

Leader: Each one is given a gift by the Spirit,

People: To use it for the common good.

Leader: Together we are the body of Christ,

People: And individually members of Christ.

Leader: Though we have different gifts, together we are a ministry of reconciliation led by the risen Christ. . . In ordination and installation, we recognize these special ministries, remembering that our Lord Jesus said, *“Whoever among you wants to be great must become the servant of all, and if any want to be first among you, they must be the slave of all.”*

People: Just as the Son of Man came not to be served, but to serve, and to give his life to set others free.

Presentation of the Candidates Elder Lisa Adams

Constitutional Questions to the Candidates

Constitutional Questions to the Congregation Elder Lisa Adams

Installation Prayer

Unison Prayer

God of grace, who called us to a common ministry as ambassadors of Christ, trusting us with the message of reconciliation; give us courage and discipline to follow where your servants rightly lead us, so that together we may declare your wonderful deeds and show your love to the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Declaration of Installation

The Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer (*“...and forgive us our sins...”*)

Ritual of Friendship

The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory “Sarabande” J. S. Bach

* Doxology

* Prayer of Dedication

* Hymn No. 733 “We All Are One in Mission” *Es Flog Ein Kleins Waldvögelein*

* Charge and Benediction

Choral Dismissal “Let the Beauty of the Lord” Artman

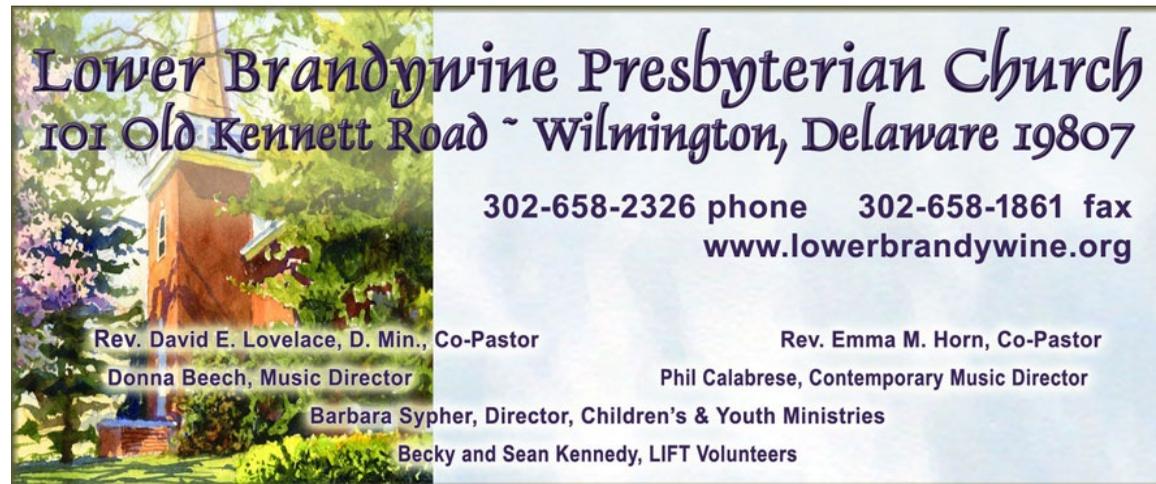
Postlude “Rondeau” Buononcini

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Worship Notes:

Worship Assistant: Elder Shirley Pritchard

Violinist: Marty Beech



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February 9, 2020

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

The Gathering of God’s People

Leader: Beloved, we are the light of the world.

Let our light shine before others.

**People: May they see our good works,
and give glory to our Father in heaven.**

Scripture Reading John 8:12 N.T. p. 88

Personal Prayer:

***Faithful God,
you have appointed us to be your witnesses,
to be light that shines in the world.
Let us not hide the bright hope you have given us,
but tell everyone your love,
revealed in Jesus Christ the Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever.
Amen.***

5th Sunday after Epiphany

February 9, 2020

10:30 AM

** Please stand in body or in spirit*

WE APPROACH GOD

Prelude “Andante cantabile” *Tartini*

Introit “The Lord Is Here!” *Artman*

* Call To Worship *(Please stand and join responsively)*

Leader: We delight to draw near to you, gracious God. We rejoice in the many gifts you have given us.

People: We lift up our hearts and voices in praise. We humble ourselves before the God of all worlds.

Leader: We gather to remember God’s commandments. We seek for ourselves the wisdom God imparts.

People: The wisdom of God is not like any other. It draws us away from the world’s agenda.

Leader: God sends us into the world with new priorities. We are grounded in the Spirit that we might be discerning.

People: We are filled with the mind of Christ. We are already citizens of God’s realm.

* Sharing the Peace of Christ (“May the peace of Christ be with you....”)

* Prayer of Invocation

* Hymn No. 366 “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” *Hyfrydol*

Prayer of Confession *(The congregation uniting)*

O God, you call out to us, saying, “Here I am,” but we do not listen. You pour out on us spiritual gifts, but we do not discern them. You call us to build a more just society, but we cling to our advantages.

Forgive us, we pray, and help us to change. Help us so to know and understand Jesus Christ, that we might reflect the God of glory in our daily living. Create in us a generosity that reflects your own. Pour out your Spirit on this congregation, that we might gain understanding, and – then – use it to build, and repair, and restore.

Silent Prayer of Confession *(Please take time to be personal and specific. . .)*

Words of Assurance

Choral Response “We Bring Our Hearts to Thee” *Artman*

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Responsive Reading Psalm 112

Praise the LORD! Happy are those who fear the LORD, who greatly delight in his commandments.

Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed. Wealth and riches are in their houses, and their righteousness endures for ever.

They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright; they are gracious, merciful, and righteous. It is well with those who deal generously and lend, who conduct their affairs with justice.

For the righteous will never be moved; they will be remembered for ever. They are not afraid of evil tidings; their hearts are firm, secure in the LORD.

Their hearts are steady, they will not be afraid; in the end they will look in triumph on their foes. They have distributed freely, they have given to the poor; their righteousness endures for ever; their horn is exalted in honor.

The wicked see it and are angry; they gnash their teeth and melt away; the desire of the wicked comes to nothing.

Scripture Readings Isaiah 58:1-12 O.T., pg. 647
Matthew 5:13-20 N.T., pg. 4

Anthem “The Gift of Love” *Hopson*

Parable Time

Sermon “Living in the Light: Here’s How!” (Part I) Pastor Lovelace

WE RESPOND TO GOD

* Affirmation of Faith The Apostles’ Creed (Traditional) Hymnal, pg. 35

* Hymn No. 581 “Glory Be to the Father” *Gloria Patri*

* Hymn No. 432 “How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord” *Repton*

Installation of Officers

Opening Sentences *(Please join responsively)*

Leader: There are different gifts,

People: But it is the same Spirit who gives them.

Leader: There are different ways of serving God.

People: But it is the same Lord who is served.

Leader: God works through different people in different ways.

People: But it is the same God whose will is brought about through them all.