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# Come, Worship the Lord, Our God

February 10, 2019

11:00am

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

## DRAWN INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

**Welcome and Greeting**

*(Please complete Prayer Concerns)*

### **Gathering Prayer:**

Itinerant God, who wanders onto our seashore and uses our boats to reach others, we have let down our nets all week and drawn them up empty. We come the dawn of this day weary of even trying. Make miracles in our lives in this hour of worship, that we may hear your call to be fishers of all humanity. **Amen.**

### **Prelude:**

### **Call to Worship:**

In the sanctuary, God, the Holy One, whose glory fills the whole earth, calls us.

**Beside the sea, along ordinary paths, in our daily work, God calls us.**

We respond with our whole heart, singing God's praise and giving thanks.

**In steadfast love, God fulfills the divine purposes for our lives.**

**\*Opening Song of Praise:** "Holy, Holy, Holy"  
(Prayer Concerns Collected)

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## **AWARE OF GOD'S PRESENCE**

### **\*Call to Confession**

The subtlest of all sins are the sins of human speech. Let us confess them now.

**\*Prayer of Confession** (*Stephen M. Fearing*)

**Unison**

**Holy and Gracious God, it is far easier to judge the sin of someone else than it is for us to accept the sin that belongs to us. Forgive us for the times when we've been judgmental. Forgive us for the times when we've been self-righteous. Forgive us for the times when we've fallen short of the mercy you show us. Heal us. Repair us. Renew us. This we pray in your merciful name. Amen.**

**\*Time of Silent Confession**

**\*Declaration of Forgiveness****Unison****God removes our guilt and heals the burn of its damage in our lives.****Alleluia! Amen.****Gloria:** "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!"

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**Our Faithful Response:** "Will You Come and Follow Me (The Summons)" #726**Time With Young Disciples****We Commission the Broad St. Ministry Travelers:**

Jeremy Bearfield, Shelby Bearfield, Ryan Yurek, Kaitlyn Burns

Jessica Schurr, William Welch

**LISTENING IN GOD'S PRESENCE****Prayer for Illumination****Scripture Lessons:****Isaiah 6:1-13**

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

<sup>4</sup>The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

<sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup>The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." <sup>8</sup>Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!" <sup>9</sup>And he said, "Go and say to this people:

'Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand.'  
<sup>10</sup>Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds, and turn and be healed." <sup>11</sup>Then I said, "How long, O Lord?" And he said: "Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is utterly desolate; <sup>12</sup>until the LORD sends everyone far away, and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land. <sup>13</sup>Even if a tenth part remain in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak whose stump remains standing when it is felled." The holy seed is its stump.

### **Luke 5:1-11**

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, <sup>2</sup>he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. <sup>3</sup>He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. <sup>4</sup>When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." <sup>5</sup>Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." <sup>6</sup>When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. <sup>7</sup>So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. <sup>8</sup>But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" <sup>9</sup>For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; <sup>10</sup>and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." <sup>11</sup>When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

**Sermon:** "Schooled by a Carpenter"

**The Rev. Leslie Latham**

### **RESPONDING IN GOD'S PRESENCE**

**\*Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed**

**Unison**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he**

**shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Hymn of Response:** "You Walk along Our Shoreline"

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**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**Invitation to the Offering:**

We are invited to cast our nets into God's abundance, and to share what we have received with others. As we give our tithes and offerings today, we put our trust in the one who has called us to follow him: Jesus Christ, the great Fisher of people.

**Offertory:**

**\*Praising God's Goodness - Doxology**

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**\*Prayer of Dedication:**

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**Holy One, we give you thanks for your generosity to us. Bless these gifts and multiply them, for the sake of those in need around us; in Jesus' name. Amen.**

**ABIDING IN GOD'S PRESENCE IN THE WORLD**

**\*Hymn of Sending:** "Here I Am, Lord"

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**\*Benediction:**

**\*Postlude:**

\* Those who are able, please stand

**WORSHIP AIDS:**

**Large Print Bulletins, Hymnals & Hearing Devices – available from ushers.**

**Children's Sanctuary - at the rear of the church**

**Baby Changing Tables - in both rest rooms of Church School Building.**  
**Deacon's Prayer Chain - To activate Prayer Chain call Judy in the church office @ 692-1319.**

**New Prayer Concerns or Joys**

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**Prayer Concerns or Joys Last Week:**

**Continuing Prayers:** Scott Greenawalt, Tim, Pat & Bob Erisman, Alvin Marohn, Kris Yettra, Ruth Gebera, Judy Geerkin, Paul Card, refugees at the Mexican Border, Nadia, and Joey.

