

*Our Mission:
Love God
Love Others
Make Disciples*



*Our Vision:
Be the hands
and feet
of Christ*

Northgate United Methodist Church

February 13, 2022

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

Sermon Series: Love Never Ends: Being the Body of Christ (Week 6 of 8)

Sermon: The First Fruits

Prelude

Greeting & Announcements

NOTE: † Congregation, please stand as you are able.

Bold: Congregation, please respond together.

†Call to Worship

Poor or despairing, come to be blessed.

Hungry or tired, come to be restored.

Sorrowing or sighing, come to discover joy.

Bring your tired, your poor.

Share your hopes, your dreams.

Embrace your doubts, your fears.

Come as you are.

All are welcome here.

†Opening Prayer

God of blessings and woes, bless us with your presence this day. Reveal your way forward and guide us in pathways of hope and grace. In your blessed name we pray. **AMEN.**

†Opening Hymn

I'm Goin' a Sing When the Spirit Says Sing

UMH 333

Concerns of the Community

Pastoral Prayer

The 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. AMEN.

‡Hymn *Go, Tell It on the Mountain* UMH 251

‡Affirmation of Faith "A Modern Affirmation" UMH 885

*Where the Spirit of the Lord is,
there is the one true church, apostolic and universal,
whose holy faith let us now declare:*

**We believe in God the Father,
infinite in wisdom, power, and love,
whose mercy is over all his works,
and whose will is ever directed to his children's good.
We believe in Jesus Christ,
Son of God and Son of man,
the gift of the Father's unfailing grace,
the ground of our hope,
and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.
We believe in the Holy Spirit
as the divine presence in our lives,
whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance
of the truth of Christ,
and find strength and help in time of need.
We believe that this faith should manifest itself
in the service of love
as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord,
to the end
that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. AMEN.**

Young Disciples' Time Jay Marsh

Anthem *I Love to Tell the Story* Choir

Black History Month Presentation *August Wilson* Theodore Sappore

‡Scripture

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“The First Fruits”

Pastor Jennifer

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

‡Closing Hymn

There Is a Balm in Gilead

UMH 375

‡ Benediction

‡ Choral Response

Go Now in Peace (2X)

Go now in peace, go now in peace, may the love of God surround you everywhere, everywhere you may go.

‡ Postlude

Today's Worship Leaders

Preacher..... Rev. Jennifer Kilpatrick

Liturgist Gail Blythe

Music Director..... David Forbus

Accompanist..... Laura Benton

A/V Team Cary Marsalis, Jay Marsh



Traditional Worship Service in-person or online at 10:45 a.m.

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Upcoming Worship Services

February 20, 2022

Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

Continue 8-part Sermon Series

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

Sermon title: Raised in Glory

Sermon series: Love Never Ends:

Being the Body of Christ

(week seven of eight)