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# HICKORY RIDGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Worship Bulletin  
February 6, 2022

**Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany  
February 6, 2022**

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>1</sup>

Leader: As followers of Jesus Christ,  
living in this world-  
which some seek to control,  
but which others view with despair-  
we declare with joy and trust:

**People: Our world belongs to God!**

Leader: From the beginning,  
through all the crises of our times,  
until his kingdom fully comes,

**People: God keeps covenant forever.  
Our world belongs to him!**

Leader: God is King! Let the earth be glad!

**People: Christ is Victor; his rule has begun. Hallelujah!**

Leader: The Spirit is at work, renewing the creation.  
Praise the Lord!

**People: Come, Lord Jesus! Our world belongs to you.**

INVOCATION

HYMN      *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty*      UMH 64

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

OFFERATORY PRAYER & OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below:**

**Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise God, the source of all our gifts!**

**Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!**

**Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**



- 14 The teaching of the wise is a fountain of life,  
so that one may avoid the snares of death.
- 15 Good sense wins favor,  
but the way of the faithless is their ruin.<sup>[c]</sup>
- 16 The clever do all things intelligently,  
but the fool displays folly.
- 17 A bad messenger brings trouble,  
but a faithful envoy, healing.
- 18 Poverty and disgrace are for the one who ignores  
instruction,  
but one who heeds reproof is honored.
- 19 A desire realized is sweet to the soul,  
but to turn away from evil is an abomination to fools.
- 20 Whoever walks with the wise becomes wise,  
but the companion of fools suffers harm.
- 21 Misfortune pursues sinners,  
but prosperity rewards the righteous.
- 22 The good leave an inheritance to their children's children,  
but the sinner's wealth is laid up for the righteous.
- 23 The field of the poor may yield much food,  
but it is swept away through injustice.
- 24 Those who spare the rod hate their children,  
but those who love them are diligent to discipline them.
- 25 The righteous have enough to satisfy their appetite,  
but the belly of the wicked is empty.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION<sup>2</sup>

God, source of all light, by your Word you give light to the soul. Pour out upon us the spirit of wisdom and understanding that, being taught by you in Holy Scripture, our hearts and minds may be opened to know the things that pertain to life and holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.



## Holy Bible

SCRIPTURE FOR MESSAGE

Isaiah 6:1-13

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup> Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup> And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory.”

<sup>4</sup> The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup> And I said: “Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”

<sup>6</sup> Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup> The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” <sup>8</sup> Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!” <sup>9</sup> And he said, “Go and say to this people:



## PRAYER REQUESTS

All Military Personnel and All First Responders

Janet Bottoms

Friend to Margie Gordy

Michelle Barker

Friend to Dianne Raynor

Louise Coley

Wait Frye

Cousin to Pat Bennett

Mr. Grantham

Friend to Sara Overton

Betsey Harper

Cousin to Becky Montgomery

Chuck Hrestak

Cousin to Joe Bennett

Rick Lane

Husband of Janice Lane

Scott Lane

Son of Janice Lane

Janice Lane

May need surgery

Wanda Lingle

Cancer Treatments

Alan Martin

Friend of Harold Kincaid

Johnny Ogburn

Brother to Sara Overton

Naomi Robertson

Cousin to Lawson Family

Richard Thomas

Cousin to Lawson Family

Debbie Weeden

Daughter-in-law to Becky Weeden

Christian Willard and Family

Nancy Wimpish

Cousins to Lawson Family

Mark Winfree

Friend to Keith White

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **2022 Planning Session** will be Tuesday, February 8, from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

The United Methodist Women meet Friday, February 11 at 3 pm. The program leader is Wanda Lingle. Everyone is asked to bring finger foods to share.

1. Calvin Institute of Christian Worship,  
<https://worship.calvin.edu/resources/resource-library/it-takes-grace-1-corinthians-15>.
2. <https://prayerist.com/prayer/illuminationumc.html>.

## WELCOME FROM HICKORY RIDGE

We've been waiting for you! We believe that every person who comes into this special fellowship is sent by God, himself. Above all else, we want to express Christ's love for you with genuine, heartfelt warmth. We are eager to know you, and we are excited to share with you the marvelous ways God is working in our church and in our lives. It will not take long to discover that this is truly a family, rich in the relationships that matter most. Our hearts, our doors, and our minds are open. If you have been thinking, praying, searching for a place to belong, we say to you, "Welcome home!"

## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

At Hickory Ridge United Methodist Church, our purpose is to communicate God's Word through evangelism, to provide fellowship and community to believers, to educate God's people through discipleship, to demonstrate God's love through service, and to celebrate God's presence in worship.

## CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

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