

# FARMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP

## Fifth Sunday after Epiphany February 6, 2022

Worship Online at 11:00am Sunday Mornings
<a href="https://www.farmingtonpres.org">www.farmingtonpres.org</a>
Click "Worship Together"

#### ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

#### PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Holy God, we come together to worship in response to your Spirit's calling. We come from North, South, East, and West literally and figuratively, gathered from the ends of every spectrum to dwell together for your glory. Increase our faith, sustain our hope, and fill us with love that we might live according to your will. We pray in the name of Jesus, Amen.

#### WELCOME

PRELUDE "The Gift of Love"

Raymond Haan

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

The table is set before us; a feast prepared for us.

A meal of bread from the grain of the earth and juice from the fruit of the vine.

Our Lord calls us to receive and remember.

Our Lord calls us to serve and to be served.

We do not fully understand this holy mystery as you give yourself to us and make us one with Christ and one with each other.

As we break the bread and share the cup, we cannot fully understand the depth of his love and the meaning of his sacrifice.

Yet, we will never forget Christ's example; we will never forget Christ's invitation to this joyful feast.

As we gather this morning around the table-Christ's table-let us share the meal together. Let us feast on the Word. Let us worship God with joy! \*HYMN OF PRAISE – No. 396 "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship"

Brethren, we have met to worship and adore the Lord our God. Will you pray with all your power while we try to preach the word? All is vain unless the Spirit of the holy One comes down. Brethren, pray, and holy manna will be showered all around.

Sisters, will you come and help us? Moses' sister aided him. Will you help the trembling mourners who are struggling hard with sin? Tell them all about the Savior. Tell them that he will be found. Sisters, pray, and holy manna will be showered all around.

Is there here a trembling jailer, seeking grace and filled with fears? Is there here a weeping Mary pouring forth a flood of tears? Brethren, join your cries to help them; sisters, let your prayers abound! Pray, O pray, that holy manna will be scattered all around.

Let us love our God supremely; let us love each other, too. Let us love and pray for sinners till our God makes all things new. Christ will call us home to heaven; at his table we'll sit down. Christ will gird himself and serve us with sweet manna all around.

(Please be seated.)

#### CALL TO RECONCILIATION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that our love is fickle. We act selfishly and deny that our actions and way of life harm others and hurt your world. Forgive our disobedience: our lack of trust, our lack of hope, and our lack of love. Help us be the people you created us to be. Create in us a clean heart, provoke in us a craving to serve others with humility and gratitude, and instill in us a desire to love as we have been loved

Kyrie

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

#### \*GLORIA PATRI – NO. 581

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.

#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### THROUGH CHILDREN'S EYES

Nicholas Luter

All children are invited to come to the Chancel steps.

Afterward, young children may return to their seat.

Worship bags are available beside the entrance to the Sanctuary.

#### PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Luke 5:1-11

One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, the people were crowding around him and listening to the word of God. He saw at the water's edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat.

When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch."

Simon answered, "Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets."

When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink.

When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!" For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken, and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon's partners.

Then Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people." So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.

This is the Word of the Lord!

#### Thanks be to God!

#### SECOND READING

I Corinthians 11:17-34

In the following directives I have no praise for you, for your meetings do more harm than good. In the first place, I hear that when you come together as a church, there are divisions among you, and to some extent I believe it. No doubt there have to be differences among you to show which of you have God's approval. So then, when you come together, it is not the Lord's Supper you eat, for when you are eating, some of you go ahead with your own private suppers. As a result, one person remains hungry and another gets drunk. Don't you have homes to eat and drink in? Or do you despise the church of God by humiliating those who have nothing? What shall I say to you? Shall I praise you? Certainly not in this matter!

For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

So then, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup. For those who eat and drink without discerning the body of Christ eat and drink judgment on themselves. That is why many among you are weak and sick, and a number of you have fallen asleep. But if we were more discerning with regard to ourselves, we would not come under such judgment. Nevertheless, when we are judged in this way

by the Lord, we are being disciplined so that we will not be finally condemned with the world.

