



PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH  
OF THE ROSES

*Reaching Out with Nurturing Love to All People*



**You are the salt of the  
earth!**

**(Matthew 5:13-20)**

**February 5th, 2023  
Fifth Sunday of Epiphany  
Worship 10 am**

**First Time Here?** Thank you for coming!  
Please pick up a Welcome Bag in the narthex.  
Please join us for coffee and fellowship in Bowen Hall.

## CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE                    *"I Want Jesus to Walk With Me"*                    Calvin Taylor

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT                    *"The Only Son from Heaven"*                    J.S. Bach

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 71)

God alone is our refuge and hope, our shelter and protection.

**From our first breath to our last, God's love and compassion never fails.**

So come, lift your voices in praise to God. Bear witness to God's acts of mercy and love. Proclaim God's glory to all!

**Let's worship God together!**

\*HYMN #2074                    *"Shout to the Lord!"*                    Darlene Zschech, 1993  
*(Sing the Faith Hymnal)*

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

O God of all, you knew us and chose us before you formed us in the womb. Fill us with faith that speaks your word, hope that does not disappoint, and love that bears all things for your sake, until that day when we shall know you fully, even as we are fully known by you.

**Perfect Light of revelation, as you shone in the life of Jesus, whose epiphany we celebrate, so shine in us and through us, that we may become beacons of truth and compassion, enlightening all creation with deeds of justice and mercy. Amen.**

## WORDS OF AFFIRMATION

Your love, O God, is beyond all we know, yet we trust that you are here with us, and that you care for every detail of our lives.

**We offer you our hearts filled with gratitude. Alleluia! Amen.**

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #581

*Gloria Patri*

CALL FOR OFFERING

Diane Osten

OFFERTORY

*"Siciliano"*

J.S. Bach

\*DOXOLOGY HYMN #606 and PRAYER OF DEDICATION

INSTALLATION SERVICE

Statement on Ordination and Installation

Presiding Clerk of Session introduces officers:

Deacons: Melissa Henry, Kristy Galde, John & Patty Sanders

Elders: Sandy Dodge and Rhonda Darrow

QUESTIONS FOR ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

QUESTIONS FOR THE CONGREGATION

(Active elders may come forward for the prayer with laying on of hands.)

PRAYER OF BLESSING FOR INSTALLATION AND ORDINATION:

Gracious God, with joy we give you all thanks and praise. Throughout the ages you have been faithful to your covenant people. In every time and place you have chosen servants from among your people to point the way to Jesus Christ who came not to be served but to serve, to give his life to set others free. In the church deacons, elders, and pastors serve together so that your whole people might be equipped for ministry. For your servants in every age, O God, and for the church we give you thanks and praise.

**Pour out your Holy Spirit upon these your Deacons and Elders. Give them openness to the Holy Spirit's leading that they may see and serve wherever there is need. Give them wisdom and courage and**

**nourish them in the life of the spirit that they may exercise their ministry with humility and compassion. Give them joy in their walk of faith and a sure sense of your abiding presence. Make us all strong in Christ to live as our people and show forth your saving love in the world, by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen**

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION HYMN#451 *Open My Eyes*

***Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me.  
Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and  
set me free.***

***Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.  
Open my eyes; illumine me, Spirit divine!***

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 71: 1-6

Diane Osten

In you, O Lord, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame. In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me and save me. Be to me a rock of refuge a strong fortress, to save me; for you are my rock and my fortress. Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel. For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord, from my youth. Upon you I have leaned from my birth; it was you who took me from my mother's womb. My praise is continually of you.

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM

*"Light of the World"*

Joel Raney

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 5:13-20

"You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. Do

not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.  
Holy Wisdom, Holy Word! **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

“Are You Salty?”

Rev. Dr Cindy Alloway

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, God of majesty and splendor. By your power you created all that is, making a universe out of chaos, and ruling over all things in love. Throughout the ages you called your people to love and serve you, and to be your light among the nations. When we failed you, you did not fail us and sent prophets to call us back to your ways. Set our minds on your Holy Spirit, in whom we find our life and peace. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Remembering your gracious acts in Jesus Christ, we take from your creation this bread and this wine and joyfully celebrate his dying and rising as we await the day of his coming. With thanksgiving we offer our very selves to you, dedicated to your service. Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, that we may be one with all who share this feast, united in ministry.

