

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

***Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And, forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.***

**BREAKING THE BREAD**

**GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP**

*All are invited to come and kneel at the altar railing to receive the elements and to pray.*

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

**PRAYER**

***Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

**SENDING FORTH**

† **CLOSING HYMN**      *This Little Light of Mine*      On Screen

† **BENEDICTION**

† **POSTLUDE**

*Please remain standing as the Light goes out into the world.*

† *Please stand as you are able*

*Participating in today's service: Keith Lawson—Liturgist,  
Cindy Roberts—Choir Director, Jennifer Amos—Pianist,  
Keith Bullin—Organist,*

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***Prayer Concerns***

Ruth Childress, Wayne Hodges, Jeannette Overby, Toni Priddy,  
Audrey Stovall

***Birthdays***

February 5 - Joshua Manring, February 11 - Lisa Overby

**Church Calendar**

Tues., Feb. 7	9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.	Terrific Tuesdays Together
Wed., Feb. 8	6:30—8:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	6:00 p.m.	Light Supper
	6:15 p.m.	<b>Take the Flag</b> —small group study, Fellowship Hall
	7:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
Sun., Feb. 12	9:30 a.m.	Food and Fellowship—Fellowship Hall
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School Assembly
	9:50 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:50 a.m.	Worship
Mon., Feb. 13	7:00 p.m.	February meeting of the United Methodist Women, Fellowship Hall
Wed., Feb. 15	6:30—8:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	6:00 p.m.	Light Supper
	6:15 p.m.	<b>Take the Flag</b> —small group study, Fellowship Hall
	7:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

**Announcements**

**INFORMATION UPDATE**—We are moving to a new system for maintaining church records and information. If you were not here last week please pick up the printed copy of the information that we have for each member of the congregation. Please check the information and make any necessary corrections, then sign, date, and return the sheet. If there is no printed copy for you, please ask for an Information form and complete the requested information.

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**—The first **Children's Church** for 2017 will be on Wednesday, February 22 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Your help is needed through meal preparation, assistance on Wednesday evenings, identifying children in the community, and in prayer for the program. Please contact Laura Wilson or Sarah Lawson for questions and volunteer opportunities.

**S.H.A.R.E.**—Snow Hill Area Relief Effort donations are needed. Please make checks out to Snow Hill Area Relief Effort and place in the collection plate.

**STAINED GLASS WINDOW REFURBISHMENT**—Please indicate "Stained Glass Windows" on your check memo line or on the bottom of the pew offering envelope.

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**FEBRUARY 5, 2017**

**REV. DR. PATRICIA SPICER**

**PASTOR**

## SNOW HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IN WORSHIP

Sunday, February 5, 2017

Liturgical Color—White

*Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME** We welcome all who have gathered to worship this morning. We ask visitors to please complete a visitor card, located in the pew card holder, and drop it into the offering plate.

† **GREETING OUR SISTERS AND BROTHERS IN CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
*Bless be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love, the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.*

### ENTRANCE

#### PRELUDE & BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

*May we all be in a spirit of prayer as we prepare our hearts and minds for worship during the prelude and as the acolyte brings in the light of Christ to light the candles upon the altar.*

#### CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

**INTROIT** *Bind Us Together* Gillman

† **CALL TO WORSHIP** Liturgist—Keith Lawson  
(Leader) Praise to the Lord our God! Glory be to God's holy name!  
**(People) With joy and thankfulness, we come to worship our God!**  
Praise to the Lord our God! Awe and wonder belongs to God!  
**With trust and confidence, we come to worship our God!**  
Praise to the Lord our God! We delight in and praise our God!  
**In faith, hope and expectation, we come to worship our God! Amen.**  
*From Psalm 112*

† **OPENING HYMN** *Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know* No. 163

#### PASTORAL PRAYER

#### THANKSGIVING TO GOD THROUGH OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

#### OFFERTORY

† **THE DOXOLOGY** No. 94  
*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! Al-le-luia.*

### PROCLAMATION

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** Isaiah 58: 1—9  
*This is the word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God*

**ANTHEM** *Come Share the Lord* Leach

**GOSPEL READING** Matthew 5: 13—20  
*May God bless the reading of the Gospel. Amen*

**SERMON** *What A Wonderful Life* Dr. Spicer  
*Sermon Text: "Let your light shine before all others . . ."* Matt. 5:16

### RESPONSE TO THE WORD

#### CONCERNS FOR OTHERS

*Prayer Quilt—Sandy Colson*

#### PRAYER FOR OTHERS

(Congregation is invited to respond to each, "Lord in Your mercy" with "**Hear our prayer.**")

#### SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

#### INVITATION

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

#### CONFESSION AND PARDON

***Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done Your will, we have broken Your law, we have rebelled against Your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

*All pray in silence.*

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us.  
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

***In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!  
Glory to God. Amen.***

#### THE PEACE

Let us reverently offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.  
***And also with you.***  
Lift up your hearts.  
***We lift them up to the Lord.***  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
***It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast.

You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through the prophets. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.***

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come when you would save your people. He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always, in the power of your Word and Holy Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

***Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.***

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet.