

BETHESDA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

10:30 a.m. Sunday 5 February 2023

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

ENTRANCE

Prelude and Lighting of Candles

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

*Greeting**:
Praise the Lord!
Happy are those who delight in God.
Let us be not afraid,
For we are secure in the Lord!
((Psalm 112)

*Praise Choruses: 2236 "Gather Us In"
2237 "As a Fire Is Meant for Burning"

*Opening Prayer: 456 "For Courage to Do Justice"

*Opening Hymn: 553 "And Are We Yet Alive"

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination: 477 "For Illumination"

First Lesson: Isaiah 58:1-12

Psalter: 833 Psalm 112:1-10

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 2:1-16

*Hymn of Preparation: 463 "Lord, Speak to Me"

*Gospel Lesson: Matthew 5:13-20

Sermon: "Good grief"

Affirmation of Faith: 882 "The Apostles' Creed,
Ecumenical Version"

Joys, Concerns, Prayers

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION (Page 12ff)

All are welcome

.SENDING FORTH

*Closing Hymn: 623 "Here, O My Lord, I See Thee"

*Closing Prayer: 125 "Canticle of Covenant Faithfulness"

Extinguishing of Candles and Postlude

*Going Forth

*Indicates the people standing, if able and willing

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