

Worship on the Fifth Sunday After Epiphany
February 4, 2024

The Rev. Dr. Rosanna Anderson, Designated Term Pastor
Diane Dawson Dexter, Organist

Prelude "Londonderry Air" Irish Melody

Welcome and Announcements Dr. Anderson

Call to Worship (Psalm 147:1-5)

Praise the LORD! How good it is to sing praises to our God.

God is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.

The LORD builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel.

God heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

He determines the number of the stars and gives to all of them their names.

Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; God's understanding is beyond measure.

Prayer of the Day

Holy God, the earth is filled with your glory, and in your presence angels stand in awe. Enlarge our vision, that we may recognize your power at work in our lives and join the prophets and apostles as heralds of your saving word. We ask this through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. Amen.

Hymn 64 "Holy, Holy, Holy!"

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, you call us to share our bread with the hungry, to care for the poor, and to satisfy the needs of those who suffer. Some of your commandments are easy to follow, and others require much of us. When we consider the brokenness of our world, it is easy to feel overwhelmed. Forgive us when we use a sense of helplessness as an excuse. Remind us that you are working through your Spirit in us to bring about your kingdom. Free us from fear and stir our hearts

toward a greater generosity, that we might be the salt and light you call us to be. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Isaiah 40:21-31

New Testament 1 Corinthians 9:16-25

Sermon "Have You Heard?" Dr. Rosanna Anderson

Offertory "Our Parent, by Whose Name" J. D. Edwards

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Everlasting God, you graciously provide what we need. We are grateful that you bring healing and hope for us as individuals and as a faith community. Accept our gifts and use them to strengthen our church's ministries with our neighbors. May more people come to know you and your love through our words and actions. We pray in the precious name of Jesus. Amen.

Invitation to the Lord's Supper

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

(*Prayer continues.*) Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with the choirs of angels, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, 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.**

(Prayer continues.) ... Great is the mystery of faith:

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

Prayers of the Church and the Lord's Prayer (*trespasses*)

Sharing of the Elements and Prayer After Communion

Hymn 318 "Christ Is Alive!"

Benediction Dr. Anderson

Postlude "Study 23" Stephen Heller

Church Calendar

Tuesday, February 6 **Meeting of the Board of Trustees**
9:30 a.m. in the Parlor and online

Wednesday, February 7 **Psalms Bible Study**
9:00 a.m. in the Parlor and online

Friday, February 9 **Pizza & Games Night**
5:00 – 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

Sunday, February 11 **Transfiguration Sunday Worship**
10:00 a.m. in Union Chapel and via live stream

Wednesday, February 14 **Ash Wednesday**
Lenten Bible Study 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. in the Parlor and online
Everyone is invited to attend Mass with Distribution of Ashes at 5:30 p.m.
at Our Lady of Grace, with Communion for Catholic participants.

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Becky Walters, Administrative Assistant

Laura Chapman, Sexton

*"Whoever you are and wherever you are on
your faith journey, you are welcome here."*



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