

Sixth Sunday of Epiphany

Sunday, February 8, 2026

“Growing into the Light”

The Life and the Work of the Church

Introit **Bathe Me in Your Light** (More Voices 82)

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Bathe me in your light, O God of All, Creator;
let it shine upon my soul with healing and with grace.
Guide me on the pilgrimage
that leads to truth and wholeness,
fill me with your promise of a love that knows no end.

Centring Music Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring

Johann Sebastian Bach

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Hymn **Called by Earth and Sky** (More Voices 135)

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Refrain Called by earth and sky,
promise of hope held high.
This is our sacred living trust,
treasure of life sanctified,
called by earth and sky.

1 Precious these waters,
endless seas,
deep ocean’s dream,
waters of healing,
rivers of rain,
the wash of love again.

Refrain

2 Precious this gift,
the air we breathe;
wind born and free.
Breath of the Spirit,
blow through this place,
our gathering and our grace.

Refrain

3 Precious these mountains,
ancient sands;
vast fragile land.
Seeds of our wakening,
rooted and strong,
Creation’s faithful song.

Refrain

4 Precious the fire
that lights our way,
bright dawning day.
Fire of passion,
sorrows undone,
our faith and justice one.

Refrain

Morning Prayer

A Time to Wonder

Anthem Carry the Light

Joyce Elaine Eilers

Scripture Reading Matthew 5:13-20

Choral Response **Ancient Words**

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Ancient words ever true
Changing me changing you
We have come with open hearts
O let the ancient words impart

Reflection Rev. Hilde J. Seal

Hymn of the Day **Though Ancient Walls**

(Voices United 691, vs. 1, 2 & 5)

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1 Though ancient walls may still stand proud
and racial strife be fact,
though boundaries may be lines of hate,
proclaim God's saving act!

Refrain Walls that divide are broken down;
Christ is our unity!
Chains that enslave are thrown aside;
Christ is our liberty!

2 When vested power stands firm entrenched
and breaks another's back,
when waste and want live side by side,
it's Gospel that we lack. *Refrain*

5 This broken world seeks lasting health
and vital unity.
God's people by God's Word renewed,
cast off all slavery! *Refrain*

Invitation to Offering

Offering Music Be Still My Soul

by Jean Sibelius, arr. Mark Looney

Offering Response **What Can I Do? (More Voices 191)**

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What can I do?
What can I bring?
What can I say?
What can I sing?
I'll sing with joy.
I'll say a prayer.
I'll bring my love.
I'll do my share. *Repeat*

Offering Prayer

**Holy One, take and use these gifts given with Love.
We are your people... your hands and your heart.
Continue to strengthen us that we might be a blessing to
others. Amen.**

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayers

The Lord's Prayer (sung)

Adapted from Matthew 6: 9-13 Words & Music Glenn Parsons

Our God, who is in Heaven
Holy is Your name.
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done
on earth as it is in Heav'n.
Give us this day our daily bread,
forgive the ways that we turn from You
and help us to forgive.
Lead us not to things that tempt us,
save us from all evil,
for Yours is the kingdom
the pow'r and the glory
for ever and ever. Amen.

Parting Hymn **Like a Healing Stream** (More Voices 144)

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- 1 Like a healing stream in a barren desert,
Spirit water bringing life to dusty earth,
God is tricking through our lives
as in a dream unfolding,
promising revival and rebirth
like a healing stream.
- 2 Like a gentle rain on a thirsty garden,
Spirit water come to nourish tiny seed,
God is bubbling through the soil
to coax a new creation,
yearning for an end to want and need
like a gentle rain.

3 Like a river strong with a restless current,
Spirit water rushing on to distant shore,
God is carving out a channel
in a new direction,
calling for an end to hate and war
like a river strong.

4 Like a mighty sea reaching far horizons,
Spirit water with a love both deep and wide,
God is working in our hearts
to shape a new tomorrow:
God will always challenge and provide!
Like a mighty sea,
like a river strong,
like a gentle rain,
like a healing stream.

Benediction

Postlude Carillon Toccata

Douglas E. Wagner

Guest Worship Leader – Rev. Hilde J. Seal
Music Leadership – Sharon Prindle-Collins and the CBUC Choir
Centring Music – Karen Shumka
The Life and Work of the Church – Stephen Godfrey
Lighting of the Christ Candle – The Spirit Kids
The Spirit Kids Program - Grace Cave and Moira Dennis
Morning Prayer – Kate Insley
Scripture Reader – Sharon Prindle-Collins
Greeters – Linda Snelling and Tony Rozario
Technical Support – Karen Clark and Melissa Nagy
Fellowship Time – 2nd Sunday Brew Crew