



Camp Hill Presbyterian Church

Sunday, Feb. 5, 2023

Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

10:30 a.m.

Welcome!

We are glad you are worshipping with us today.

*Childcare is available from 8:45 a.m. to noon in Room 3 of the Kuhn Education Wing.
We also invite children to use our activity area in the sanctuary.*

Please forgive our diminished lighting. The chandelier and high-ceiling lights will soon be retrofitted with low-energy bulbs. Contractor and supply chain issues have delayed the project.

The flowers this morning are a gift to us from Royer's. They were created for us as a gesture of appreciation and thank you during the height of the pandemic. This is the first day we are using them. Thank you, Royer's, for serving us faithfully.

Worship begins with the first note of the prelude — may we silence our voices and open our hearts, allowing the music to draw us together into the presence of God.

Prelude

Rigoudon

Andre Campra/Wolff

The Brass Choir and Jerrold Tidwell, Organ

Welcome

Announcement: Lenten Series

Nancy Flint

Choral Introit

Spirit of the Living God

Daniel Iverson

The Chancel Choir

*Call to Worship

L: Light shines in the darkness when we are merciful and full of compassion.

P: **It is good to arrange our lives around justice, to delight in God's commandments!**

**Those who are able are asked to please stand.*

L: If God holds us in everlasting remembrance, we can never be shaken.
P: **Our hearts can be established.**
L: We will not shrink,
P: **Even as we give freely to those who need it most.**
L: Our heads are held up in honor.
P: **God's righteousness stands fast forever.**

*Hymn 45

I to the Hills Will Lift My Eyes

*Call to Confession/Silent Personal Confession

When we seek God daily and delight in God's way, we can bear God's judgements. We can delight to draw near the throne of grace. So let us not spare our transgressions, but confess our sins freely, first in silence and then with one common voice. Let us pray.

*Prayer of Confession

Righteous Lord, we confess that we seek you far from here. Too often, we delight in your ways when they lead us far from justice. We humble ourselves while placing burdens on the faint of heart. We fast and mourn at the world's wickedness, while tightening the bonds of those who did not choose them. We choose to hide ourselves in safety from our neighbors, while still their vulnerability is exposed to that which will do them harm. Help us to follow the paths you have chosen, even when it's hard, that we might loose the bonds of hatred, undo the harness of heavy burdens, and help the oppressed go free, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

L: God's promise is this: that our light will break forward like the dawn and healing will spring up from the ground. When we cry out, God answers, Here I am.
P: **Thanks be to God.**

*Gloria Patri

***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.***

Children's Message

The Rev. Nancy Conklin

(After the message, preschool and elementary-age children are invited to follow volunteers to the Little Kirk for an age-appropriate worship experience.)

First Scripture Reading (OT, p. 688)

Isaiah 58:1-12

L: This is the word of the Lord.

P: **Thanks be to God!**

Anthem

Bright Canaan
The Chancel Choir

Alice Parker

Oh, who will come and go with me, I am bound for the land of Canaan. I'm bound fair Canaan's land to see, I am bound for the land of Canaan. O, Canaan, bright Canaan, I'm bound for the land of Canaan, O Canaan, it is my happy home, I am bound for the land of Canaan. Where sin and sorrows are no more, I am bound for the land of Canaan. I'll join those gone before, I'm bound for the land of Canaan. Our songs of praise shall fill the skies, I am bound for the land of Canaan. And higher still our joys they rise, I am bound for the land of Canaan.

Second Scripture Reading (NT, p. 166)

1 Corinthians 2:1-16

L: This is the word of the Lord.

P: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

The Rev. Stuart Seelman

*Hymn 680

Soft Rains of Spring Flow

Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

The Church's One Foundation
The Brass Choir and Jerrold Tidwell, Organ

Dale Grotenhuis

*Doxology (Tune: "Old Hundredth")

*O God, may we who bear your name, by gentle love your grace proclaim,
Christ's gift of peace on earth declare, and your anointing Spirit share.
Amen.*

*Prayer of Dedication

Holy God, you confound the world's wisdom by giving your kingdom to the lowly and pure in heart. Give us such a hunger and thirst for justice and perseverance in striving for peace, that by our words and deeds the world may see the promise of your kingdom, revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Gathering Song 502 *We Who Once Were Dead*

Invitation to the Table

The Great Thanksgiving/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 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.

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

Prayer After Communion

Loving and gracious God, from east and west, from north and south, you have gathered us at your table, called us your beloved, and fed us from your body. Transform us to be your body in the world, and fortify us by your Spirit, so that we may serve you and our neighbors with great joy. Amen.

*Hymn 353

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

*Benediction

Postlude

Finale

Domenico Gabrielli/Wolff

The Brass Choir and Jerrold Tidwell, Organ

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