



Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 9, 2025 10:30 AM

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

RINGING THE BELL

WELCOME AND MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

PRELUDE "Chorale and Prayer" from "Suite Gothique" Leon Boellmann

() Indicates that all are invited to stand*

***CALL TO WORSHIP (1)**

One: We gather in this place to worship our God,

All: calm Presence in our times of confusion and struggle,

One: We gather with fellow pilgrims,

All: as we seek to follow Jesus, Friend to those swamped by fears,

One: We are brought together by the Spirit,

All: who lives in the depths of our souls.

One: Come, let us worship the Presence, Friend, and Spirit that leads us here!

*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN “Enter, Rejoice, and Come In” #307 vv.1-4

New Century Hymnal

(For full music, the New Century Hymnal is located in each pew rack)

Enter, rejoice, and come in. Enter, rejoice, and come in.

***Refrain:* Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.**

Open yourself to the song. Open yourself to the song. *Refrain*

Open your hearts everyone. Open your hearts everyone. *Refrain*

Don’t be afraid of some change. Don’t be afraid of some change. *Refrain*

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (2)

God of love and power, we listen to the stories of miracles and doubt that these things can happen today.

We look at the waves of misfortune, distress, misery, distrust, and anger and wonder how we can still those waves.

Forgive us for the littleness of our faith. Forgive us for our doubts.

Help us to place out trust in you, Lord Jesus.

Help us to fix our eyes on you and on the ministries to which you have called us.

(moment of silent confession)

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (2)

Fear not! God is with us, stilling the storms and raging fears in our lives.

Place your trust in God always.

Thanks be to God!

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE: “Enter, Rejoice, and Come In” v.5

Enter, rejoice, and come in. Enter, rejoice, and come in.

Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.

*PASSING THE PEACE

CONVERSATION WITH OUR CHILDREN

CHORAL ANTHEM

LISTENING

God speaks to us in the Word proclaimed.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 4:35-41 Pew Bible p.816

SERMON

SILENT REFLECTION

HYMN OF REFLECTION “Be Still, My Soul” #488 *New Century Hymnal*

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**Be still, my soul: for God is on your side; Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
Leave to your God to order and provide; In every change God faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul: your best eternal friend through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.**

**Be still, my soul: for God will undertake to guide in future days as in the past.
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake; all now mysterious shall be clear at last.
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know how Jesus’ power ruled them long ago.**

**Be still, my soul: the hour will soon be here when we shall be with God whom we adore
With disappointment gone, no grief or fear, sorrow replaced with joy forever more.
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past, all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.**

RESPONDING

We respond to God’s Word through our prayers and our gifts.

NAMING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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.

OFFERTORY “All Praise to Thee” Paul Manz

(A QR code at the end of the bulletin is available for online giving).

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE: #778 *New Century Hymnal*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

With God’s blessing, we are sent forth to follow Christ in the world.

* COMMISSIONING HYMN "God of the Sparrow" #22 *Glory to God Hymnal*

1 God of the spar - row God of the whale
 2 God of the earth-quake God of the storm
 3 God of the rain - bow God of the cross
 4 God of the hun - gry God of the sick
 5 God of the neigh - bor God of the foe
 6 God of the a - ges God near at hand

God of the swirl - ing stars How does the crea-ture say
 God of the trum - pet blast How does the crea-ture cry
 God of the emp - ty grave How does the crea-ture say
 God of the prod - i - gal How does the crea-ture say
 God of the prun - ing hook How does the crea-ture say
 God of the lov - ing heart How do your chil-dren say

Awe How does the crea-ture say Praise
 Woe How does the crea-ture cry Save
 Grace How does the crea-ture say Thanks
 Care How does the crea-ture say Life
 Love How does the crea-ture say Peace
 Joy How do your chil-dren say Home.

*COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Voluntary in D Minor" John Stanley

Worship Endnotes: 1. Adapted from www.pcwoodbury.com
 2. Adapted from www.ministrymatters.com

