



**Reach One More For Jesus!**  
5th Sunday after the Epiphany  
February 7, 2021

**PRELUDE** "As We Gather at Your Table" Thelma Downey

**CENTERING WORDS**

*May there be within this day quiet moments, when I can rest in Your presence, sit for a while at Your feet, be still, and simply listen.*

**WELCOME** Marilyn Casey

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Marilyn Casey

L: O God, we come into Your house with praise and thanksgiving!

**P: We come in celebration and song.**

L: We come in gratitude of Your inheritance.

**P: We come as those Who have received blessing upon blessing.**

L: We hear the cry of the poor in the land, and ache to offer them relief.

**P: We come to bring them blessing upon blessing, in Jesus' Name. Amen**

**OPENING HYMN** "My Hope Is Built" vs. 1 & 3 Hymnal Page #368

1. My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness. I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' Name.

**Refrain:** On Christ the solid rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand.

3. His oath, His covenant, His blood supports me in the whelming flood. When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay. **(Refrain)**

**OPENING PRAYER**

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**Gracious God, Your people are suffering. Where there is woundedness, help us bring healing. Where there is discouragement, help us bring support and comfort. Where there is dismay and mourning, help us bring the power of new life and new opportunities. Heal us, O God, for You are our help and our hope, the One we turn to in times of trouble. In the Name of our Great Physician, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.**

**READINGS**

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Luke 16:19-31

<sup>19</sup> "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. <sup>20</sup> And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, <sup>21</sup> who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. <sup>22</sup> The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. <sup>23</sup> In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. <sup>24</sup> He called out, "Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames." <sup>25</sup> But Abraham said, "Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. <sup>26</sup> Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us." <sup>27</sup> He said, "Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house— <sup>28</sup> for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment." <sup>29</sup> Abraham replied, "They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them." <sup>30</sup> He said,

"No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' <sup>31</sup> He said to him, "If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.' "

One: The Word of God for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**MESSAGE "IT'S NOW OR NEVER!"**

Pastor Tom

**1. ONCE IT'S DONE, IT'S DONE!**

**2. HOW I USE MY RESOURCE WILL DECIDE MY FUTURE**

**3. PRACTICE COMPASSION WHILE I AM STILL ALIVE**

**4. JUDGEMENT CAN BE AVOIDED IF A PERSON LISTENS TO GOD'S WORD AND REPENTS**

**PRAYERS OF THE PASTOR AND PEOPLE**

Pastor Tom

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Pastor Tom

**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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**COMMUNION HYMN "Let Us Break Bread Together"**

Hymnal #618

Let us break bread together on our knees, (on our knees)

Let us break bread together on our knees. (on our knees)

When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,

O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me)

**SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Pastor Tom

**GIVING BACK TO GOD (TITHES AND GIFTS)**

Pastor Tom

**DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"**

Hymnal #95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

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**God, You have created the universe. Everything we see has come into being because of You. Your glory is beyond our comprehension. Yet, you give us the most precious gift imaginable: Your everlasting love and faithfulness. With great joy we now offer our own gifts—puny in comparison, but given with grateful hearts that belong to You, now and always. We are thankful for the opportunity to put these gifts to work proclaiming Your gospel of love. Amen.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**CLOSING HYMN "More Love to Thee, O Christ" vs. 1 & 2**

Hymnal Page #453

**1. More love to Thee, O Christ, more love to Thee! Hear Thou the prayer I make on bended knee. This is my earnest plea: More love, O Christ, to Thee; more love to Thee, more love to Thee!**

**2. Once earthly joy I craved, sought peace and rest; now thee alone I seek, give what is best. This all my prayer shall be: More love, O Christ, to Thee; more love to Thee, more love to Thee!**

**BENEDICTION**

Pastor Tom

**POSTLUDE**

"Christ Beside Me"

Thelma Downey