January 23, 2022—Third Sunday After the Epiphany—Human Relations Day Reprised

Worship Order

Gathering as God’s People

Prelude Music TBD

Greeting W&Swr #68

One: We meet in different buildings, in different towns.

**Many: We speak different languages and sing different hymns.**

One: We wear different clothing and have different gifts and talents.

**Many: Yet, as we gather together for worship on Sundays, we become one body, one family in Christ.**

One: We join together on one journey,

**Many: the journey to unite with the Risen Christ.**

One: We join together with God as the Kingdom of God comes and as God’s will is done.

**Many: Let us join with all our brothers and sisters in worship and true communion with God this day. Amen.**

Singing— “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” vs. 1 UMH #139

Prayer of the Day W&Swr #36

One: When the world divides us:

**Many: Come, Holy Spirit, make us one.**

One: When the world calls us orphaned:

**Many: Come, Holy Spirit, make us family.**

One: When the world leads us astray:

**Many: Come, Holy Spirit, call us home.**

**All: Come, Holy Spirit, come! Come and fill this place!**

Singing “To God Be the Glory” UMH #98

“Thy Word” UMH #601

Announcements & Offering Invitation

Human Relations Day Slide

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concern

Hearing God’s Good News Call

Prayer of Illumination

**Lord, let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, our rock and our redeemer. Amen.**

First Scripture Lesson: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Psalter Psalm 19 UMH P. 750

*Debbie, Since we don’t have Jodene, we will NOT sing the Response for this one!*

Singing— “Where Children Belong” TFWS #2233

Children’s Time— “A Lamp Unto Our Feet

New Testament Lesson 1 Corinthians 12:12-31*a*

Gospel Lesson: Luke 4:14-21

Message— “Good News to the Poor”

Responding as God’s Gathering

Prayer of Confession BOW #476

*Debbie, please type in the words form the Book of Worship here.*

*All offer prayers of confession in silence.*

Words of Pardon

One: This is the message we have heard . . . the blood of Jesus the Son cleanses us from all sin.

**Many: May almighty God, who caused light to shine out of darkness, shine in our hearts, cleansing us from all our sins, and restoring us to the light of the knowledge of God’s glory, in the face of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

The Lord’s Prayer (Traditional Words—UMH #895

Being Sent as God’s Disciple-Making,

World-Transforming Mission

Singing “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing” vs. 1, 3, 5, 7 UMH #57

Blessing and Sending Forth

Singing— “God Be with You till We Meet Again” vs. 1 UMH #672

Postlude