
St Andrew's By-The-Lake United Church

5th after Epiphany Sunday, February 5, 2012

◆ an invitation to stand in body or spirit
Congregational responses in bolded text

In Mark's gospel Jesus' ministry has two major expressions – proclaiming the reign of God, and healing. What is our role in Christ's work of proclaiming and healing? How do we sustain balanced ministry that requires respect for all God's creation?

Welcome and Announcements to Build Our Faith Community

Mission and Service, birthdays, anniversaries and significant events

Gathering in Community

Prelude: *On the Lake*, Heidi Scott Heinrich Hofmann

Introit: *Gloria* #37
Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo!
Gloria, Gloria, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Call to Worship:

*Jesus called a new realm into being,
Still today, we hear that call with hope and anticipation.
The Spirit of Christ calls us to a life-giving way of life
An inner voice calls and we seek to follow.*

◆ **Hymn:** *Come and find the Quiet Centre...*, (please remain seated) #374

Morning Prayers:

rest
when I need rest
when I am still
when I am weary
help me rest in You

c. Sarah Agnew, Sept.2009

The Lord's Prayer:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil
for the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

Sharing Our Faith

Anthem: *Alleluia* Wm. Boyce/A. Bullard

Conversation Time: Finding balance and strength for ministry Isaiah 40: 28 – 41: 1(a)

Hymn: *Come, O Holy Spirit...* **MV #23**

Ministry of the Word:

For the wisdom that guides us, the word that inspires us and the truth that enlightens us. We praise you, O God.

Responsive Psalm 147 (part 1) #868

Mark 1:29-39

Gospel Response: *Gloria* #37

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Reflection: *sustaining balanced ministry*

*Responding to G*d's Grace*

◆ **Hymn:** *Blest Be the Tie That Binds...* #602

Offering Our Gifts

◆ **Response:** *What Can I Do?* **MV #191**

**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.**

Prayers of the People – preparing for our Annual Meeting

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◆ **Blessing and Going Forth**

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Postlude: *Toccata in C Minor*, Heidi Scott de Seixas

The original idea of Christianity as a faithful way of life has begun to displace the enforced system of creeds that has defined the church for fifteen hundred years. As we gather to worship you are invited to seek the more-than-literal meaning of the stories and teachings that shape our lives together.

Resources consulted and adapted for this service include: *Seasons of the Spirit*, Epiphany, 2012

G*d – A way of writing "God" that acknowledges the insufficiency and inability of human language to adequately name the Divine. We know that G*d is more than we can ever name.