

ORDER OF WORSHIP

February 7, 2021

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Gathering

As the congregation gathers, please take a moment to wave to people sitting around you whom you may not know. Hebrews 13:2 (KJV) says, "Be not forgetful to entertain strangers; for thereby some have entertained angels unaware."

Prelude

Holly Slice, Pianist

Greeting

Opening Hymn *Tell Me the Stories of Jesus*

Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear; things I would ask him to tell me if he were here: scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea, stories of Jesus, tell them to me.

First let me hear how the children stood round his knee, and I shall fancy his blessing resting on me; Works full of kindness, deeds full of grace, all in the love light of Jesus' face.

Into the city I'd follow the children's band, waving a branch of the palm tree high in my hand; one of his heralds, yes, I would sing loudest hosannas, "Jesus is King!"

Responsive Reading

Psalm 139:1-6

O Lord, you have searched me and known me!

**You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.**

You search out my path and my lying down,
and are acquainted with all my ways.

**Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord,
you know it altogether.**

You pursue me behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me.

**Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is high, I cannot attain it.**

Gloria Patri

Pastoral Prayer

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Let us pray.

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.*

The Scripture Lesson

Matthew 5:1-6

Minister: The word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Special Music

The Servant Song

Holly Slice

Sermon

"Picture of a Servant"

Rev. Mark Barnes

Hymn of Dedication

It Is Well with My Soul

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll; whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul.

Refrain: It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

My sin, oh, the bliss of this glorious thought! My sin, not in part but the whole, is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more, praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! **Refrain**

And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll; the trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend, even so, it is well with my soul. **Refrain**

Benediction

Postlude

The Altar Flowers today are given to the Glory of God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Free Tax Filing

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) is an IRS sponsored group that provides free federal and state income tax preparation and filing. This program is targeted at low and moderate income taxpayers, and is locally operated by The Charleston Trident Urban League. All volunteer tax preparers are certified in various areas of tax law and have years of experience.

Due to the pandemic, we will be providing no-contact service. Clients must bring all tax paperwork and a clear copy of photo ID and social security cards to be dropped off at the site. They will then fill out necessary intake information and can leave until the tax return is complete and ready for signature and pickup, usually within an hour or two.

Services will be available at Bethany on Saturdays from Jan.23 - April 10. The hours will be 10 am – 2 pm. Service is by appointment only. Please contact Blair Stewart, Site Coordinator, 843.270.3001 or bhsbtb@gmail.com, for appointments and questions.

Family Scavenger Hunt

My True Love Family Scavenger Hunt will be on Sunday, Feb. 14. Pick up a box and instruction sheet anytime between 9:30 am - 4:30 pm on Feb. 14 for a fun way to learn about God's True Love. The scavenger hunt should take your family about an hour at your own pace and will take place outside on Bethany's campus. The hunt will be outside and you can do it at your own time and pace. We hope that any of you with children will come join us.

Lent in a Box

Lent in a box will be available for pick up on Sunday, February 14 after all worship services, from 11:30 am - 1 pm under the covered walkway, and throughout the Lenten Season in the business office. Inside the box you'll find a treasure trove of timeless and creative prayers and ordinary objects that will help you practice a Holy Lent.

RightNow Media

Don't forget you have access to tons of video resources - Bible studies, movies, TV shows and more - on RightNow Media. To sign up, simply text Rightnow Bethany message to 41411.

Stephen Ministry

If you are hurting, in need of a hand to hold on to or talk thru an issue or problem we are a Stephen Ministry Church and have Stephen Ministers ready to be with you. Contact Denis Tsukalas 843.871.0381 or Mary Kay Wrenn 843.323.2130 or 843.821.3123.



***Bethany United Methodist Church
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