

**BETHESDA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**8:30 a.m. Sunday 12 February 2023**

**Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany**

**ENTRANCE**

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

Lighting of candles and prelude

Praise Choruses: 2133 "Give Me a Clean Heart"  
2169 "God, How Can We Forgive"

**PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

Prayer for illumination: 600 "Wonderful Words of Life"  
*(Verse 1 only)*

First lesson: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Psalter: 840 *(Response 3) (Verses 1-8 only)* Psalm 119:1-8

Second lesson: 1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Song: 389 "Freely, Freely"

Gospel lesson: Matthew 5:21-32

Sermon: *"The real thing"*

Joys, concerns, prayers

**THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION (Page 15ff)**

**All are welcome**

**SENDING FORTH**

Song: 560 "Help Us Accept Each Other"

Benediction: 892 Prayer of Confession

Postlude and extinguishing of candles/Going forth