

Order of Worship for February 13, 2022 – 6th Sunday after Epiphany
For the transformation of the world, we make disciples. We study God's Word and offer praise
and worship as we strengthen each other for outreach beyond the church walls.

Theresa M. Heiser, Pastor Visit the charge site at PennsValleyParish.info
Listen to the message 24/7 at 814-422-6238. Visit PennsValleyParish.info for more details!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The next Coffee with the Pastor is Tuesday morning at 9 at IngleBean Café. Join the pastor for coffee or tea and casual conversation.
- A Lent Study based on the book *The Passion Play: Living the Story of Christ's Last Days* by Rob Fuquay will begin March 6th and meet for a total of 6 Wednesdays. In person study at 1pm at Trinity in Woodward and online study at 6:30pm are offered. Details are on the flyer in the back & charge website.

CENTERING WORDS How fickle is the journey of life! Blessings walk alongside curses. Hope intertwines with despair. Good is shadowed by wickedness.

SERVICE OF THE ACOLYTE

CALL TO WORSHIP By F. Willis Johnson

L: Poor or despairing, come to be blessed.

P: Hungry or tired, come to be restored.

L: Sorrowing or sighing, come to discover joy.

P: Bring your tired, your poor.

L: Share your hopes, your dreams.

P: Embrace your doubts, your fears.

L: Come as you are.

P: All are welcome.

OPENING PRAYER

God of blessings and woes, bless us with your presence this day. Reveal your way forward, and guide us in pathways of hope and grace. In your blessed name, we pray. AMEN.

OPENING HYMN Come, We That Love the Lord UMH #732

BLESSING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS – DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him all creatures here below. Praise him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE A Recipe for Happiness

JOYS AND CONCERNS - (The Lord's Prayer "trespass")

SELECTED SCRIPTURE Psalm 1 // Luke 6:17-26

MESSAGE Fullness and Emptiness

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

L: Deep in our souls, God has planted roots.

P: The roots of faith, hope and love exist in me.

L: Invite God to plant those roots so strongly within that we might be like trees planted by water.

P: With streams of blessing flowing in and through us to nourish others along the way.

CLOSING HYMN Victory in Jesus UMH #370

COMMISSION & BLESSING

Next week: "Unlimited Love" Jesus' unconditional love opens the boundaries of our love.

SELF STUDY: The First Fruits Read: [1 Corinthians 15:12-20](#).

- How do you understand the idea of "resurrection"? What are some common misunderstandings of resurrection? [That resurrection is the same as reincarnation; our souls escape the body at death; immortality of the soul; resurrection happened only to Jesus, etc.]
- Why do you think the concept of resurrection from the dead was controversial to Paul's audience? Why do you think it is debated even today?
- Paul's point in verse 19 suggests that Christ's resurrection gives hope for this life and the next. We often focus on the hope of eternal life. How does Christ's resurrection also give hope for the life we live here and now?
- How is our hope connected to Jesus' resurrection?
- Why do you think Paul is so insistent that our faith is futile (v. 17) without the resurrection of Christ?

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