

**Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany**

**February 7, 2021**

***GATHERING***

Announcements and Greeting

*Prelude:* "I Want Jesus to Walk With Me" Lynn Petersen

Invocation

Hymn: #365 "God Reigns! Let Earth Rejoice!" (see download)

Prayer of Confession

*Assurance of Pardon*

**Response:** Take, O take me as I am; summon out what I shall be; set your seal upon my heart and live in me. (p.#698)

***PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD***

*Anthem:* Meditation on "Terra Beta" Charles Callahan

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Hymn: #833 "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go"

1. O Love that wilt not let me go,  
I rest my weary soul in thee;  
I give thee back the life I owe,  
that in thine ocean depths its flow  
may richer, fuller be.
2. O light that followest all my way,  
I yield my flickering torch to thee;  
my heart restores its borrowed ray,  
that in thy sunshine's blaze its day  
may brighter, fairer be.

3. O joy that sleekest me through pain,  
I cannot close my heart to thee;  
I trace the rainbow through the rain,  
and feel the promise is not in vain  
that morn shall tearless be.
4. O cross that liftest up my head,  
I dare not ask to fly from thee;  
I lay in dust life's glory dead,  
and from the ground there blossoms red  
life that shall endless be.

*Scripture Reading:* Psalm 147:1-11, 20c

- 1 Praise the Lord!  
How good it is to sing praises to our God;  
for he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.
- 2 The Lord builds up Jerusalem;  
he gathers the outcasts of Israel.
- 3 He heals the brokenhearted,  
and binds up their wounds.
- 4 He determines the number of the stars;  
he gives to all of them their names.
- 5 Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;  
his understanding is beyond measure.
- 6 The Lord lifts up the downtrodden;  
he casts the wicked to the ground.
- 7 Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving;  
make melody to our God on the lyre.
- 8 He covers the heavens with clouds,  
prepares rain for the earth,  
makes grass grow on the hills.
- 9 He gives to the animals their food,  
and to the young ravens when they cry.
- 10 His delight is not in the strength of the horse,  
nor his pleasure in the speed of a runner;  
11 but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him,  
in those who hope in his steadfast love.
- 20c Praise the Lord!

Sermon: **The Love That Moves the Sun and the Other Stars**

***RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD***

\*Affirmation of Faith - Apostles Creed

The Peace of Christ

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Hymn: #645 "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above" (see download)

Benediction

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude: "Trumpet Voluntary" Gordon Young

The End of Worship  
The Beginning of Service

Rev. Robert W. Birch, Minister

Mrs. Dianne Yuninger, Organist/Choir Director

**PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:**

PRAYER PERSON THIS WEEK: **Virginia Stauffer**

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