

THE BLESSING OF THE BREAD AND CUP
THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

As you come forward using the center aisle to receive the gifts from God, please place your gifts to God in the offering plate and then receive first the bread and then dip it into the cup to receive communion. If you are unable to come forward, please stay in the pew and we will come to you.)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEICATION

*HYMN OF DEDICATION ~ #370 "Just As I Am, Without One Plea"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ~ Sanctuary

(Those who are able, join hands, forming lines across the aisle to symbolize a growing commitment to unity.)

**Lord prepare me, to be a sanctuary
Pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living,
Sanctuary for you.**

Next Week ~ Third Sunday in Ordinary Time; The Geneva Choir will sing

Texts: Isaiah 9: 1-4; Psalm 27: 1, 4-9; 1 Corinthians 1: 10-18; Matthew 4: 12-23



WELCOME VISITORS!

We are delighted to have you in our service this morning! Every Sunday, we are privileged to have people attending our church for the first time and we want you to feel welcome among us. **Please stop by the Welcome Center right after service. We have a special gift for you.**

PLEASE SIGN THE FELLOWSHIP BOOK found in the pews. We would like to know of your presence this morning. **PLEASE SHARE PRAYER JOYS/CONCERNS** on the Prayer card; they will be included in the Prayers of the People during the service, and then added to the Prayer Chain.

A PERSONAL SOUND SYSTEM FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED IS AVAILABLE. WORSHIP BULLETINS FOR CHILDREN are available. Contact an usher for assistance.

TAPES OF THIS SUNDAY'S SERMON are available. Contact the church office or Art Sattler.

If you are in need of **Pastoral Care** or know someone who is, please call Rev. Pat at the church (419-475-4436) or at her home (419-534-3739).

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John 1:29



10:00 AM

Welcome to worship with the Fairgreen family! The * symbol means, "All who are able, please stand." † indicates when latecomers may be seated.



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

SILENT REFLECTION Sarum Primer (c.1514)
God be in my head, and in my understanding;
God by in my eyes, and in my looking;
God be in my mouth, and in my speaking;
God be in my heart, and in my thinking;
God by in my end, and in my departing.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Please sign fellowship book found in pews.
This is the day that the Lord has made!
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

GATHERING MUSIC ~ #2032 "My Life Is In You, Lord; #2088 "Lord, I Lift Your Name On High
PRAYER OF PRAISE AND CONFESSION Rev. Pat

HYMN OF RESPONSE ~ #2068 " I Love You, Lord"

THE WORD OF GOD

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH Rev. Pat

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION
Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be created, and You shall renew the face of the earth. O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise, and ever enjoy Your consolations. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

FIRST READING **Isaiah 49: 1-7** pg.1138 (OT) in the pew bible

ANTHEM **"Into the Light"** Praise Band

GOSPEL READING **John 1: 29-42** pg.1647(NT) in the pew bible
SERMON **"Given as Light"** Rev. Pat Lawrence Shafer

OUR RESPONSE

*HYMN OF RESPONSE ~ #2165 "Cry of My Heart"

THE GIVING AND RECEIVING OF GIFTS
THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION
THE INVITATION
When Jesus sat at the table and enjoyed communion with the tax collectors and sinners he proclaimed that God's care knows no bounds. We proclaim again the comfort and challenge of that witness: all are invited now to share God's table, and be nourished by the Bread of life.

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING
You, Lord God, created the waters and the dry land. Your Spirit gave breath to Earth's people. You planted justice on the Earth and sent the Messiah as a light to all people.
The Holy One will give us strength. God will bless us with peace.
We come to Baptism for repentance, to turn from evil and oppression. Jesus of Nazareth came to be baptized to fulfill the Word, and you, O God, anointed him with your Holy Spirit and with power.
The Holy One will give us strength. God will bless us with peace.
As the Spirit descended like a dove, you, who are God, claimed Jesus as your beloved son and anointed him with favor. Come, Spirit, to this table, claim us as your children. Come, as you have come, to the table of your people throughout history, as we have made thanksgiving to you.
The Holy One will give us strength. God will bless us with peace.

Pour out your favor upon us and on these elements, that we and the whole world may know your son and come to your glory. Planter of Justice, Beloved Son, Spirit of Peace, Holy One, we are yours. Amen.