Payette and Fruitland United Methodist Churches

February 7, 2021

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

## Prelude: *“What wondrous Love is This?”* arr. Larry Shackley

## Welcome

## Interlude: *“There is a Balm in Gilead”* African-American spiritual, arr. Philip Keveren

## *Welcoming the neighborhood to worship*

Call To Worship:

Calling Song *Thy Word Is a Lamp* UMH #601

*Refrain*

**Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.**

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**When I feel afraid, think I’ve lost my way,**

**still you’re there right beside me,**

**and nothing will I fear as long as you are near.**

**Please be near me to the end.**

*Refrain*

**Now I will not forget your love for me and yet   
my heart forever is wandering.**

**Jesus, be my guide and hold me to your side,**

**and I will love you to the end.**

*Refrain*

Responsive Reading from Psalm 147

Leader: Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody to our God.

People: **He covers the heavens with clouds, prepares rain for the earth, makes grass grow on the hills.**

Leader: Glorious and majestic are his deeds, and his righteousness endures forever.

People: **His pleasure is not in the strength of the horse, nor his delight in the power of human legs;**

All: **The Lord delights in those who fear him, who put their hope in his unfailing love.**

Unison Invocation

**Almighty God, we thank you for all those in whose words and writings your truth has come to us.**

**For those who wrote the Hebrew Bible;**

**For those who wrote the New Testament;**

**For the inspiration of the Holy Spirit;**

**For all whom in every generation have taught and explained and preached the word of Holy Scripture;**

**We thank you, O God.**

**Give us minds that can see at once the difference between the true and the false**

**So that nothing false may ever take us from the Way, the Truth, and the Life in whose name we pray.**

**Amen.**

Hymn *Guide My Feet* TFWS #2208

**Guide my feet**

***While I run this race.***

**Guide my feet**

***While I run this race.***

**Guide my feet**

***While I run this race***

**For I don’t want to run this race in vain.**

**Hold my hand...**

**I’m your child…**

**Stand by me…**

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 40:21-31

New Testament Reading 1Corinthians 9:16-23

*God’s Word for God’s people*

**Thanks be to God**

Prayers of the People

Message “Let’s Go” Mark 1:29-39

Commitment Hymn *Give Me Jesus*

**I heard my mother say, I heard my mother say,**

**I heard my mother say, “Give me Jesus.”**

*Refrain*

**Give me Jesus. Give me Jesus.**

**You may have all this world. Give me Jesus.**

**In the morning when I rise…**

**Oh, when I come to die…**

Benediction

**May the peace of the Lord Jesus go with you   
wherever he may send you.**

**May he guide you through the wilderness,**

**protect you through the storm.**

**May he bring you home rejoicing   
at the wonders he has shown you.**

**May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.**

## Postlude: “*What a Friend we have in Jesus”* by Charles Converse, arr. Glenda Austin

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