

# BRING FORTH

The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday, February 4, 2024

THE KINGDOM OF



MERCY

PEACE

JUSTICE

BRING  
FORTH

THE

OF CITY

GOD



**TODAY'S OFFERING OF WORSHIP  
THIS FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

*We gather together...*

**PRELUDE:** *Voluntary*

~ G.F. Handel

**WELCOME**

**CHORAL INTROIT:** *Come, Sing Unto the Lord*

~ Henry Purcell

*Come, sing unto the Lord, sing all ye people.  
Let us rejoice in the strength of our salvation.  
Come before God's presence with thanksgiving and a song.*

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

We have come to worship our mighty God, who is beyond the limits of our finite minds.

**Yet we come bringing our full selves to worship:**

Our hopes and fears, our successes and failures,

**Our most sincere efforts and our half-hearted attempts.**

We have come to worship the God of creation, perfect and holy,  
while we are flawed and incomplete.

**Yet we come unashamed, for God knows us better than ourselves  
and loves us and redeems us.**

So we come to worship, as unworthy as we are, because God invites—even urges—us  
to do so.

**With humility and delight, conviction and confidence,  
we offer ourselves to God, who is worthy of our praise.**

**ALL: Come, let us worship our God.**

\*HYMN #58: *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

\*INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name.**

**Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever.**

**Amen.**

*...to hear God's Word...*

**FIRST LESSON**

Isaiah 40:21-31 (*Old Testament page 668*)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Amen.**

**PSALM**

**HYMNAL #859:** Psalm 147:1-11

**SECOND LESSON**

I Corinthians 9:16-23 (*New Testament pages 171-172*)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Amen.**

**\*GOSPEL LESSON**

Mark 1:29-39 (*New Testament page 35*)

The Gospel of our Lord, God's living Word. **Thanks be to God.**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**\*HYMN #523:** *O Word of God Incarnate*

**SERMON:** *Rev. Todd Johnson*

*...and to respond with our lives...*

**\*HYMN #616:** *Make Me A Servant*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**OFFERINGS TO GOD**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OFFERING**

**\*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.**

**\*HYMN #568:** *Come, Share the Lord*

## HOLY COMMUNION

Call to Communion

Affirmation of Faith

**THE APOSTLES' CREED: HYMNAL #879**

## TAKING

Institution

*Sung Response (to the tune of Hymn #295)*

**His dying we proclaim. Alleluia! Amen!**

**His rising we declare. Alleluia! Amen!**

**His coming we await, now as these gifts we take.**

**Glory to God on high! Alleluia! Amen!**

## BLESSING

**BREAKING:** Breaking the bread, pouring the cup.

**GIVING:** Offering the bread, offering the cup.

**COMMUNION ANTHEM:** *There is a Balm in Gilead*

~ ARR. William Dawson

*There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole,  
There is a balm in Gilead, To heal the sin-sick soul.  
Sometimes I feel discouraged, And think my works in vain,  
But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again.  
If you cannot sing like angels, if you cannot preach like Paul,  
You can tell the love of Jesus, And say "He died for all."*

## THANKSGIVING

*...in the places we now go.*

\***HYMN #725:** *You Are Salt for the Earth*

\***BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE:** *Fugetta*

~ J. Pachelbel

*Join us after the service for coffee and conversation, in the Narthex.*

*Welcome!*

GREETER: Sandy Larsen

READERS: Tom and Diney Ruebel

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Jane Leach

USHER: Jane Leach

COFFEE SERVER: Claire Scranton

LIVESTREAM: Axel Nelson

