

Sixth Sunday After the Epiphany

February 13, 2022

**Theme: Looking Back to Look Forward  
“JOURNEYING ON”**

“Joseph and Mary took the child during the night and left for Egypt. There they stayed until the death of Herod, fulfilling what the prophet said: “Out of Egypt I called my son.” Matthew 2:14-15

### *GATHERING*

Announcements and Greeting

*Prelude:* “You Satisfy the Hungry Heart” Charles Callahan  
(based on Hymn # 523)

Invocation

*\*Call To Worship:* Psalm 71:1-6

Leader: Lord, we have gone to you for safety. Let us never be put to shame.

**People: You do what is right, so save us and help us. Pay attention to our lives.**

Leader: Give the command to save us for You are our rock and our fortress.

**People: Be our rock of safety that we can always go to.**

Leader: You have always been our hope. We have trusted in you ever since we were young.

**People: From the time we were born we have depended on you. We will praise you forever!**

\*Hymn: #393 “O Day of Rest and Gladness” (see download)

*Prayer of the Day and Confession (unison)*

**By the light of a star, O God of the universe, You guided the nations to the Light of the world. Until this Redeemer comes again in glory, we, as with seekers of all times, long to see the face of the Savior, long to see redemption fulfilled, long to see the new heaven and new earth where all shall dwell together in harmony as peacefully as the lion and lamb together. Summon us with all those who thirst**

**now to the banquet of love. May our hunger be filled and our thirst be quenched with your word of truth. Yet, in the Light of the radiant Christ we acknowledge our participation in the brokenness of the world. We pause now to make our personal confession. . . (do so now silently and individually). Having done so, we proclaim you the Light of the world, so that whoever follows You will not walk in darkness but will have the Light of life. AMEN**

*Assurance of Pardon*

Leader: In the light of the radiant Christ may we understand our vocation to follow Him in this often dark and dreary world.

**People: Let us believe the good news of the Gospel: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

**\*Response:** In the Lord I'll be ever thankful; In the Lord I will rejoice! Look to God: do not be afraid. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near. (#654)

### *PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD*

*Anthem:* “Meditation on an American Folk Hymn” Carl Simone

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Hymn: #525 “Let Us Break Bread Together” (see download)

*Scripture Reading:* Jeremiah 17:5-10 and Matthew 2:12-15

Sermon: “Driven by Dreams” (Strangers in Foreign Lands: Two Journeys)

### *RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD*

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

**\*Affirmation of Faith (unison) - Psalm 117**

Praise the Lord, all nations: praise the Lord, all people. For God's merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the Lord endures forever. This is the faith we affirm today. Praise the Lord!

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

The Peace of Christ

\*Hymn: #65 “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” (see download)

\*Benediction

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude: “Crown Him Lord of All” Gilbert Martin

The End of Worship  
The Beginning of Service

\*Those who wish may stand

Rev. James Shuler, Interim Minister  
Mrs. Dianne Yuninger, Organist/Choir Director

**PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:**

PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK: **Elaine and Joe Gouba**

**Offering Envelopes** and **Giving Statements** for 2022 are in the narthex.

Please stop by the table in the Narthex to view the pictorial album of **Rev. Birch’s Retirement Celebration.**

# Leacock Presbyterian Church

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