

First Congregational Church of Winona

United Church of Christ

6th Sunday after Epiphany

10:00 a.m.

February 12, 2023

Prelude

Sandy Todd

Invitation to Worship

Rev. Danielle Bartz

Chimes

Call to Worship (*inspired by Sirach 15:15-20*)

One: Great is the wisdom of the Holy One, powerful and knowing.

Many: God gives us the choice to follow and to be faithful.

One: Great is the wisdom of the Holy One, powerful and knowing.

Many: God offers fire to warm us and water to quench our thirst.

One: Great is the wisdom of the Holy One, powerful and knowing.

Many: God considers us with care and knows our ways.

***Hymn**

"Children of God"

#533, Black Hymnal

***Morning Prayer** (unison)

Righteous God, in you we find life and liberty, compassion and care, redemption and reconciliation. You make your ways known to us, and you recognize your people as we are – fully human and made in your image. You come to us, and we come to you. Let us meet in this time and place. Let us bring our hope and our fears, our joys and our sorrows, our successes and our disappointments – the fullness of this glorious and maddening life toward you assured that you meet us here. Amen.

***Passing the Peace**

Towards the Camera: "The Peace of Christ Be With You!"

Towards one another: "And with all of you!"

Call for Offering

Anthem

Senior Choir

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost! Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication** (unison)

**God who gives the increase, receive these gifts and magnify them for your kingdom.
Continually grow in us and be glorified. Amen.**

Scripture Reading

Matthew 5:21-37

Sermon

"Creating the Beloved Community"

Joys/Concerns/Requests for Prayers

Pastoral Prayer & 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.

Announcements

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***Hymn**

"Be Now My Vision"

#451, Black Hymnal

Benediction and Blessings

Chimes

Postlude

*As you are comfortably able, please rise in body and Spirit