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February 16, 2025

9:45 AM

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Guess Who?: Investigating Key Figures of the Bible ***Mt. Zion Bible Detectives: Uncovering the Wonders and Mysteries of the Faith***

Thank you for worshiping with us today. If you are a guest, we invite you to take a moment to complete a visitor's card located in the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate when it is passed. We also invite you to sign your name in our guest book located in the back entrance of the sanctuary.

We welcome infants and children and all their wiggles & voices in our worship! For your comfort, we also have a children's corner in the back narthex where your child can relax and play and you can still participate in the worship experience. We have children's books and activity bags for them to enjoy! Additionally, after the children's message, children from 3 years old—6th grade are invited to participate in Sunday school in our classroom downstairs. They can choose to attend Sunday school or return to their seats to sit with their parents. Please see a member of the welcoming team for assistance!

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOYS & CONCERNS

WEEKLY CLUES

PRELUDE

O Savior Let Me Walk with You

by Gladden

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

L: The invitation is given to every person by Jesus Christ: "Come to me! Follow me! Be my disciples!"

P: We come to this place, to this time, at the invitation of Jesus Christ.

L: In the name of Christ,

P: we accept the invitation to discipleship.

L: In the name of Christ,

P: as his disciples, we worship and praise God.

L: In the midst of a world where cruelty abounds,

P: we proclaim the God of Compassion.

L: In the midst of despair that threatens to swallow up whole lives, whole peoples,

P: we proclaim the God of Hope.

L: In the midst of indifference and apathy,

P: we proclaim the God of Love.

L: Come, let us worship together and share our witness of God's living presence in the world.

*GATHERING HYMN UMH # 354 (see below)


I Surrender All

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J. W. Van Deventer, 1896

W. S. Weeden, 1896

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Grand Piano 

1. All to Je-sus I sur-ren-der; all to him I free-ly give;
2. All to Je-sus I sur-ren-der; hum-bly at his feet I bow,
3. All to Je-sus I sur-ren-der; make me, Sav-ior, whol-ly thine;
4. All to Je-sus I sur-ren-der; Lord, I give my - self to thee;
5. All to Je-sus I sur-ren-der; now I feel the sac-red flame.

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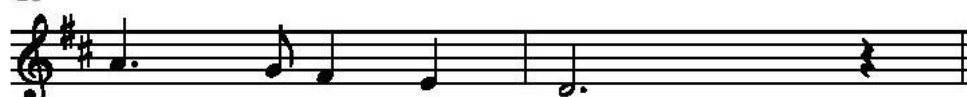
I will ev - er love and trust him, in his pres-ence dai - ly live.
world - ly plea-sures all for - sak - en; take me, Je - sus, take me now.
let me feel the Ho - ly Spir - it, tru - ly know that thou art mine.
fill me with thy love and pow - er; let thy bless-ing fall on me.
O the joy of full sal - va - tion! Glo - ry, glo - ry to his name!

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I sur-ren-der all, I sur-ren-der all, all to thee, my bless-ed Sav-ior,

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I sur-ren - der all.

***TIME OF CONFESSION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

L: God of fruitful labor,

C: work sometimes brings out the worst in us. At home, at school, in the workplace, even in our relationship with you, we too easily question what others do and get, instead of taking care of our own business. Take away our bitterness. Teach us the art of the careful complaint. Give us grateful hearts, we pray. Amen.

(Time of silence for personal reflection)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*ACT OF PRAISE NO. 2237 FWS (vs. 1 & 2)

As a Fire is Meant for Burning

ALL SING: As a fire is meant for burning with a bright and warming flame. So the church is meant for mission giving glory to God's name. Not to preach our creeds or customs but to build a bridge of care. We join hands across the nations finding neighbors everywhere.

We are learners; we are teachers, we are pilgrims on the way. We are seekers; we are givers. We are vessels made of clay By our gentle, loving actions we would show that Christ is light. In a humble, listening Spirit we would live to God's delight.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GUESS WHO SCRIPTURE READING

SERMON

HYMN NO. 173 NCH (black hymnal, see next page)


Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

Cesareo Gabarain, 1979

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Piano $\text{♩} = 80$



1. Lord, you have come to the lake-shore look - ing nei - ther
2. You know so well my pos - ses - sions; my boat car - ries
3. You need my hands, full of car - ing through my lab - ors
4. You, who have fished oth - er o - ceans, ev - er longed for

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for wealth - y or wise ones; you on - ly asked me to fol - low
no gold and no weap - ons; you will find there my nets and
to give oth - ers rest, and con - stant love that keeps on
by souls who are wait - ing, my lov - ing friend, as thus you

11



hum - bly. O Lord, with your eyes you have searched me, and while
la - bor. lov - ing. call me.

17



smil - ing have spok - en my name; now my boat's left on the shore - line be -

23



- hind me; by your side I will seek oth - er seas.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER

ALL: 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WORSHIP CHOIR ANTHEM

Beautiful Savior

A TIME FOR SHARING

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY & DISCIPLESHIP

OFFERTORY

Go Thou Into the World

by Pace

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***CLOSING HYMN NO. 128 UMH** (see next page)

He Leadeth Me

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

The Rejoicing

by Handel

References

¹The Call to Worship is written from the On Earth Peace website. <http://www.onearthpeace.org/> and accessed for use 2/6/25.

²The Prayer of Confession is written and shared on from the Ministry Matters website for use and accessed on 2/6/25.

Welcome Team Members—Vanessa Bicher, Jeff & Nancy Sleeper, Barb Stebbins

Liturgist— Charlie Hull

Tech Team— Deb Herlocker, Jack Herlocker

He Leadeth Me

Joseph H. Gilmore, 1862

William B. Bradbury, 1864

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Piano 

1. He lead - eth me: O bless - ed thought! O
2. Some - times mid scenes of deep - est gloom, some
3. Lord, I would place my hand in thine, nor
4. And when my task on earth is done, when

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words with heaven-ly com - fort fraught! What - e'er I do, wher -
times where E - de's bow - ers bloom, by wa - ters still, o'er
ev - er mur - mur nor re - pine; con - tent what - ev - er
by thy grace the vic - tory's won, e'en death's cold wave I

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Refrain

- e'er I be, still 'tis God's hand that lead - eth me. He lead - eth me, he
troub - led sea, still 'tis his hand that lead - eth me.
lot I see, since 'tis my God that lead - eth me.
will not flee, since God through Jor - dan lead - eth me.

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lead - eth me, by his own hand he lead - eth me; his faith - ful fol - lower

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I would be, for by his hand he lead - eth me.