

Order of Worship for February 20, 2022 – 7th 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.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Youth Pizza Study for grades 6-12 meets Sunday, Feb. 20th at 5-6:30pm at St. James UMC, Coburn. All youth are invited.
- Coffee with the pastor Wednesday, Feb. 23 at Earlstown Diner at 8:30am
- Maundy Thursday Service April 14th will be hosted at St. James UMC, Coburn at 7pm
- Our Easter Sunday services will be held April 17th at 6:30am at Trinity UMC, Woodward – 8:30am at St. James UMC, Coburn, 10:30am at Sprucetown UMC, Spring Mills.

CENTERING WORDS Love your enemies. Do good to those who hate you. Bless those who curse you. Pray for those who persecute you. Do this and you will truly be a follower of Christ.

SERVICE OF THE ACOLYTE

† CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Come and learn the ways of life.

P: We have come to follow Jesus.

L: Love your enemies and do good to those who hate you.

P: We have come to follow Jesus.

L: Bless those who curse you and pray for those who persecute you.

P: We have come to follow Jesus.

L: Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.

P: We have come to follow Jesus.

L: Come and learn the ways of life.

† OPENING PRAYER

Inexhaustible source of love and life, be with us in our time of worship as we seek the love it takes to walk in the ways of your Son. Help us love our enemies and bless those who wrong us, for we cannot do so on our own strength. Teach us the joy of treating others with all the same respect and goodness with which we hope to be treated. May our every word and deed make known that we are your beloved children and vessels of your love. Amen.

† OPENING HYMN Hymn of Promise UMH #707

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 The Golden Rule

JOYS AND CONCERNS - (The Lord’s Prayer “trespass”)

SELECTED SCRIPTURE Genesis 45:3-11, 15 // Luke 6:27-38

MESSAGE Unlimited Love

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

L: Be known as children of the Most High.

P: We will love our enemies, and do good to those who hate us.

L: Be known as disciples of Christ.

P: We will bless those who curse us, and pray for those who wrong us.

L: Be known as heirs of the Spirit.

P: We will be merciful, even as our God is merciful.

† CLOSING HYMN Freely, Freely UMH #389

COMMISSION & BLESSING

Next week’s Transfiguration Sunday message: “Listen to Him” Don’t box Jesus in; shine his light for all to see!

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