

# Worship Resources for February 5, 2023 The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany



#### Welcome

#### Opening Song "Nearer My God to Thee"

Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee! E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me, Still all my song shall be, nearer, my God, to Thee. Nearer, my God, to Thee, Nearer to Thee!

There in my Father's home, safe and at rest, There in my Savior's love, perfectly blest; Age after age to be, nearer my God to Thee. Nearer, my God, to Thee, Nearer to Thee!

### **Opening Prayer**

O God, day after day we seek you,
and delight to know your ways.

Help us to recognize that you nurture us
for the work of justice:
to feed the hungry, clothe the naked,
free the bound and oppressed.
Let your light break forth among us this day,
that your healing may come; at our hands,
and in the name of Jesus Christ, through whom we pray.

Amen

## **Scripture Readings**

I Corinthians 2: 1-12 Matthew 5: 13-20

#### Meditation

Prayers of the People/The Prayer of Our Savior (debts and debtors)

Closing Song "Blessed Be the Tie That Binds"

Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.

From sorrow, toil and pain, And sin, we shall be free, And perfect love and friendship reign Through all eternity.

**Benediction** 

**Threefold Amen**