

Banning United Methodist Church

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 9, 2025

GATHERING

SPECIAL MUSIC AND FELLOWSHIP

Cathy Mauge

WELCOMING FRIENDS AND NEWCOMERS

Kathy Bainter

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kathy Bainter

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor Doug

WORSHIP OF GOD

PRELUDE

Cathy Mauge

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Kathy Bainter

L: The voice of God is calling: "whom shall I send?"

P: We are here to answer God's call.

L: The voice of Christ is calling: "Who will be my faithful disciples?"

P: We are here to answer Christ's call.

L: The voice of the Holy Spirit is calling. Who will be a light to the nations?

P: We are here. Send us, we pray! Amen.

†OPENING HYMN

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

UMH #64

†OPENING PRAYER

Kathy Bainter

God, Your wisdom is endless, like the deep ocean, and beautiful like the sky. We often feel lost; please guide us from the chaos in our lives. Please help us to hear Your call and give us the strength to accept Your promise of salvation. Help us confront our fears and stay steady on our journey of faith. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Kathy Bainter

Isaiah 6:1-8 NRSV

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. 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. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke.

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!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. 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." 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!"

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Pastor Doug

Luke 5:1-11 NRSV

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. 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. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. 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. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; 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." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"The Heart of Worship!"

Pastor Doug

PRAYERS

Pastor Doug

CHILDREN IN PRAYER (After each slide: In Your mercy, Lord, hear our prayer)

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.**

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Kathy Bainter

OFFERTORY

Cathy Mauge

†**DOXOLOGY**

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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**

Kathy Bainter

Holy One, we come together with love and joy to praise You. As we offer our gifts today, bless us and what we bring. Please help us share Your presence where it is needed most in the world. In Your Holy Name, we pray. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

†**CLOSING HYMN**

"Whom Shall I Send?"

vs 1, 3 & 4

UMH #582

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

†**BENEDICTION**

Pastor Doug

Do not fear the turbulent waters of faith.

Christ is with us in the boat.

Do not avoid the dangers of the deep.

God is with us on the journey.

Do not doubt your ability to reach the lost.

The Spirit blesses us with a bountiful catch. Amen.

CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST OUT INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE

Cathy Mauge