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# Spring Creek United Church of Christ

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany  
February 5, 2023

*We are an Open and Affirming, God-is still-speaking Congregation.  
We embrace our diversity to make a divine difference together.  
Wherever you are on life's journey, there is a place of welcome for you here.*

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*Welcome to Spring Creek United Church of Christ!*

**Fifth Sunday after Epiphany- February 5, 2023**  
*(Please stand as you are able at the places marked \*)*

Music for Meditation    *"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"*

Musician

**Welcome**

Pastor David

"Welcome Table"

I'm gonna sit at the welcome table. I'm gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days.  
Hallelujah!

I'm gonna sit at the welcome table. Sit at the welcome table (one of these days.)

**\*Call to Worship**    *"Hush, Hush, Somebody's Callin' My Name"*

Hush, Hush, Somebody's callin' my name. (must be Jesus) Hush, Hush, Somebody's  
callin' my name. (must be Jesus) Oh, Hush, Hush Somebody's callin' my name. O my  
Lord, O my Lord, what shall I do? (What shall I do?)

**\*Gathering Prayer**    *"I Want To Be A Christian In My Heart"*

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart,  
Lord I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart.  
In my heart, in my heart.  
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart.

**Prelude**            *“I Want Jesus To Walk With Me” and “Just A Closer Walk”*

I want Jesus to walk with me. I want Jesus to walk with me.  
All along my pilgrim journey. I want Jesus to walk with me.

I am weak, but Thou art strong, Jesus, keep me from all wrong.  
I'll be satisfied as long  
As I walk, let me walk close to Thee

Just a closer walk with Thee, Grant it, Jesus, is my plea,  
Daily walking close to Thee. Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

**\*Confession**            *“Stand By Me” (C.A. Tindley)*

When the storm of life is raging, stand my me (stand by me)  
When the storm of life is raging, stand my me (stand by me)  
When this world is tossing me like a ship out on the sea  
Thou who calmed the wind and waters stand by me

In the midst of faults and failures, stand by me (stand my me)  
In the midst of faults and failures, stand by me (stand my me)  
When I've done the best I can, and my friends misunderstand  
Thou who knowest all about me, stand by me. (stand by me)

**Hymn**                    *“Wade In The Water”*

Wade in the water. Wade in the water, children. Wade in the Water. God's gonna trouble the water.

See those people dressed in white (wade in the water)  
They look like the children of the Israelites (God's gonna trouble the water)

Some Say Peter and some say Paul (wade in the water)  
But there ain't but the one God made us all (God's gonna trouble the water)

**\*Prayers of the People**

Pastor David

**\*Lord's Prayer**

**Pastor & the People**

**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**

**debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

Today's offering will be donated to our own Rockford African American Resource Center at Booker to be used in their TeenREACH program which among many other services also offers youth opportunities in the arts.

**Offertory**      *"I Will Guide Thee With Mine Eye"* (Nathaniel Niles)

Refrain: I will guide thee; I will guide thee; I will guide thee with mine eye.  
All the way from earth to heaven, I will guide thee with mine eye.

If you cannot give your thousands, you can give the widow's mite.  
For the least you do for others will be precious in His sight.

Hark the voice of Jesus calling, "Who will go to work today?  
Fields are white and harvest is waiting. Who will bear my sheaves away?"

**Prayer of Dedication** Pastor David

**Lighting a Candle for Ukraine** Pastor David

"There Is A Balm In Gilead"

There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole.  
There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.

Sometimes I feel discouraged. I think my life's in vain. In prayers the Holy Spirit revives my soul again.

*"Precious Lord"* (Thomas A. Dorsey 1932), Thomas Shepherd (1693), George Nelson Allen (1844)

Must Jesus bear the cross alone and all the world go free? No there's a cross for everyone, and there's a cross for me.

Precious Lord take my hand. Lead me on, help me stand. I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.

Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light. Take my hand precious Lord, lead me on.

When my way grows drear, Precious Lord linger near. When my light is almost gone,

Hear my cry, hear my call. Hold my hand lest I fall. Take my hand, precious Lord lead me on.

**Benediction**

Pastor David

**Postlude**

*"I Saw The Light" (H. Williams)*

Musician

**Pastor: David Sheridan**

**Musician: Tom Stein**

**Guest Musician: Ron Holm**

**Song Leader: Jim Crone**

**Production Team: Bob Tissot**

**Ushers: Jerry Brickey and Ann Patel**

**Greeter: Harriet Roll**

**Prayer Requests:**

**Please pray for these members and friends:**

- We pray for **Dan and Barb Mugavero**, who have Covid.
- We pray for **Jeanne Klemme**, who has completed tests and will be undergoing treatment.
- We pray for **Deb Floor**, who has improved and been transferred from the hospital to East Bank Rehabilitation for physical therapy.
- We pray for **Pat Ingold** who is still on oxygen and restricted to her apartment.
- We pray for **Leslie Carr** who has been diagnosed with soft tissue cancer and continues treatment.
- We pray for **Brent Schultz** who has been diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease.
- We pray for **Todd**, brother-in-law of Pastor David and Leslie, who continues cancer treatment.



**Anniversaries:** No anniversaries

**Birthday:** Colleen McDonald-February 9

<b>Attendance</b>
<b>Jan.</b>
1/15-41
1/22-34
1/29-39

**Pastor David's Office Hours**

Wednesdays 8 am - 4 pm  
or call the office for an appointment

**Church Office hours**

Tues. – Thu. 10 am - 2 pm

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