Second Sunday After Epiphany

January 19, 2025

9:45 AM

BETHE CHURCH *Protect the environment.* Care for the poor. Embrace diversity. **Reject racism.** Forgive often. Love God. Fight for the powerless. Share earthly and spiritual resources. Enjoy this life.

MEDITATION: "Everybody can be great because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love." ~ *Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.*

PRELUDE
HailstorkDeep RiverAdolphusWORDS OF WELCOMERev. Anne Marie Holloway*CALL TO WORSHIP:Rev. Anne Marie Holloway

Christ, our peace: we hear your call! Help us to answer!

May we live our lives as peacemakers and justice seekers. Guide us as we follow the path of shalom.

We give thanks for the cloud of witnesses who have known your presence in their struggles every step of the way to peace.

Your promise is sure that peace is possible when we follow in the way you lead.

Give us courage to answer the call to join with all of creation crying out for a just peace! Amen.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #628 Precious Lord, Take My Hand

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*SILENT CONFESSION

***WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

*GLORIA PATRI

GREATOREX

Glory to the Creator, the Christ, the Holy Spirit Three in One; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end. Amen. Amen.

Children are invited to head to Church School after the passing of the Peace of Christ.

THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you. (Please share the peace of Christ with your neighbor!)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please Lord, we also pray for: Those suffering from the effects of flooding, fires and war; healing and comfort for Olive Barrett, Marcia Bibeault, Dick Lane, Michael Martens, Jack Stone. Let us pray together the prayer that Jesus taught us saying, "**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."**

PRAYER RESPONSE Spirit of the Living God

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALL TO OFFERING



For your convenience, we have included a QR code for donations. Thank you for your generosity.

*DOXOLOGY

#47 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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.

***UNISON OFFERING PRAYER**

God of plenty, bless these gifts, and the one who gave. May our circle of giving and receiving draw us close with each one's gift cherished and each one's needs met. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 36:5-10 (Chanting)

- Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains; your judgments are like the great deep;
 - you save humans and animals alike, O LORD.

How precious is your steadfast love, O God!All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

O continue your steadfast love to those who know you and your salvation to the upright of heart!

1 Corinthians 12: 1-11

Judy Massey

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be ignorant. You know that when you were gentiles you were enticed and led

astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of powerful deeds, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

This ends the reading of God's Holy Word. For the Word of God in Scripture; for the Word of God among us; for the Word of God within us, **thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM	Many Gifts, One Spiri	t Pote
SERMON	"A Spirit for the Common Good"	' Rev. Anne Marie Holloway
*RECESSIO	ONAL HYMN #592 Every Time	e I Feel the Spirit
*BENEDIC	TION	Rev. Anne Marie Holloway
*BENEDICTION RESPONSE Chalice #316		
POSTLUDI	E Great Day	Hailstork

FLOWERS

In loving memory of my uncle, Owen Jefferson from Pam Allen

USHERS

Jan 19. Jane and Doug Crandall

Jan 26. Jane Hayes and Joanne Dickey

COFFEE HOUR

1-19-25 Missions

1-26-25 Music 1

Be sure to visit our website to see all that is happening at the Allin Congregational Church!

allinchurch.org

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE FOLLOWING DATES:

LOOKING AHEAD!

Monday, January 20th - Day of Service - 10-1pm - Inhouse

Saturday, February 1st –Women's Union Party 1-4pm

Friday, February 14th – Messy Friday 6-7:30pm

February 18 – 21st – "Love Our Earth" February Break Camp

NOTICE of the 387th ANNUAL MEETING

of

Allin Congregational Church

Sunday, February 9, 2025

11:30 AM, Stage Room

Notice is hereby posted of the 387th Annual Meeting of the Allin Congregational Church to generally act upon:

• Reports from various groups and people responsible for church life and activities to be given and accepted

- The Prudential Committee's proposed budget for 2025
- A slate of officers and other leaders to be presented by the Nominating Committee
- Other items that may come before the meeting
- A quorum of 35 in-person members is required by our By-Laws. A hybrid meeting by request is available on Zoom for those requesting access.

Minister's Office Hours

Rev. Anne Marie would love to visit with you at the church during the week or meet you for coffee! She holds office hours on most Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays between 9:30 and 12:30pm! Drop in or schedule a time to meet! She is available to meet off site Monday and Wednesday afternoons. Just send her an email at pastorannem@allinchurch.org

Rev. Anne Marie tries to hold Fridays and Saturdays as her Sabbath, as they are often filled with sermon editing/writing and family appointment days.

Allin Congregational Church United Church of Christ

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