

Murray Presbyterian Church

February 9, 2025 10am Worship Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

Welcome and Announcements

Greeting One Another Ringing of the Tower Bell

*Call to Worship

Leader: Blessed are the poor in spirit, the downtrodden and despairing,

People: They will rejoice in God's reign forever.

Leader: Blessed are those who mourn, who are grieving

People: They will be comforted in God's reign forever.

Leader: Blessed are the ones who seek justice and righteousness

People: They will find it in God's reign forever.

Leader: Blessed are we when we love our neighbors and seek their needs **People: We will live in God's reign forever.**

Leader: Blessed are we all when we seek to serve others in God's name.

People: Let us worship together, serving one another and serving our Mighty God. Amen.

--written by Rev. Mindi, and posted on **Rev-o-lution**.

(WC 712)

*Hymn: "The Kingdom of God is Justice and Joy"

Prayer of Confession: God of Grace, you call us to be different from the world, **but the world is seductive, and so we come here to be strengthened.** God of Vision, you hold before us an alternate way of life, **different priorities, different loyalties, different values.** But we know that the world is not only seductive but powerful, **and so we are drawn in to following its priorities, accepting its values, showing loyalty to its gods.** God who blesses the meek, the peacemakers, the merciful, **forgive us when we lose sight of these qualities, when we misunderstand their role in the world.** Silent Reflection

Assurance of Pardon Rejoice and be glad! God is gracious and God offers blessings. God calls us to life in the world, God offers us the chance to explore how to live out God's vision. We are called, we are forgiven, we are blessed. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

---posted by Rev Gord on his blog, Worship Offerings.

*Congregational Response: "Gloria Patri"

Scripture: Matthew 5:1-12

Sermon: "Generous Spirits Repaid" (Upside-Down Kingdom, pt.9)

*Hymn: "Help us Accept Each Other

(WC 437)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn: "O How Blest Are the Poor in Spirit"

(WC 603)

*Benediction and Benediction Response

*Please Stand if Able

WC: Worshiping Church Hymnal (found on seat) PH: Presbyterian Hymnal (found in pew rack)

Announcements

Souper Bowl Sale

The Deacons will be selling quart containers of "take and heat" chicken noodle soup or chili this Sunday. The cost is \$10 / quart. You can take your orders after morning worship or pick them up at the church building between 12 and 2 pm.

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