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**\*PRAISE FOR PROVIDENCE** "Doxology" LASST UNS ERFREUEN  
Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Christ and Spirit one.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**\*DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING**  
**Mighty and merciful God, we are grateful for the gift of Christ, who redeems the lost and is light to all who walk in shadow. Receive, we pray, these offerings we bring. May they be used in the service of the light of your compassion, grace, and truth dwelling among us. In Christ's holy name we pray. AMEN.**

**\*HYMN #76** "We Are Singing for the Lord Is Our Light" SIYAHAMBA

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** "Sing to the Mountains" Dufford  
Matt Chelich, Piano

***Our service has ended, let our serving begin.***  
Before you leave, please greet those around you in a spirit of  
warm welcome and fellowship.



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Inspired by the Risen Christ  
We  
Seek — Connect — Serve



**Flossmoor Community Church**  
Where Christ is Central and Diversity is Cherished

**February 16, 2020**

Welcome Visitors...

We pray that in the Spirit of Christ, our worship will be a blessing that inspires you to go out and serve. A special welcome to all guests — we are graced by your presence!

We invite you to talk with those around you as well as the Worship Leaders, and hope you will stop by the Information Desk in the Gathering Space (just outside the Sanctuary) where you will find a host to answer questions about opportunities for ministry and mission at FCC.

Please sign the red Friendship Pad found in the pew rack and mark if you would like to receive more information about FCC, and feel free to call the church office at (708) 798-2800.

— Pastor Fred

The Peace of the Risen Christ be with You!

Please read through the bulletin to be familiar with the flow of the service. Once in the sanctuary, everyone is invited to observe reverent silence that encourages quiet prayer, reflection, and listening to the Prelude.

— Thank You!

Your cooperation in silencing cell phones is greatly appreciated.

Please Note:

Large print bulletins and music sheets are available from an usher.

Flossmoor Community Church  
5th Sunday after Epiphany

**Epiphany** is most well known as a holy day on January 6th that celebrates the magi following the light of the star that led them to Jesus. But Epiphany is also a season that focuses attention on the light of God’s revelation in Jesus Christ. In particular, we celebrate God’s promise and purpose to the nations of the world, for like when the magi came from afar to worship the Christ child, so the light of God’s covenant of grace extends to all who believe the good news of Jesus Christ. The symbolism of light is important: not only because of the star that guided the magi, but also as it signals the light of the divine in Christ.

adapted from www.presbyterianmission.org

Words for Silent Meditation and Prayer before Worship

“Jesus said: ‘I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness but will have the light of life.’

~John 8:12~

PRELUDE

"In the Garden"  
Matt Chelich, Piano

Miles

GREETINGS IN CHRIST

Pastor Fred Lyon

CENTERING FOR WORSHIP

from Book of Common Worship

One: O Christ, radiance made manifest as the true light of God—

All: gladden our hearts in the joyful presence of your glory!

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Steve Baker

One: Share your bread with the hungry, shelter the oppressed and the homeless; clothe the naked when you see them, and do not turn your back on your own.

All: Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your wounds shall quickly be healed; your vindication shall go before you, and the glory of God shall be your rear guard.

One: If you remove from your midst oppression, false accusation and malicious speech; if you bestow your bread on the hungry and satisfy the afflicted—

All: then light shall rise for you in the darkness, and the gloom shall become for you like midday.

adapted from Isaiah 58:7-10

\*HYMN #670

“O Word of God Incarnate”

MUNICH

\*GATHERING PRAYER

Randall Tate

We thank you, O God, for graciously gathering us as living members of your Chosen One, our Savior Jesus Christ. Help us to welcome the light of Christ into our hearts and to grow there, so that our daily living may be part of the life of your reign, and our love be your love reaching out into the life of the world. Through Jesus Christ and for the wonder of his ways we pray. AMEN.

from Book of Common Worship

\*GRATITUDE FOR GRACE

“Gloria, Gloria”

adapted from the Taizé Community

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo!  
Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!  
Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP AND FAITH FAMILY MATTERS

THE COMMUNITY HEARS THE WORD

INVITATION TO THE READING OF THE GOSPEL

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 5:13-16  
Holy Wisdom. Holy Word.  
Praise to you, O Christ!

(A moment of silence for contemplating the reading)  
Next Sunday is the Transfiguration of the Lord  
and the Gospel Reading will be Matthew 17:1-9.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Presentation of Bibles to FCC Third Graders

Kathleen Mitchell, Sean Ojode, Brady Williams  
Teachers: Nils Wickstrom & Jessica Groen

\* THE PEACE

from Colossians 3:15 and John 20:19, 21, 26

One: May the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

All: To this peace the Holy Spirit gathers us as the body of Christ.

Children: The peace of Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Please greet those around you, saying, “Peace be with you!” or “The Peace of Christ!”  
as you shake hands, exchange hugs, or extend other signs of friendship.

CARING FOR THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD

PRAYERS OF THANKS AND PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND WHOLENESS

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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. AMEN.

MESSAGE

"What Comes to Light"

Pastor Fred

(A moment of silence for contemplating the message)

THE COMMUNITY PREPARES TO GO FORTH

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"As the Deer"

Nystrom

Matthew 5:13-16

<sup>13</sup> “You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

<sup>14</sup> “You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid.

<sup>15</sup> No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.