

Opening Prayer

Unison O Lord, we thank you this morning
for the peace and comfort we find in this sanctuary.
Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us.
Make your light shine in our hearts
showing us the way of faith and discipleship
as followers of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

+ Hymn # 12 “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” St. Denio

Prayer of Illumination Billy Seckinger, Elder (8:30)
Johnny Harvey, Elder (10:30)

Unison Guide us, O God,
by your Word and Spirit,
that in your light we may see light,
in your truth find freedom,
and in your will discover your peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Reading 2 Kings 2:1-12 Pew Bible, page 290

Litany of Confession and Forgiveness

Elder And Jesus said, “The time is fulfilled,
and the kingdom of God has come near;
repent, and believe in the good news.”

Unison God of compassion,
in Jesus Christ you reveal the light of your glory,
but we turn away, distracted by our own plans.
We confess that we speak when we should listen,
and act when we should wait.

Forgive our aimless enthusiasms.
Grant us wisdom to live in your light
and to follow in the way of your beloved Son,
Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Elder This is the Good News of the Gospel –
God abounds in love and mercy, and hears our prayer.

People In Jesus Christ, God has come to us, waits for us,
and like the prodigal son and daughter, welcomes us home.

+ Response Gloria Patri Traditional 2nd Century

+ Lighting of the Peace Candle Ellie Seckinger, Liturgist (10:30)

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Leader O God, remove hate and prejudice from all your people
that as your children we may be reconciled –

People With those we fear, resent, or threaten;
and live together in your peace.

+ Hymn # 543 O Christ, Surround Me” Green Tyler

Walking behind to hem my journey,
going ahead to light my way,
and from beneath, above, and all ways:
O Christ, surround me. O Christ, surround me.

+ Sharing the Peace

Leader May the peace of Jesus Christ be with you.

People And also with you.

Second Reading 2 Corinthians 4:3-6 Pew Bible, page 939
+ Hymn # 193 “Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain” Unser Herrscher

The Gospel Mark 9:2-9 Pew Bible, page 820

Children’s Homily Aaron Miller, Storyteller
Hymn – seated “Jesus Loves Me” Children’s Church
*Pre K thru K – Trudi Peevey and Shirley Yoakum
1st and 2nd Grade – Karen Miller and Julie Murphy*

Sermon “Six Days Later” Steve Keeler, Pastor