

February 5, 2017  
Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

**Prelude:** *Allegro* from Concerto #10 G.F. Handel

**Chiming of the Hour**

**\*Hymn:** #459 *O Word of God Incarnate*

**Welcome**

**Joys and Concerns**

**Choral Introit:** *Glory to God*

**Call to Worship**

One: We delight to draw near to you, gracious God. We rejoice in the many gifts you have given us.

**All: We lift up our hearts and voices in praise. We humble ourselves before the God of all worlds.**

One: We gather to remember God's commandments. We seek for ourselves the wisdom God imparts.

**All: The wisdom of God is not like any other. It draws us away from the world's agenda.**

One: God sends us into the world with new priorities. We are grounded in the Spirit that we might be discerning.

**All: We are filled with the mind of Christ. We are already citizens of God's realm.**

One: Come, let us worship God together!

**Prayer of Invocation (in unison)**

May our voices rise like trumpets to greet you, holy God. May our ears be attuned to know your ways. May our hearts be steady, focused on you. Praise be to you, O God, whom we worship with awe and delight. Guide us, we pray, in this time of worship. Touch us at the points of our deepest need. Stir us amidst our entrenched complacency. Make us strong to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the things of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free. Then your light will break forth like the dawn and we will experience your healing care. Amen.

**Call to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession (in unison)**

O God, you call out to us, saying, "Here I am," but we do not listen. You pour out on us spiritual gifts, but we do not discern them. You call us to build a more just society but we cling to our advantages. Forgive us, we pray, and help us to change. Help us to know and understand Jesus Christ that we might reflect the God of glory in our daily living. Create in us a generosity that reflects your own. Pour out your spirit on this congregation that we might understand and use it to build and repair and restore. Hear now our silent confessions as we turn to you seeking mercy, forgiveness and grace. Amen.

**Moment of Silence**

**Assurance of God's Love**

**\*Gloria Patri:** *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.*

**Responsive Reading – Psalm 112**

(Page 692 HS in the pew bible)

**Reading from the Hebrew Scripture – Isaiah 58:1-12**

(Page 841 HS in the pew bible)

**Anthem:** *Come, Let Us Eat* Billema Kwillia

**Sacrament of Communion**

*The cut bread on the communion plate is gluten free.*

*The communion wine is non-alcoholic juice.*

**Communion Prayer**

Gracious God, you have once again shown us your love by bringing us to this meal. We go from this table, renewed in faith, renewed in courage, and strengthened by your presence. Thank you for loving us so tenderly. Thank you for challenging us to know you better and to receive you more fully. It is in Christ's name that we pray. Amen.

**\*Hymn:** #401 *Here in This Place* (v. 1 & 2)  
(Children leave for Sunday School and Youth Discussion Group)

**Offering of Gifts**

**Offertory:** *Andante Moderato* Felix Mendelssohn

**\*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.*

**Prayer of Dedication**

**New Testament Reading – Matthew 5:13-20**

(Page 5 NT in the pew bible)

**Sermon: "Now What?"**

Reverend Diane Monti-Catania

**Pastoral Prayer, Silent Prayer, Lord's Prayer**

**Response:** *Holy, Holy, Holy*

**\*Hymn:** #848 *Trust In God*

**Benediction**

**Response:** *Fivefold Amen*

**Postlude:** *Allegretto* from Concerto #10 G.F. Handel  
(\*Please stand if able)

*If you are visiting us today, Welcome! Please sign the guestbook at the front door and introduce yourself to our Pastor or to one of our Deacons.*

Please join us in the Parish Hall for refreshments and fellowship following worship. All are welcome. Our host today is Linda Estabrook.

*The bulb garden is given in celebration of the life of Graham Davidson by the Davidson Family.*

Please see an usher:

If you would like to use a hearing device;

If you would like to bring your child to the Nursery

Many thanks to:

Sarah Zarbock for serving as lay reader

Sharon Tingley & John Arnold for ushering

Prayer List

Alice Gustafson, Leonard Kaufman, Laura Flores, Margie Vail, Gordon Weekly, Paul McAbee, Shirley Rogers, Jane Fitting, Nancy Tuckerman, Barbara Jacqueline, Gloria Buckley, Petie Robinson, Gay Ayers, The Sosnoff Family, Wilma Tillerman, Emily, Will, Al.

**CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK**

Today	11:30 am Trustees Meeting 2 pm Worship at Noble
Wednesday	7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	4:30 pm Women's Bible Study 7 pm HousaTonics Rehearsal
Friday	7:30 am Men's Bible Study 6 pm "Standing with the Rock" Film
Saturday	9-5 pm PTU Rehearsal
Sunday	11:15 am Christian Action Meeting 1-5:30 pm SWSA Award Ceremony in the Parish Hall 2 pm PTU Lecture in the Meeting House 3 pm PTU Concert in the Meeting House

**OPPORTUNITIES**

**SILVER LAKE SUMMER CAMP**

Registration for Silver Lake Conference Center in Sharon is now open. Take a look at the many great offerings by visiting: [www.silverlake.org](http://www.silverlake.org). Brochures can also be picked up at the Opportunity Table at in the Parish Hall.

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