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## Fourth Sunday after Epiphany – January 30, 2022

### THE GATHERING

Prelude

Debbie Watson

Welcome

Brooke Reid

*Please let us know you're here by texting FCC to 77411.*

Lighting of the Candles

Call to Worship

Dr. Mark Bender

Opening Hymn

No. 25

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty – vs. 1, 2, 3 & 5*  
***Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, who rules all creation.***  
***O my soul, worship the well spring of health and salvation.***  
***All ye who hear, now to God's temple draw near.***  
***Join me in glad adoration.***

***Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,***  
***who, as on wings of an eagle uplifted, sustaineth.***  
***Hast thou not seen? All that is needful hath been granted***  
***in what God ordaineth.***

***Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee.***  
***Surely God's goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.***  
***Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,***  
***who with great love doth befriend thee.***

***Praise to the Lord! O let all of earth's peoples and races,***  
***all that hath life and breath, give thanks for manifold graces.***  
***Let the Amen sound God's people again.***  
***Gladly forever sing praises.***

Opening Prayer

Claire Baer

### THE PROCLAMATION

Scripture Reading

Genesis 21:8-21

Children's Message

Claire Baer

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Dr. Mark Bender

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin 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.**

Special Music

*What a Friend We Have in Jesus* – arr. Gilbert Martin

Chancel Choir

Sermon

*She Saw*

Dr. Mark Bender

## THE RESPONSE

Communion Hymn

*There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* – vs. 1, 2 & 3

No. 73

***There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea;  
there's a kindness in God's justice, which is more than liberty.  
There is a welcome for the sinner, and more graces for the good!  
There is mercy with the Savior; there is healing in his blood.  
For the love of God is broader than the measure of our mind;  
and the heart of the Eternal is more wonderfully kind.***

## THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table and Words of Institution

Kerry Roach

Prayers for the Bread & Cup

Harry Tonemah & Polly Tonemah

Music During Communion (10:45)

*Communion Prayer* – Pote

Chancel Choir

Partaking of the Bread and Cup

*All believers are invited to share in the Lord's Supper.*

**I believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God.**

## THE SENDING

Sent from the Table & Invitation to Discipleship

Dr. Mark Bender

Closing Hymn

*Alleluia! Hear God's Story*

No. 330

***Alleluia! Hear God's story, still unfolding with each dawn.  
Taste the wine and body broken: God's creative love lives on.  
Who the neighbor? Who the hungry? Who is thirsty for shalom?  
God of journey, in your story; lead us, with the neighbor, home.  
Alleluia! Sing the story; God's great faithfulness proclaim.  
Tell of prophets and apostles; sing the pow'r of Jesus' name.  
Who the neighbor? Who the list'ner? Who has ears to hear our song?  
God of hist'ry, tune our voices, make our hopeful witness strong.  
Alleluia! Dance the story; ev'ry sinew now engage.  
Tethered close in truthful worship, boldly face the coming age.  
Who the neighbor? Who the watchful? Who will welcome life's embrace?  
God of gospel, tell the story through our dancing of your grace.***

Benediction

Dr. Mark Bender

Postlude

Debbie Watson

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## **MEMORIALS AND HONORS**

In memory of Dot Montgomery given by Jesse & Karen Rogers, Randy & Jane Long, Liz Vernon, Doug & Vicki Kunkle, Unity III Study Club.

In memory of Cheryl Huff Thompson given by Jim & Cathy Biggs.

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**Sermon Notes**

1. Chosen or rejected

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2. A party with an unhappy ending

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3. God heard

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4. The parallels

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5. Opening the eyes of our hearts

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# CALENDAR

Sunday, January 30		
8:40 am	Worship Service	Chapel
9:30 am	Sunday School / Journey Through Scripture	
10:45 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary/ Livestream
Immediately After Worship	2021 Church Board Meeting	Sanctuary
3:45 pm	Chancel Ringers (High School-Adults)	Stratten Hall
5:00 pm	Young Disciples Choir (Grades K-5)	Stratten Hall
5:00 pm	Youth Activities (Grades 6-12)	Room 403/Gym
6:00 pm	Young Disciples (Grades K-5)	Rooms 402/405
Monday, January 31		
7:30 am-6:00 pm	Children Come First "CCF" (M-F)	
9:00 am-12:00 pm	Young Ages Preschool "YAS" (M-F)	
9:00 am	CCF Chapel	Chapel
11:00 am	FCC Staff Meeting / Worship Planning	Room 310
7:30 pm	Boy Scouts Troop 15	Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, February 1		
10:00 am	YAS Music	Room 300
6:30 pm	Common Ground Recovery Ministries Support Groups Anger Management, Parenting, Rebuilding Your Life, Domestic Violence Prevention	
Wednesday, February 2		
7:00 am	Elders' Breakfast	Room 405
9:00 am	CCF Spanish	Room 300
10:00 am	YAS Music	Room 300
1:00 pm	Stretch Class	Parlor
5:30 pm	Brown Bag Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm	Neighborhood Worship Service	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm	First Kidz (PreK-5th Grade)	Room 402
7:00 pm	Youth Activities (Grades 6-12)	Room 403/Gym
7:00 pm	Chancel Choir (High School-Adults)	Stratten Hall
Thursday, February 3		
10:00 am	YAS Chapel	Chapel
6:30 pm	Manners Matter	Fellowship Hall
Friday, February 4		
9:00 am	CCF Music	Room 300
10:00 am	YAS Chapel	Chapel
6:00 pm	First Friday at First	Fellowship Hall
Saturday, February 5		



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## The Neighborhood "Christianity 101: The Basics"

Wednesday Night Worship  
5:30 pm Brown Bag Fellowship |  
6:00 pm Worship  
Fellowship Hall