

**Gathering Music**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Prelude**

• **Call to Worship**

Blessed are the poor in spirit, those who mourn, the meek.

**We gather to hear who Christ calls blessed**

those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,

**the merciful, the pure in heart,**

the peacemakers, the persecuted.

**Let us rejoice and praise God!**

• **Invocation**

• **Sounds of Faith: #378 - We Wait the Peaceful Kingdom**

• **Prayer of Confession**

God has told us what is good, what is required:

Do justice. Love kindness. Walk humbly with God.

These commands are so simple, yet we know we have not always followed them.

With that knowledge, we confess.

**Merciful God,**

**we fail to do what is right. Instead, we pursue evil and do not speak the truth.**

**Even when we try our best to be faithful, still we turn away from you.**

**Forgive us, accept us, and redeem us, that we may seek to do what you call good.**

Christ Jesus is the one who judges us.

Christ is the one who was born for us and forgives us with abundant love.

We will boast of all the good God has done for us! Thanks be to God!

• **Congregational Response: #583 - Glory to God**

**Children's Hymn - You Are My Strength When I Am Weak - D. Jernigan ~ LOGOS Choir**

You are my strength when I am weak; you are the treasure that I seek; you are my all in all.

When I fall down, you pick me up, when I am dry, you fill my cup; you are my all in all.

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name! Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name.

**Children's Message:** Tony Pritchett

**Prayer of Illumination**

**Scripture:** Micah 6:6-8 ~ Liturgist, Sara Drummond

*“With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high?*

*Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old?*

*Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil?*

*Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”*

*He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you*

*but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?*

*The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.***

**Choir Anthem: “Offertory”** By: John Ness Beck

**Scripture:** Matthew 5:1-12

*When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:*

*“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.*

*Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.*

*Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.*

*Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.” The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.***

**Meditation:** Dr. Paul Casner

• **Sounds of Hope: #172 - Blest Are They**

• **Affirmation of Faith** (Inspired by Micah 6:6-8)

**The religion that God has given us is a simple one, yet brings a profound call: Let us do justice; let us love kindness; and let us walk humbly with our God. Amen.**

**Giving and Offertory**

**Doxology - #607**

**Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer**

...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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

• **Sounds of Love:** #415 - Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

• **Benediction**

**Postlude**

The (●) dot in the order of worship invites you to stand as you are able. Text in **bold** indicates unison reading.



**February 1** – Book Group (1:30pm), Logos – “Youth Night” (5:30pm), Agape (6pm)

**February 8** – Book Group (1:30pm) Logos – “St. Valentine’s Dinner” (5:30pm), Agape (6pm)

**February 12** – “Sweets for the Sweet” – Dessert Auction and Spaghetti Luncheon following the 10:15am service – More details coming soon!

**February 14** – Dot New Circle, 10am

**February 15** – Book Group (1:30pm), Logos – “God’s Love is Trending” (5:30pm), Agape (6pm)

**February 16** – Men’s Fellowship Dinner, 5:30pm – Location TBD

**February 22** – Book Group (1:30pm), Ash Wednesday, Logos (5:30pm), Agape (6pm)

**\*\*Please sign up at the back of the sanctuary if you’d like to attend the Agape dinner each week! You may also call/email the church office by noon each Monday.**

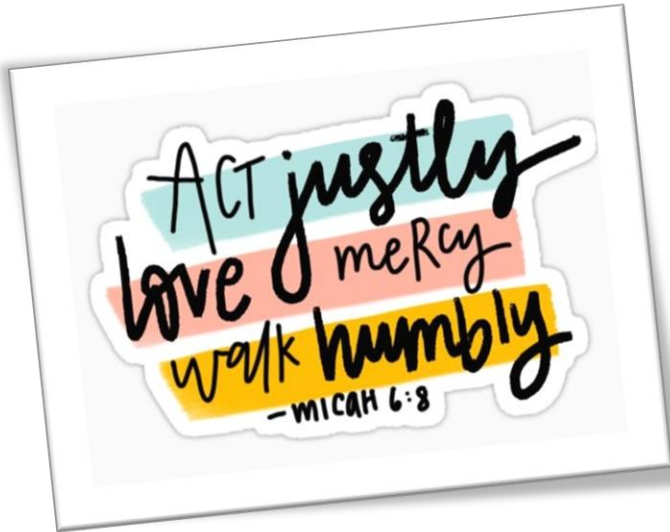
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1. Plate giving during the offertory portion of our service
2. Online at donelsonpres.org – Click the “Giving” tab on the homepage
3. Text DPCGIVE and any amount to 73256

**Donelson Presbyterian Church**

*Sharing the Love of Christ*



We warmly welcome all who have come to worship with us today. If you are a guest at Donelson Presbyterian Church, we encourage you to fill out a yellow visitor card which you will find in the pew.

**January 29, 2023**  
***Fourth Sunday After Epiphany***

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