Worship on the Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany February 9, 2025

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

Prelude "Ave Verum Corpus" Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

(John 8:12)

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness but will have the light of life."

May we walk in the way of righteousness as children of God. We are called to serve the world as salt of the earth.

May we shine as beacons of hope as we share the good news of Christ.

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 your Son 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 626 "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, you call us to care for others and provide for 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 your Spirit is at work in and through us to bring about your kingdom. Free us from fear so that we might be the salt and light you have called us to be. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Isaiah 6:1-8

New Testament Luke 5:1-11

Sermon

Dr. Rosanna Anderson

Affirmation of Faith Fishers Island Union Chapel By-Laws (2002) We accept as our basic beliefs the central historic beliefs of the Christian faith: We believe in God who creates, sustains and redeems the world; and in Jesus Christ, God's Son, who for us and our salvation lived, died and was raised from the dead; and in the Holy Spirit who comforts, renews and strengthens the followers of Christ. Confessing our belief in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we unite for the purpose of walking in God's ways, living as God's obedient servants, working and praying for the growth of the church, and for serving all people as Christians.

Offertory "My Tribute" by Anae Crouch

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.

Prayer of Dedication

Everlasting God, you are kind and trustworthy. Every day you graciously provide what we need. We are grateful that you bring healing and hope for our us as individuals and as a community of faith. Accept these gifts to strengthen our church's outreach to our neighbors. May more people come to know you and your love. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.

Hymn 186 "Alleluia"

Sharing Joys and Prayer Concerns

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 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.

Hymn 384 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Postlude "Celebration!" by David Paxton

Church Calendar

Sunday, Feb. 9 Worship and Fellowship 10:00 a.m. Intuitive Collage 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Amy Harris leads this refreshing time for creative expression.

Wednesday, Feb. 12 **Bible Study** 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. Join our hybrid study of *Good Enough*, devotions 10 through 14.

Thursday, Feb. 13 **Tots Time** 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. Parents and toddlers gather to enjoy play time and conversation.

Sunday, Feb. 16 **Worship and Fellowship** 10:00 a.m. You are welcome to worship with us onsite or via live stream.

Save the Date! On Sunday, February 23, the Rev. Pamela Vollinger will return as our Guest Preacher.

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