

**BETHESDA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**10:30 a.m. Sunday 30 January 2022**

**Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany**

**ENTRANCE**

Announcements *(To help us connect, please sign  
the attendance pad in your pew)*

\*Greeting\*\*:  
God is our rock of refuge.

**God is the strong fortress who saves us.**  
God rescues us from evil.

**Let us praise God for ever!** *(Psalm 71)*

\*Praise Choruses: 2037 "I Sing Praises to Your Name"  
2046 "Womb of Life"

\*Opening Prayer\*\*:

Almighty God, who enlightens all the nations of the earth:

**We pray that you will set our hearts on fire  
with the brightness of your glory,  
that we may always acknowledge our Savior  
and proclaim our Lord;**

**Who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns,  
one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.**

*(Gregorian Sacramentary; Alt.)*

\*Opening Hymn: 2050 "Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth"

**PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

Prayer for Illumination: Page 646 "Canticle of Love" *(Response 1)*

First Lesson: Jeremiah 1:4-10

Psalter: 794 *(Verses 1 through 6 only)* Psalm 71:1-6

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Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

\*Hymn of Preparation: 408 "The Gift of Love"

\*Gospel Lesson: Luke 4:21-30

Sermon: **"Knowing"**

Affirmation of Faith: 887 AFFIRMATION FROM ROMANS  
8:35, 37-39

Joys, Concerns, Prayers

\*The Peace: Let us offer one another  
signs of reconciliation and love.  
The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

**THANKSGIVING**

Invitation: As forgiven and reconciled people,  
let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.

Offering/Offertory

\*Doxology: 95 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving^:

**Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift,  
teach us to render to you all that we have and all that we are,  
that we may praise you, not with our lips only,  
but with our whole lives,  
turning the duties, the sorrows, and the joys of all our days  
into a living sacrifice to you;  
through our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*(The Book of Worship 1965, Alt.)*

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\*The Lord's Prayer: 895

**SENDING FORTH**

\*Closing Hymn: 468 "Dear Jesus, in Whose Life I See"

\*Blessing^:

The Lord bless you and keep you;  
**the Lord make his face to shine upon you,  
and be gracious to you;  
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you,  
and give you peace. Amen.**

*(Numbers 6:24-26)*

\*Extinguishing of Candles/Postlude/Going Forth

\*Indicates the people standing, if able and willing

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