**As this bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world. Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

*(Please form two lines and come forward to receive the bread and cup of grape juice, please place cups in baskets as you return to your seat.)*

HYMN #527                      "*Eat This Bread*"                      Jacques Berthier, 1984  
(Sing as the elements are passed.....)

COMMUNION PRAYER

**Wondrous God of infinite love and boundless compassion, we thank you for providing this sacred meal, and for the joy of being in your presence. May these grace-filled elements stitch into our souls the desire to serve, the power to heal, and the capacity to love deeply and genuinely. Mold us into reservoirs of hope, that we might pour out your bountiful blessings upon all people. Unite us and help us show that we know your love and proclaim your Son with fervor and grace to a broken and hurting world. May we use our hands for healing and our innate love be the salve for**

**ending hurt and violence in this world. In the holy Name of Jesus who taught us to pray saying: 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**

\*HYMN #727(vs. 1-4) "*Will You Let Me Be Your Servant*" Richard Gillard

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

**Reference:** Communion prayer ~ adapted by Leonard Sweet, posted on *Preach the Story*.



*"Flowers donated by Barbara Basham  
in memory of Jeff's parents,  
Pat & Guy Basham"*

PASTOR: *Rev. Dr Cindy Alloway* LITURGIST: *Diane Osten*

MUSIC: *Carol Menke, Althea Wright & The Chancel Choir*

AUDIO VISUAL TECHNOLOGY TEAM : *Phil Goede, Norm Smith, Jonathan Parnell, and Nico Wycoff*

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**PRAYER REQUESTS- *Please include in your prayers***

**Those mourning the death of their loved ones**

\*The family and friends of Pat Sneath as they mourn her death on January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**Those with health issues**

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|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Darren Adams     | Robert Flandermeyer | Lisa Nolan         |
| Donald Adams     | Wendy Galde         | Nancy Pinney       |
| Shirley Anderson | Cathy Guy           | Howard Powers      |
| Greg Basham      | Michele Hare        | Priscilla          |
| Jeff Basham      | Phil Henry          | Lynette Randerson  |
| Jeanette Bauer   | Mary Lou Hensley    | Sherry Rupp        |
| Jim Bauer        | Werner Hoehenrieder | Pamela Sage        |
| Bill Beaumont    | Brittany Hunt       | Bob Simmons        |
| Barbara Blinn    | Maryann Iodence     | Marie Slack        |
| Patrick Butler   | Jennifer            | Bill St. John      |
| Peggy Call       | Rusty Jump          | Dina Takahama      |
| Leslie Colby     | Carolyn Kenworthy   | Bob Weber          |
| Marjorie Cortez  | Margret Kram        | Jill White         |
| Doreen Cowden    | Vivian Mazeski      | Roger White        |
| Pat Currier      | Marilyn MacLean     | Helen Wikle        |
| Eldon Davis      | Gene Michel         | Betty Witchey-Ryer |
| Toni Drucker     | Jessica Morse       |                    |

**Those serving in our military**

James Kuntz (Sorani), US Navy on the USS Scranton. Sgt. David A. Dickens, USAF Jason Morse, Coast Guard Lt. Commander Ian Alloway Culver, Lt. Col. David Trowbridge, M.D. with the Air Force Reserve.

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**Upcoming @ Church of the Roses**

**Fri 2/10/22 5:30-7:30pm- Parents Night Out-kids stay here- Parents go on a date**

**Sat. 2/11/23 10am Presbyterian Women’s Group- All Welcome!**

**Sun 2/12/23 New Member Recognition**

**2pm Free Concert -Young Aspiring Musicians in Recital**

**Sat. 2/18/23 8:15am PCOR Men’s Group- All Welcome**

**Sun. 2/19/23 After service- Assemble Blessing Bags**

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