



6th Sunday of Epiphany  
February 16, 2025



## University Presbyterian Church

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*Whether you are worshiping in the sanctuary or online, at any time in the course of the service, you are invited to light a candle signifying a concern, a desire for healing, a confession, or a prayer of thanksgiving that, though private, you would like to remember in the midst of our worship.*

*Please speak aloud the bold portions of the liturgy in the bulletin.  
The asterisk \* is an invitation for worshipers to rise in body or spirit as able.*

GATHERING TOGETHER

PRELUDE

*Deep River*  
*arr. Terry Osman*  
*Lorenz, 2006*

WELCOME

**Mamie Broadhurst**

INTROIT

*Arise, Shine!*  
*John Carter*  
*Beckenhorst Press, 1978*

*Arise, shine; for your light has come,  
and the glory of the Lord has arisen upon you!  
For behold, darkness shall cover the earth  
and gross darkness the peoples;  
but the Lord will arise upon you  
and His glory will be upon you.  
And nations shall come to your light  
and kings to the brightness of your rising*

CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsive*)

**Pre-K-5th Graders**

**Lighting the Candle**

**Word for Worship: Good News**

HYMN No. 744

***Arise, Your Light Is Come!***

CALL TO CONFESSION

**Peggy Carroll**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

**God of steadfast love, we confess  
that we do not live according to your way.  
You bless those who are poor,  
but we desire earthly treasure.  
You bless those who are hungry,  
but we enjoy rich feasts.  
You bless those who are weeping,  
but we mock your suffering servants.  
You bless those who are hated,  
but we seek approval and praise.**

A TIME OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION

**Forgive us, God of grace.  
Teach us to seek your blessing  
and be a blessing for others;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (*responsive*)

Receive the blessing of the living God,  
whose steadfast love is everlasting.  
Receive the good news:  
In the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven.  
**Thanks be to God.**

\*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

*Sung through one time*

**You are the Lord, giver of mercy.  
You are the Christ, giver of mercy.  
You are the Lord, giver of mercy.**

WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 7:18-35

SERMON

David Gambrell

WE RESPOND WITH DEDICATION

\*HYMN No. 751

***From the Nets of Our Labor***

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Mother and Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,**

**on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.**

**Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.**

**For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

OFFERING of GIFTS

*Reflect on your response to the work of Christ in the world today, and  
consider making a commitment of time, talents, and resources.*

*If you choose to contribute to the work of Christ through UPC at this time,  
on-line giving is available. See the announcements for more information.*

INVITATION

ANTHEM

***We Have Seen the God of Glory***

*Text by David Gambrell*

*GIA Publications, 2015*

*We have seen the God of glory,*

*In the face of Jesus Christ:*

*Wholly human, truly holy,*

*Source and summit of our life.*

*God who summoned light from darkness,*

*Shining in our hearts today,*

*We will praise your name forever.*

*We have heard the voice of wisdom*

*In the Word of God made flesh,*

*Calling for the new creation,*

*Singing with the Spirit's breath.*

*We will share the gospel story,*

*We will bear the light of Christ,*

*Bringing good news to the nations,*

*Lifting up the bread of life.*

\*DOXOLOGY

*Old Hundredth*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts;  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*responsive*)

**Generous God, we thank you  
for the abundance of your love—  
the many gifts of the Spirit,  
the humble service of our Lord,  
and all your mighty and merciful acts.  
Use our actions, services, and gifts  
for the sake of the common good,  
so that all may share in the Spirit  
and proclaim the good news to all:  
that Jesus Christ is Lord. Amen.**

\*HYMN No. 372

***O for a World***

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

\*CHARGE (*responsive*)

Now go and tell everyone  
what you have seen and heard:  
Jesus has come—  
healing the sick,  
welcoming the outcast,  
raising the dead,  
helping the poor,  
and bringing good news to all.  
**Thanks be to God.**

BENEDICTION (*responsive*)

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit  
be with you all. **Alleluia! Amen.**

God is...

**Everywhere.**

*Many thanks to Ignace Agbadan and Leslie Green  
for their work livestreaming the service this morning.*

***Rev. Dr. David Gambrell is a proud child of UPC, shaped by the worship and service of this congregation. He now serves as associate for worship in the denominational offices of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), where he helped to develop Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal (WJKP, 2013) and the latest edition of our Book of Common Worship (WJKP, 2018). David is author of Breathing Spirit into Dust: Fifty Hymn Texts (GIA, 2015) and Presbyterian Worship: Questions and Answers (WJKP, 2019).***



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