



*Seventh Sunday After The Epiphany*

**PRELUDE**

God Is Here! arr. M. Howell

**GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**

**CHORAL INTROIT**

Come and Find the Quiet Center BEACH SPRING

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

#82 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven. LAUDA ANIMA

**\*INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (based on Psalm 23, by B. M. Neel)

O Lord, you are our shepherd,  
and yet we still want.  
We lie down when we could act,  
we stir the pot when we could offer peace,  
we wander tempting paths instead of following you.  
We see courage and comfort in earthly things  
rather than in you.  
We hate our enemies  
and refuse to break bread with them,  
we see scarcity even when you offer us abundance.

We pray for forgiveness,  
for your goodness and mercy,  
so that we might dwell in You, in your grace, forever.  
Amen.

(Silence for personal confession and reflection)

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

R. Goodson

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and  
Ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

**FIRST READING**

Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40 Read from the NRSV Bible  
Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

**ANTHEM**

Unseen Blessings P. Martin / M. Hayes

**LITANY**

Leader: Lord God, you see and love people.  
You delight in abundantly providing the things we need.

**People: Lord God,  
we need your generosity and faithfulness.**

Leader: You've given us a voice,  
to encourage others or curse them.

**People: Lord God, we need your mercy and kindness.**

Leader: You've given us an able body,  
to build up communities or tear them down.

**People: Lord God, we need your justice and peace.**

Leader: You've given us a heart,  
which is capable of accepting others or rejecting them.

**People: Lord God,  
we need your patience and compassion.**

**All: Lord God, we need you all week long.**

**Work in us, work through us and work amongst us.  
May your goodness and unconditional love reign now  
and evermore. Amen.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

#421 Nothing Can Trouble (sing 3 times) Taizé

**CHILDREN'S BLESSING**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**\*HYMN OF MEDITATION**

#596 Help Us Accept Each Other BECK

**SECOND READING**

Luke 6:27-36 Read from the NRSV Bible  
Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

**SERMON**

Rev. Jeremy Keay

(Silence for personal reflection)

**CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**Offertory**

Prelude on BEACH SPRING arr. T. Shaw

**\*New Doxology**

Marco Adria

**Let's praise God for each good thing.**

**All creation, shout and sing!**

**Praise three Persons, yet one Love:**

**Maker, Saviour, Holy Dove! Amen.**

**\*Prayer of Gratitude**

**\*HYMN FOR THE JOURNEY**

#416 God! When Human Bonds Are Broken MERTON

**\*THE BLESSING OF THE COMMUNITY**

**Leader:** May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit  
be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

**\*Choral Benediction**

May God Who Creates You C. Dyck

**\*The Sending of the Community**

**\*Congregational Amen**

*The service of the church into the world - - begins again this week*

**POSTLUDE**

Prelude in D Major, BWV 936 J.S. Bach

**\*Please stand, as you are able**

We are grateful for those who serve with us today:  
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