138
* YTD = Year to Date      ** Number of on-line devices tuned into Sunday service			
S. Ginader - VPC treasurer - steveginader@gmail.com - 952-687-1879    2023 Per Capita is \$41.50 per member			

**WELCOME** to all who enter this place. Drink deeply of the living waters of God’s grace as we worship together in spirit.

**VISITORS:** Consider yourself at home while you are here! Please enjoy a cup of coffee, lemonade and a cookie while visiting the Visitor’s Table in Fellowship Hall after the church worship service. You can pick up a Visitor’s Information Packet at the Visitor's Table or the Welcome Centers. If you would like to receive more information about us, visit us at [valleypres.net](http://valleypres.net) where you can sign up for our daily email blasts and monthly newsletter.

Children are invited to worship in the sanctuary then attend Sunday School after Children’s Time.

We are glad you have joined us today.

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