So then, my brothers and sisters, when you gather to eat, you should all eat together. Anyone who is hungry should eat something at home, so that when you meet together it may not result in judgment.

And when I come I will give further directions.

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

SERMON

"Table Manners"

Rev. Rebecca Luter

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please remember those on our prayer list.

#### RESPOND TO GOD

#### PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

#### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Robert Kreutz

"You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

With joyful lips we sing to you our praise and gratitude that you should count us worthy, Lord, to share this heavenly food. You satisfy the hungry heart with gifts of finest wheat; come give to us, O saving, Lord, the bread of life to eat.

Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ out-poured? Do not one cup, one loaf, declare our oneness in the Lord? The mystery of your presence, Lord, no mortal tongue can tell: whom all the world cannot contain comes in our hearts to dwell?

You give yourself to us; O Lord; then selfless let us be, to serve each other in your name in truth and charity. (Westendorf)

#### \*DOXOLOGY

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.

#### \*Prayer of Dedication

Faithful and loving God, receive and dedicate our gifts of time, talent, and treasure. They have belonged to you from our very beginning. We give them gratefully and joyfully, praying that they may bring faith to those who doubt, hope to

those who despair, and love to all, and so honor and glorify you. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks for the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

SUNG RESPONSES - No. 552, 553, & 554

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.

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

The Communion elements we share this morning are gluten, sugar, nut, and dairy-free bread and white grape juice.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

\* HYMN No. 515 "I Come with Joy"

Verses 3, 4, & 5

As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and strangers now are friends, and strangers now are friends.

The Spirit of the risen Christ, unseen, but ever near, is in such friendship better known, alive among us here, alive among us here.

Together met, together bound by all that God has done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

\*SENDING FORTH HYMN NO. 543

Verses 4 & 5

"God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me"

(Choir Sings Verse 4.)

<sup>\*</sup> BENEDICTION

Walking behind to hem my journey, going ahead to light my way, and from beneath, above, and all ways: O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.

(Congregation Joins for Verse 5.)

Christ in the eyes of all who see me, Christ in the ears that hear my voice, Christ in the hearts of all who know me: O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.

\* POSTLUDE Prelude in C Major

J.S. Bach

\* Stand as able.

**Bold Type** – congregation in unison

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### Participating in the service today:

Rev. Rebecca Luter, Pastor
Doug Barr, Director of Christian Education
Jim Thrash, Director of Music
Tom Bryant, Accompanist
Ann Erickson, Liturgist
Nicholas Luter, Children's Moment
John Hazen and Melissa Still, Ushers
Delilah Davis, Acolyte
Chancel Choir



## Welcome in the name of Jesus, the Christ

We hope that you will sense the presence of the Holy Spirit in this place and find here a place that feels like home. If you are interested in more information about the life of our congregation or in becoming a member, please speak with our pastor, Rev. Rebecca Luter. You may reach her by email at <a href="mailto:rluter@farmingtonpres.org">rluter@farmingtonpres.org</a> or by phone in the church office, 901-754-2794.

New members are received by the Session in one of three ways:

- -Profession of Faith for those who have not previously joined a church,
- -Transfer of Membership for those who are moving their membership from another congregation, or
- -Reaffirmation of Faith for those who have been inactive for some time in church or who wish to rededicate themselves to Christ and his ministry in the world through the church.

Need more information? Want to sign up for something? Looking for the livestream of worship? Go to our website: <a href="www.farmingtonpres.org">www.farmingtonpres.org</a>

Need to give us information? Want to ask a question? Looking for assistance with signing up? Email us at: <a href="mailto:church@farmingtonpres.org">church@farmingtonpres.org</a>

## Happenings at farmington presbyterian

**Children's Sunday School** All ages meet each Sunday morning at 10am for study and fellowship. Elementary in A6, youth in the Youth Room.

The Men's Sunday School Class has temporarily suspended meeting.

**Parables of Jesus** Sunday mornings at 10am in the East Room and on Zoom (Meeting ID: 889 8485 9604, Passcode: Farmington); led by Rev. Rebecca. How would the people following Jesus have understood his teaching? Come explore the Parable of the Rich Fool (Luke 12:13-21) on February 13<sup>th</sup>. No preparation necessary.

