

 **Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**  
February 5, 2012 - 9:45 a.m.

**SILENT MEDITATION**

Jeremiah 6:16

Thus says the Lord: Stand at the crossroads, and look,  
and ask for the ancient paths,  
Where the good way lies; and walk in it,  
and find rest for your souls.

**PRELUDE** "Fugue in E Minor"

F. Schubert

**GREETING, ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(Please pass the Friendship Pads)

**INTROIT** "This is the Day"

setting by Alice Jordan

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Isaiah 55:1-3

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters;  
**And you, that have no money, come, buy and eat!**  
Come, buy wine and milk, without money and without price.  
**Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for what does not satisfy?**  
Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.  
**Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live.**

\*HYMN #642 "Earth and All Stars"

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**O God, we confess that we sometimes go through life with our eyes dimmed to your glory. We fail to recognize your goodness in the beauty of a sunset, in the gentleness of a breeze, in the richness of a beautifully prepared meal, in the smile of a friend. We treat this world that you have created as something to be used, but not treated with care and reverence. We rush through a day without pausing to look and listen and give thanks. Slow us down, Lord. Open our eyes. Help us to love and enjoy and take good care of all that you have created, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**THE KYRIE ELEISON #375**

Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**GOD'S LAW AS A GUIDE TO GRATEFUL LIVING**

**ANTHEM** "You are the Center"

Margaret Rizza

Tom De Young, violin; Joel Williams, cello

**A MOMENT WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH**

Blessing: **You are God's beloved child. With you, God is well pleased.**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION #177** "Jesus, Name Above All Names"

Jesus, name above all names, beautiful Savior, glorious Lord.  
Emmanuel, God is with us, blessed Redeemer, Living Word.

**SCRIPTURE LESSONS** Zechariah 14:20, 21 (page 888)

Mark 8:22-26 (page 43)

**SERMON** "The Baptismal Life: Holy Things"

**\*APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**  
**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**  
**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**  
**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**  
**He descended to the dead.**  
**On the third day he rose again.**  
**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**  
**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**  
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

(...debts ...debtors)

**OFFERTORY** Meditation on "Unde et memories"

Lynn Trapp

**\*DOXOLOGY #34 AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

The Invitation

Communion Prayer

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Gratitude, praise, hearts lifted high, voices full and joyful—these you deserve.

For when we were nothing, you called us your children. When we turned away, you did not abandon us. When we were lost, you came to find us.

**And now you prepare a table for us, offering not just bread and wine, but your very self, so we may be nourished, filled and raised with you.**

O Lord Christ, for us you took human flesh and were born. For us you preached and healed. For us you suffered and died upon the cross. For us, you rose triumphantly, opening the way to eternal life.

**Your death, Lord Jesus, we remember. Your resurrection, we celebrate.**

**Your coming in glory we await.**

For all that you have done and all that you have promised, what can we offer?

Our hands are empty and our hearts are broken. Yet with you there is mercy and the power to change.

**Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, making us into holy, living sacrifices burning for your glory.**

We do now what you did in an upstairs room. By your Holy Spirit, may we receive in this bread and cup the full fellowship of the body of Christ.

**Make us one with all who share this feast, here at this table, around the world and those who feast in glory. Unite us to serve you until the day when you return to gather your whole church around your table. Come quickly, Lord Jesus!**

Communion Hymn and Words of Institution tune: Lasst Uns Enfreuen

(A) From all that dwell below the skies: Let the creator's praise arise.

(A) Alleluia! Alleluia!

(A) Let the Redeemer's name be sung. Through ev'ry land by ev'ry tongue.

(A) Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

(P) The night that Jesus was betrayed; He blessed and broke the loaf and said,

(A) Alleluia! Alleluia!

(P) "This is My body here for you, My gift that frees and makes you new."

(A) Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

(P) Then Jesus also took the cup, After those gathered had all supped.

(A) Alleluia! Alleluia!

(P) "This is My lifeblood shed for you, The measure of My love for you."

(A) Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

(P) "Do this," He said, "till time shall end, In mem'ry of your loving Friend."

(A) Alleluia! Alleluia!

(P) "Meet at My table and record, The love of your triumphant Lord!"

(A) Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

(A) Jesus, Your feast we celebrate! We share the food You consecrate.

(A) Alleluia! Alleluia!

(A) We glimpse that glad Eternal Feast, To which You welcome great and least.

(A) Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Communion

Communion Thanksgiving

\*HYMN #705 "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

\*BENEDICTION

\*SONG OF BLESSING "My Friends, May You Grow in Grace"

My friends, may you grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord, and Savior.

My friends, may you grow in grace, and in the knowledge of Jesus Christ.

+To God be the glory, now and forever, now and forever, amen.

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**POSTLUDE** "Toccatina in E Minor"

J. Pachelbel

\*Congregation Standing

+Raising hands upward in praise, if you desire

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