# **February 5, 2023**

#### **Prelude and Chimes**

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

\*Call to Worship (inspired by Psalm 112:1-10)

Leader: Praise the Holy One! Be in awe of God!

People: Happy are those who delight in the God's presence!
Leader: Fear no evil. Keep your heart firm. Be secure in God!
People: Happy are those who delight in the God's protection!

Leader: Arise for what is right. Be pursuers of justice.

People: Happy are those who delight in the God's power!

\*Hymn #24: "The God of Abraham Praise"

\*Passing of the Peace

Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:13-20 Mike Crompton

### Anthem

### **Time With Young Disciples**

### **Unison Prayer**

O God, we realize you do not call us to be successful in the marketplace; you call us to be faithful as disciples of Jesus. You do not call us to achievement in work, but to responsible living. You do not call us to make a great fortune, but to labor for your reign. Guide us into greater understanding of your priorities. Amen.

Sermon: "Salt and Light"

\*Hymn #181: "You Are Salt for the Earth, O People"

**The Community at Prayer** (Joys and Concerns, Prayers for the People, Lord's Prayer)

If you are watching online, type any prayer requests in the chat by the end of the sermon and we can voice them and get the names on the prayer list.

### **Prayer Response**

### Invitation to the Offering

(Opportunities to give for the ministries of this church are available through an offering plate during service, by mailing your gift to the church office, or by signing up for electronic giving through our website.)

## \*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God for all that love has done Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

### \*Prayer of Dedication

We bring these offerings because of the love you have poured out on us in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Your gift calls for a response that cannot be contained in envelopes or offering plates. Nothing less than all we have and all we are is good enough to dedicate to your will and purposes. With fear and trembling, yet with joy, relief, and gratitude, we bring you all we have to give – ourselves. Use us, that your rule may be realized among all people. Amen.

### **Sacrament of Holy Communion**

Friends, God prepares a feast for you and all people; a feast of good things, a feast of peace. Come and taste. Eat and be filled. Drink deep and never thirst again. Come to the feast God prepares.

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to God most high.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Holy God, our loving Creator, close to us as breathing and distant as the farthest star, we thank you for your constant love for all you have made....Gifted by the presence of your Holy Spirit, we offer ourselves to you as we united our voices with the entire family of your faithful people everywhere saying:

Holy, holy, holy God of love and majesty, the whole universe speaks of your glory, O God Most High.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God! Hosanna in the highest!

Words of Institution and Consecration Sharing the Elements

# \*Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give thanks almighty God, that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen

\*Hymn #522: "I Love to Tell the Story"

\*Commissioning and Blessing

\*Choral Response