

**January 30, 2022**  
**Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany**  
**Liturgists 8:30: Angela Marsee; 10:30: Faye Henson**

Prelude Sophia Lee

Welcome & Prayer Rev. Chuck Horton

Announcements Liturgist

\*Call to Worship Liturgist

Liturgist: Our ancestors gathered on a rough hill-side in Galilee, but Jesus showed up among them.

**People: Our great-great-grandparents gathered outdoors on the streets of England because John Wesley and those "wild Methodists" were banned from respectable church buildings, but your Spirit showed up among them.**

Liturgist: Our grandparents rode across the prairie in wagons and buggies, met in un-airconditioned churches, sat on hard pews, and yet you showed up among them.

**People: Forgive us, O Lord, of our idolatry. We think that our worship must be grander, more spectacular, with softer cushions, better sound and lights, better heat and air, tastier coffee, more whistles, more bells, etc., etc., but these are not what attracts your presence and your power.**

Liturgist: We could go on and on with our lists of what we think we must have to be the church we enjoy. But none of these are what attracts you to come among us.

**People: Jesus said, "Wherever even two or three of you are gathered in my name, I am there in your midst." So we gather today in your name, asking you to be present, to bless and redeem and make us whole. Amen.**

\*Hymn: "Come, Christians Join to Sing" UMH 158

(Please be Seated)

Unison Prayer of Confession: Liturgist

**Lord, your Gospel teaches us that we are to repent and believe the Good News of Jesus. To repent means I am to turn. To go now in your direction. To believe means I am to trust your teaching. To trust means I will base my life upon you.**

**I confess my day-to-day failures to repent and to believe. I confess my failure to be human in the way that Jesus taught. Far too often I am afraid to turn away from the familiar and to the unknown you offer me. I am afraid to turn my love**

**loose. I am afraid to turn my light on in the darkness. I am afraid when your still small voice gives me guidance. I fear to turn my faith into action. I tremble to use the gifts you have entrusted to me for the benefit of others.**

**Forgive me, Lord God. I now repent. Let me so live in the here and the now with Christlikeness, that when I leave the here and the now, I will go forth to live and love forever with him in the joy that shall never end. In Jesus' name and for his glory, I pray. Amen.**

Special Music                      “There Is a Balm in Gilead”                      arr. by Mark Hayes  
   Christopher Curtis, soloist

\*Responsive Reading: Psalm 46 Response #2                      UMH 780

\*Gloria Patri                      UMH 70

\*Scripture:                      James 5:13-18 RSV                      Rev. Chuck Horton

Sermon:                      Rev. Chuck Horton  
   *“Healing Prayer and Modern United Methodism”*

“Children, Children” song for call to Children’s Moments

*Children, Children, come and listen, come and hear of Jesus’ love.*

*Children, Children, come and hear of Him, come and hear of our Bible friend. Jesus, Jesus, come and bless us, come and bless us with Your love.*

Children’s Message                      Mason Carman

\*Hymn of Invitation                      “It’s Me, It’s Me, O Lord”                      (all three verses) UMH 352

Pastoral Prayer

\*Benediction

\*Parting Hymn                      “There’s Something About That Name”                      UMH 171

Postlude                      Sophia Lee



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