

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

8:30 a.m.

February 20, 2022

11:00 a.m.

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*Prelude - O God, Beyond All Praising - Charles Callahan*

***Call to Worship***

In returning and rest you shall be saved;  
**in quietness and in trust shall be our strength.**

***Opening Hymn No. 419 - I Am Thine, O Lord***

I am thine, O Lord, I have heard thy voice,  
and it told thy love to me;  
but I long to rise in the arms of faith  
and be closer drawn to thee.

Refrain:

Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,  
to the cross where thou hast died.  
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,  
to thy precious, bleeding side.

Consecrate me now to thy service, Lord,  
by the power of grace divine;  
let my soul look up with a steadfast hope,  
and my will be lost in thine.  
(Refrain)

O the pure delight of a single hour  
that before thy throne I spend,  
when I kneel in prayer, and with thee, my God,  
I commune as friend with friend!  
(Refrain)

There are depths of love that I cannot know  
till I cross the narrow sea;  
there are heights of joy that I may not reach  
till I rest in peace with thee.  
(Refrain)

***Invocation***

**Almighty and everlasting God,  
in whom we live and move and have our being,  
you created us for yourself,  
so that our hearts are restless until they find rest in you.  
Grant to us such piety of heart and strength of purpose  
that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing your will,  
and no weakness from doing it.  
In your light may we see life clearly  
and in your service find perfect freedom;**

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## PROCLAMATION

*The Word of God is read and proclaimed for all ages*

### **Scripture Reading**

Luke 8:22-8:23a (New Testament page 67/63)

One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them,  
'Let us go across to the other side of the lake.' So they put out, and while they were sailing he fell asleep.

Genesis 1:31 - 2:3 (Old Testament page 2)

God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### **God's Word for Young Disciples**

#### **Anthem**

8:30 - *Who Is the One* - Craig Courtney

11:00 - *Praise His Holy Name* - Keith Hampton

**Sermon** - *The Necessity of Naps*

Rev. Jon Priebe

### **Hymn of Response No. 358 - Dear Lord and Father of Mankind**

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
forgive our foolish ways;  
re clothe us in our rightful mind,  
in purer lives thy service find,  
in deeper reverence, praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard,  
beside the Syrian sea,  
the gracious calling of the Lord,  
let us, like them, without a word,  
rise up and follow thee.

O sabbath rest by Galilee,  
O calm of hills above,  
where Jesus knelt to share with thee  
the silence of eternity,  
interpreted by love!

Drop thy still dews of quietness,  
till all our strivings cease;  
take from our souls the strain and stress,  
and let our ordered lives confess

the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire  
thy coolness and thy balm;  
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,  
O still, small voice of calm.

### ***Baptism***

Do you, as Christ's body, the Church,  
reaffirm both your rejection of sin  
and your commitment to Christ?

**We do.**

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life  
and include these persons now before you in your care?

**With God's help we will proclaim the good news  
and live according to the example of Christ.**

**We will surround these persons  
with a community of love and forgiveness,  
that they may grow in their trust of God,  
and be found faithful in their service to others.**

**We will pray for them,  
that they may be true disciples  
who walk in the way that leads to life.**

Members of the household of God,  
I commend these persons to your love and care.

Do all in your power to increase their faith,  
confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

**We give thanks for all that God has already given you  
and we welcome you in Christian love.**

**As members together with you  
in the body of Christ  
and in this congregation  
of The United Methodist Church,  
we renew our covenant  
faithfully to participate  
in the ministries of the Church  
by our prayers, our presence,  
our gifts, our service, and our witness,  
that in everything God may be glorified  
through Jesus Christ.**

### ***Discipleship Moment***

### ***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.**

### ***Prayers of the People and 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. Amen.

#### SENDING FORTH

*The people of God are sent forth to serve others and witness to their faith.*

#### **Closing Hymn No.496 - Sweet Hour of Prayer**

Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer!  
that calls me from a world of care,  
and bids me at my Father's throne  
make all my wants and wishes known.  
In seasons of distress and grief,  
my soul has often found relief,  
and oft escaped the tempter's snare  
by thy return, sweet hour of prayer!

Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer!  
the joys I feel, the bliss I share  
of those whose anxious spirits burn  
with strong desires for thy return!  
With such I hasten to the place  
where God my Savior shows his face,  
and gladly take my station there,  
and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer!

Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer!  
thy wings shall my petition bear  
to him whose truth and faithfulness  
engage the waiting soul to bless.  
And since he bids me seek his face,  
believe his word, and trust his grace,  
I'll cast on him my every care,  
and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer!

#### **Benediction and Choral Response - (Hymn No. 143)**

**And God will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of God's hand.**

#### **Postlude -O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High (Hymn 267) -**

Charles Callahan



#### **The flowers on the altar are dedicated to the glory of God and given:**

In memory of our parents, Paul and Florence Jones and Ray and Edna Lewis, by Gerald and Carol Lewis;  
in memory of Bill Schmidt by Lynda Schmidt and family.

**Service Music:** 8:30 - Epworth Choir; 11:00 - Chancel Choir

**Altar Guild:** Carol Lewis, Paulette Wagner

**Music:** One License A-731491

**\*\*Please rise as you are able. Please silence all cell phones and other electronic equipment. Hearing devices and large print hymnals are available in the narthex. CDs of the service are available by signing up at the Welcome Center.**

## CHURCH NOTES

**Being Baptized Today:** Joseph Vincent Cambria III and Joseph Vincent Cambria IV who is the son of Joseph III and Madison (McBryer) Cambria.