**Youth Fellowship** will meet today February 6<sup>th</sup> from 2-4pm in the Youth Room to discuss the "welcoming church".

**First Presbyterian Soup Kitchen** Do you have any blankets or men's coats/jackets that you are not using? Consider donating them to those who need them. Simply place them in the bin in the hallway outside the Youth Room marked Soup Kitchen.

"Souper Bowl" Sunday Fundraiser Last day to order is this Wednesday, February 9th! Purchase your chili, cornbread, and dessert for the Superbowl and support the Soup Kitchen. Pick up after church on Sunday, February 13th. A quart of chili and cornbread and dessert for two is \$20.

**Presbyterian Women** All women are invited to attend the February 20<sup>th</sup> meeting at 2pm as we study the story of Jesus' ancestor, Bathsheba. Zoom.com

**Montreat Youth Conference** is July 16-23. The student cost is \$280. A \$100 deposit reserves your spot for the trip. Rising 9<sup>th</sup> – graduating 12<sup>th</sup>. This is a beloved retreat you will not want to miss.

Flowers for Worship as we regather for worship, we once again have the opportunity to give flowers to grace the Sanctuary in honor or memory of our loved ones. The cost for the flowers is \$60. The Flower Calendar is located on our website and is posted on the bulletin board near Fellowship Hall.

**Fellowship Coffe**e is currently suspended as a precaution during this time. Sign up on our website to provide refreshments following worship, <a href="https://www.farmingtonpres.org">www.farmingtonpres.org</a> Please keep it simple-something sweet and something salty.

**Wednesday Night Dinners** Scott and Becky Hutchins (Fine Foods) are catering to-go orders for dinner to be picked up on Wednesday evenings at the church between 5:00-5:30pm. They are donating 10% back to Farmington. If you would like to order, please contact them at <a href="https://hutchinsathome@gmail.com">https://hutchinsathome@gmail.com</a>.

**Bulletin Mailing List** While we were all worshiping on YouTube Premier, we sent a bulletin weekly to every household. If you are returning to worship in the Sanctuary and would like to be removed from the weekly mailing, please email us at <a href="mailto:church@farmingtonpres.org">church@farmingtonpres.org</a> and let us know.

Communications from the Church If you do not get the Happenings email each week and would like to, please email and let us know. We also send text reminders about upcoming Farmington events. You can get those by texting "@farmpres" to "81010."

**Worshiping in the Sanctuary** Please be mindful of social distancing. Unvaccinated individuals are required to continue to wear masks. Masks are highly recommended but not required for Vaccinated individuals.

**Gathered to Worship...Sent to Serve** In response to God's blessings and to support what God is doing through the Farmington family, you can make your offering through the website, using a checking account, or mail your offering to Farmington Presbyterian Church, 8245 Farmington Boulevard, Germantown, TN 38139.

This week at Farmington...the Transitional Kindergarten class is preparing for their America: Red, White, and Blue program on February 17<sup>th</sup> at 11am. American landmarks are being drawn, patriotic songs sung, and famous Americans studied. For the program, each child dresses as a famous American and gives a speech about their character in history. For a link to watch the program, email gretchen@farmingtonpres.org.

Remember in Prayer...Our Farmington Family, Session and Staff; Robert Applewhite, Jack Arendt, Mary Lou Barrentine, Bruce Bennett, Bonnie Blair, Bill Brown, Renee Cantor, Ralph Carr, Judith Cassidy, Jelena Colasurdo, Mary Lou Collins, Ed Gallagher, Bill Harrington, Mary Hasemeier, Cliff Holland, Vanessa Howard, Loyd & Mary Hudson, Gary Hutchins, Terri Neeley, Sue Odom, Meredith Oest, Nancy & Dennis Palmer, Bob Pointer, Bill Renfrow, Jonathan Riley, Jimmy Robinson, Jack Scherer, Mary Short, Patti Simpkins, Williams Stevens, Susan St. John, Joan Wallace, Frank Whited, Faye Woods, and from our Presbytery: Day of Prayer for Healing & Wholeness, Camp & Conference Ministries.

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