PRAYER REQUESTS: Please use the blue prayer request cards in the pews for your prayer requests. Place them in the offering plate so Pastor can include them in the Pastoral Prayer.

LAY READER for today is Linda Schaller.

GREETER today is MaryAnne Gilbert.

CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY this week is Dick McNally, Cort Huffman, Bill Cramer and Norene Rosso.

THE FLOWERS this week are given by Linda Schaller in memory of Frank Schaller.

DEACON of the month is Carol Hall.

#### **Church Elders**

Sharon Laverdure Rick Sanker Ellie Buff Sandra Rydell Judy Schreck Jim Hall Phil Lawrence Debbie Prince Lisa Swanson

## **Church Staff**

Nicole Vogel	Pastor
Jen Carmella	Secretary
Linda Schaller	Music Director
Bob Lee	Sexton
Sami Carmella	Nursery Attendant
Keith Karkut	Technology

# THIS WEEK AT E.S.P.C.

<u>Today</u> ~ Adult Ed. class, 9:00 a.m.

~ Worship, 10:00 a.m.

~ Session meeting, following worship

~ Bell rehearsal after worship, in the Youth Room

~ Inspirarity Dialogues, 6;00-7:00 p.m.

Monday ~ 5-7 Year Planning Commission, 4:15-5:15

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February 13, 2022 Service for the Lord's Day 6th Sunday after Epiphany

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

PRELUDE "Come As You Are" ARR. CAROL TORNQUIST

**GATHERING** 

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Though the storms of life rage,

P: With You, holy God, we rest secure.

L: In the midst of icy roads and snowy blizzards,

P: You are our unchanging solid rock.

L: When the winds howl with changes

P: You hold us in sure embrace.

L: Through it all

ALL: We deepen our trust in You and praise You this day!

\*HYMN #288 "Spirit of the Living God"

#### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God, we praise You as the one who is the same yesterday, today and forever. Even though there is constant change around us, Your yearning to shower blessings on Your people has not changed. As you delivered the people of old from slavery in Egypt, so You will deliver us from whatever enslaves us. For Your continued blessings and presence accept our praise. Amen

CHILDREN'S SERMON

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, You who are always doing a new thing, we confess that we sometimes close windows against the fresh air of new ideas, against the noise of other people's worries, against the winds of change. God of every place and time, we confess that we often draw the curtains against people who are different, against world news or community concerns, against any changes that cause us fear. Forgive us our insulation in our locked homes, our shuttered churches, the security systems on our hearts. Open up our lives and let Your Spirit blow through. Amen.

#### **№** Moment for Silent Reflection **9**•

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*GLORIA PATRI (Pg. 581 in red hymnal)

Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,

World without end, amen. Amen.

\*THE PEACE (please greet your neighbors, but remain in your pews)

L: The peace of Christ be with you!

P: And also with you!

HYMN NO. 695 "Change My Heart, O God"

MINUTE FOR MISSION- Pierce and Erin Johnson

### THE WORD

NEW TESTAMENT

Matthew 9: 14-17 (Pg. 9)

EPISTLE *Philippians 4:12-20 (Pg. 198)* 

L: Word of God for the people of God

P: Thanks be to God

SERMON "The Inevitable" Pastor Nicki

HYMN NO. 69 "Here I Am, Lord"

APOSTLES' CREED (Pg. 35 in red hymnal)

# **SENDING**

**DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS** 

THANKSGIVING, PASTORAL PRAYER 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.

HYMN NO. 547 "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" OLIVER HOLDEN