The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany &
The Sacrament of Holy Communion

A Member of the Presbyterian Church (USA)
And the Presbytery of New Hope

This is God’s House! All are Welcome!

~ We Gather Together as God’s People ~

THE ORGAN PRELUDE: “There Is a Redeemer” ........................................ arr. Mark Kellner
   Jason Evans, organist

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS ........................................ The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

THE HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 307: “God of Grace and God of Glory” .................. CWM RHONDDA

   God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power.
   Crown thine ancient church’s story, bring its bud to glorious flower.
   Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
   for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.

   Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!
   From the fears that long have bound us, free our hearts to faith and praise.
   Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
   for the living of these days, for the living of these days.

   Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore.
   Let the search for thy salvation be our glory evermore.
   Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
   serving thee whom we adore, serving thee whom we adore.

THE OPENING PRAYER................................................................................. Nonie Booth, liturgist
THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

THE ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS.................................................... The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

~ The Word of the Lord ~

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION ............................................................... Nonie Booth, liturgist

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON: Jonah 3: 1-10..................................................... Nonie Booth, liturgist

The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, ‘Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.’ So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days’ walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s walk. And he cried out, ‘Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!’ And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. When the news reached the king of Nineveh, he rose from his throne, removed his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. Then he had a proclamation made in Nineveh: ‘By the decree of the king and his nobles: No human being or animal, no herd or flock, shall taste anything. They shall not feed, nor shall they drink water. Human beings and animals shall be covered with sackcloth, and they shall cry mightily to God. All shall turn from their evil ways and from the violence that is in their hands. Who knows? God may relent and change his mind; he may turn from his fierce anger, so that we do not perish.’ When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

THE SPECIAL MUSIC: “Because of Who You Are”................................. Smiley / Farrell

Judith Speidel, soloist

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON: Jonah 4: 1-11..................................................... The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the Lord and said, ‘O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.’ And the Lord said, ‘Is it right for you to be angry?’ Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city. The Lord God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so, Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, ‘It is better for me to die than to live.’

But God said to Jonah, ‘Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?’ And he said, ‘Yes, angry enough to die.’ Then the Lord said, ‘You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?”

ONE: This is the Word of the Lord.
ALL: Thanks be to God.

THE SERMON: “Grace is Better than Fairness”................................. The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

THE PIANO MEDITATION: “Abide with Me”.............................................. arr. Mark Hayes

Jason Evans, pianist
~ The Sacrament of Holy Communion ~

THE INTRODUCTION

THE WORDS OF VIRTUAL INSTITUTION

THE COMMUNION PRAYER WITH 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, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD & THE SHARING OF THE CUP

THE PRAYER AFTER THE MEAL

THE CHARGE & BENEDICTION

THE CLOSING RESPONSE: ”May God’s Blessings” ........................................ Clifford Barrows

May God’s blessings surround you each day
as you trust Him and walk in His way.
May His presence within guard and keep you from sin.
Go in peace, go in joy, go in love. Go in peace, go in joy, go in love.


Jason Evans, organist

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~ Sanctuary Flowers ~

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary this morning to the glory of God.

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