**ROCK...** has returned with some changes: Music Rehearsals from 4 – 5 p.m. (Those children who play bells or chimes need to talk with Dean Wagner about their availability.) Dinner at 5:00 p.m. – the cost has gone up to \$3 per child and \$4 per adult. Rock rotation will take place from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. which means that the evening will end thirty minutes early at 6:30 p.m. February 20 is also being added back into the schedule as the Wesley Trip will end on Saturday.

**Altar Flowers:** We are still taking orders for altar flowers in 2022. The cost is \$38 and the church takes care of ordering and delivery. If you would like to reserve a date, contact Christy Meyers at cmeyersfallsumc@gmail.com or Ext. 210.

**Hat & Mitten Mission:** Please consider donating new winter hats/gloves/mittens, or even socks to help those that are in need. Donated items may be dropped off on the missions table located outside the church library. IF you would like to place the items on the line near the corner of Portage Trail & 3rd street, please place the items in ziplock baggies and put one of the mission cards (located on the missions table) in the bag.

**Blessing Box:** Our blessing box continues to live up to its name by helping those in our own community with needed items. We are in need of the following items: personal hygiene items (toothpaste, soap, shampoo, toothbrushes, etc. Dry goods, ramen noodles, canned soups, granola bars, all continue to be needed. Please do not donate items in glass jars/ bottles, as the cold can cause the glass to shatter.

**Epworth Spring Tour:** The Epworth Choir is going on tour and could use your help. Yes, after 2 years of no tours, we are heading to Florida and South Carolina on March 25. We have some youth who could use some financial assistance with their tour, so if you would like to sponsor a youth in part that would be great. Also, we did not hold our annual fund raiser of a Pasta Dinner last month, so if you usually attend the dinner, would you consider making a small donation of what you might usually spend for that dinner and send it in and mark it "Epworth Tour" and that would greatly help us out. We thank this congregation always for your generosity and support of our youth!

**Organ Recitals:** The Thursday Organ Recitals will return for Lent beginning March 3. Dean Wagner will present half hour concerts of live music in the sanctuary every Thursday from Noon to 12:30. Feel free to come in and hear the organ only as the organ can be heard. So many people say that while it is nice to hear the organ online, it also needs to be felt! There will be plenty of room to spread out in the sanctuary. We hope to see you there.

**First Church Feeds:** Our next distribution will be Saturday, February 26, from 11:30 until 12:30. We will pack the food Wednesday, February 23, at 7:00 pm, and Friday, February 25, at 10:00 am. If you are willing and able to assist with food distribution or packing, email Jen LaFleur at jenlafleur98@yahoo.com to let her know of your availability.

**Easter Flowers:** Now is the time to order the flowers which will adorn our altar on Easter morning. The plants are \$8.50 each. The list of donors and those memorialized or honored will appear in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Please place your order in the offering plate and indicate the number of each plant that you are ordering.

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\_\_\_ Tulips

\_\_\_ Hyacinths

\_\_\_ Lilies

\_\_\_ Daffodils

In memory or honor of (circle one) \_\_\_\_\_

Donor \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### **Next Steps**

#### **Calming the Storm**

Luke 8:24 – Jesus’s dominion over nature easily captures our attention

what Jesus is capable of is very impressive, and yet...

#### **Even Jesus Took Naps**

Luke 8:23 – the fact that Jesus needed and took a nap should give us pause

rest is indispensable as it allows us to be of no use to anyone; to only be God’s beloved

Questions for Reflection: In the Parable of the Talents, Jesus repeated a phrase from the master of the house to his servants that has become the hope of many Christians for the first words we’ll hear from God after we die: “Well done, good and faithful servant... enter into the joy of your master.” We hope that God will approve of the work we have done on this earth, faithful as we’ve used the gifts and talents that we were given to care for ourselves and others and bring glory to God.

However, no one care be productive 24/7 for their whole lives. What does God think of us when we are not doing something of use to God? What does God think of us when we take a break?

Questions for Discussion: What is the longest time you have been at rest? Minutes? Hours? An entire day? What did it feel like to have no responsibilities to others?

Memory Verse: *Luke 5:16* – “But he would withdraw to deserted places and pray.”

Readings for this Week: Luke 5:12-16, Isaiah 41:2-11, Luke 18:15-17

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**MINISTERS & STAFF:**

Forrest Waller

**HOSPITALIZED:**

**MEMBERS TO BE REMEMBERED IN PRAYER:**

Scott Adie	Jean Finnegan	Robby & Lou Robinson
Bob Ahonen	Dave Gohr	Kathi Sawyer
Shirley Asher	Rose Gregory	Dick Shoults
Mary Ellen Atwood	Joyce Haberkost	Linda Sterling
Alice Becher	Jim Henes	Kay Steiner
Behrman family	Dr. Jim Lewis (Patsie)	Kelly Taylor
Donna Copeland	Isabel Lindsey	Ken Tunstall
Don Corbett	Pat Park	Jim Vogel
Bill Dreyer	David Potter	

**DEEPEST SYMPATHY & PRAYERS:**

Jon Priebe and family on the death of his mother, Kathy Priebe on 2/11.

Dorothy Light and family on the death of her daughter-in-law, Julie Light on 2/11.

Keith Winget and family on the death of his wife, member Marty Winget on 2/4.

Tim and Leigh Potokar and family on the death of their son, member Matthew on 2/8.

Dorothy Light and family on the death of her brother, Derek Collins on 1/31.

Rosalie Goshen and family on the death of her sister, Valarie Seese on 2/2.