**Prayers and caring for our homebound:** Marge Klinger; Georgia Anson; Fay Tag; Doris Carlson; J. Robert Weber; Ruth Weber; Richard Weber; Alice Weber; Bob Palfi; Lillian Simon; Joy Welch; Wilma Bender; Margaret McBride; and Sue Strasser

*Because God's love is for all - everyone is always welcome.  
 We pray that God may bless you with peace, inspiration, and strength. We are a community, seeking to learn what it means to follow Jesus. No matter what you may be going through, no matter where you may be on your faith journey – you are most welcome here! If you would like more information, please call Judy in the church office @ 692-1319*

**LITURGIST:** Diane Charsley

**GREETERS:** John Faux

**USHERS:** Team 1

**STEPHEN MINISTERS:** are always available to provide confidential support in times of need. Simply call Janet Haacker @ 694-4290.

**REMINDER:** Please call Pastor Leslie @ 490-0420 or Judy in the office @ 692-1319 if you or a loved one are ill, hospitalized or in need of a visit.

**Bible Study Class:** There has been a change in the date of the next Bible Study Class. The class will meet on **February 17 at 12:15pm** instead of on February 24. Any questions, see Nancy Bassett.

**Hunger Sunday: Sunday, February 17** - Don't forget that the third Sunday of the Month is Hunger Sunday. Food and cash donations are welcome and proceeds are donated to the Twin Cities Community Outreach. Drop off box is in the Narthex. Thank you for your support!

**Memory Lane:** The next Memory Lane will meet on February 19. There are many opportunities for you to help in volunteering and no monthly commitment. Monetary donations are greatly appreciated. If you know someone that may benefit from this program, please contact one of the Respite Committee members.

**Service of Blessing and Healing:** Wednesday, February 20 @ 6:30pm at First Presbyterian Church 149 Broad Street, Tonawanda, will hold an evening service devoted to healing and wholeness and will be led by Elder Laura Marohn. This is a "come as you are" service, open and welcoming to all who seek wholeness for their lives, Presbyterian or otherwise. Please join us in the sanctuary.

**Basket Raffle and Chili Sale:** Saturday, February 23 from 12pm-3pm. Mission and Outreach Committee is asking for donations of baskets that can be raffled that day with proceeds to benefit the mission trip to Puerto Rico. In order to make this event a success, it is important that we receive a number of baskets to raffle. Won't you consider donating a basket or two? Tell your family and friends about this event, it is open to the public. Betsy Crocker can be contacted for further information. Please help make this event a success.

**Distinguished Speaker Series: Wednesday, February 27 at 7pm in the parlor.** Mission and Outreach Committee has invited Pat Loeswick to speak. She is a former Social Studies Teacher in Tonawanda and has presented various, interesting talks to the community. This talk will feature an interesting story about President McKinley. This is a free event and open to the public; so tell your family and friends.

**Annual Congregational Meeting:** We will hold our Annual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, March 10 right after worship. Please plan on staying after church for this important meeting. Any questions, please contact Tom Dugan.

**Deacons Tonawanda School Project:** The Deacons are teamed up with the Tonawanda Elementary Schools to provide much needed clothing to needy children. Either a monetary donation or clothing donation is acceptable. There is a tote in the Narthex where you can drop off donations. This mission is on-going and benefits the children in Tonawanda. See Jane Crossan or Leslie Dugan with any questions.

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<b>10</b> Sunday School 9:30a Worship 11a	<b>11</b> AA 9a  TOPS 6:30p  CE Mtg 6p Session 7p	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> AA 9a Yoga 6:30p Hardcore 30 Fitness 6:30p  H4W 6:30p Choir 7:30p	<b>15</b> UFO 7p	<b>16</b> Youth Group Mission Trip to Philadelphia
<b>17</b> Sunday School 9:30a Worship 11a  Hunger Sunday  Bible Study 12:15p	<b>18</b> AA 9a  TOPS 6:30p  Office Closed	<b>19</b> Memory Lane 10:30a-2:30p	<b>20</b> Healing Service 6:30p	<b>21</b> AA 9a Yoga 6:30p Hardcore 30 Fitness 6:30p  H4W 6:30p Choir 7:30p	<b>22</b> UFO 7p	<b>23</b> Basket Raffle & Chili Sale 12p-3p
<b>24</b> Sunday School 9:30a Worship 11a	<b>25</b> AA 9a  TOPS 6:30p	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Distinguished Speakers Series: 7p Pat Loeswick	<b>28</b> AA 9a Yoga 6:30p Hardcore 30 Fitness 6:30p  H4W 6:30p Choir 7:30p		

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<b>3</b> Sunday School 9:30a  Worship/Communion 11a	<b>4</b> AA 9a  TOPS 6:30p	<b>5</b> Deacons 1p	<b>6</b> Ash Wednesday  Potluck Dinner 6p Worship Service 7:15p	<b>7</b> AA 9a Yoga 6:30p Hardcore 30 Fitness 6:30p  Worship 6p H4W 6:30p Choir 7:30p	<b>8</b> UFO 7p	<b>9</b>
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