**Sunday, February 5, 2023**

**Communion**

\*Hymn: “All Creatures of Our God and King” #61 vs 1,2 & 4

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude: “And Ain’t I a Woman” *by Sojourner Truth* – Phyllis Wade & Darlene Steele

Invitation to Worship:

God of compassion, we thank you that you forgive our sins

and blot out our transgressions.

**Renew our hearts, O God and teach us wisdom.**

Grant us the joy of your salvation. And keep us steadfast

in your service.

**Grant us your grace and peace. Glory be to you, O God.**

Invocation & Lord’s Prayer

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 58:1-9a – Shirley Mason

Children’s Message – Laureen Galayda

Scripture: Matthew 5:13-20

Sermon: “Let Your Light Shine Before Others”

Hymn: “He Lifted Me” #629 vs. 1 & 2

Prayer Time

Hymn: “He Lifted Me” #629 vs. 4

Invitation & Sharing of the Bread & the Cup

\*Hymn: “Blest Be the Tie that Binds” #337 vs. 1 & 4

Benediction

\*Hymn: “God Be with You ‘til We Meet Again” #323 vs. 1

Postlude: “I Must Tell Jesus” – Les Marsh

\*Those who are able, please stand.

**Isaiah 58:1-9**

58Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. 2Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God.

3“Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. 4Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. 5Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord? 6Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? 7Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

8Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. 9Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.