

*SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

"Brighter Than the Sun"

*OFFERING PRAYER

Liberating God, You break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all Your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of Your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior, Amen.

COMMUNION

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*Word's of Institution, *Lord's Prayer, Distribution

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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 and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMNS

LBW # 532

"How Great Thou Art"

*COMMUNION BLESSING

Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy One, we thank You for the healing that springs forth abundantly from this table. Renew our strength to do justice, love kindness, and journey humbly with You. Amen.

*BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **Amen.**

*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*SENDING HYMN

"We Are Marching in the Light of God"



SALT & LIGHT

*Welcome to
Worship at Bethel*

*Sunday, February 5, 2023
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany*

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*"A Family in Christ;
Moved by His Spirit;
Sharing His Love."*

*: Please stand if you are able.
LBW: Lutheran Book of Worship (green)
WOV: With One Voice (blue)

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*INVOCATION

"We Gather"

*GATHERING HYMN

"Here In This Place" v.1,2,4

WOV # 718

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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*HYMN OF MERCY

"A Country Kyrie"

*PRAYER OF THE DAY: **Almighty God, You sent Your only Son as the Word of life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear. Help us to believe with joy what the scriptures proclaim, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 58:1-12

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PSALM

Psalms 112:1-10

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Praise the LORD! Happy are those who fear the LORD,
who greatly delight in his commandments.

Their descendants will be mighty in the land;
the generation of the upright will be blessed.

Wealth and riches are in their houses,
and their righteousness endures forever.

They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright;
they are gracious, merciful, and righteous.

It is well with those who deal generously and lend,
who conduct their affairs with justice.

For the righteous will never be moved;
they will be remembered forever.

They are not afraid of evil tidings;
their hearts are firm, secure in the LORD.

Their hearts are steady, they will not be afraid;
in the end they will look in triumph on their foes.

They have distributed freely, they have given to the poor;
their righteousness endures forever; their horn is exalted in honor.

The wicked see it and are angry; they gnash their teeth and melt away;
the desire of the wicked comes to nothing.

SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 2:1-16

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*GOSPEL VERSE

"Alleluia"

*GOSPEL

Matthew 5:13-20

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The Gospel of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON HYMN

"You Are the Light of the World"

SERMON

Rev. Mark Kindem

*APOSTLES' CREED

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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 into hell. 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 Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your mercy...hear our prayer