

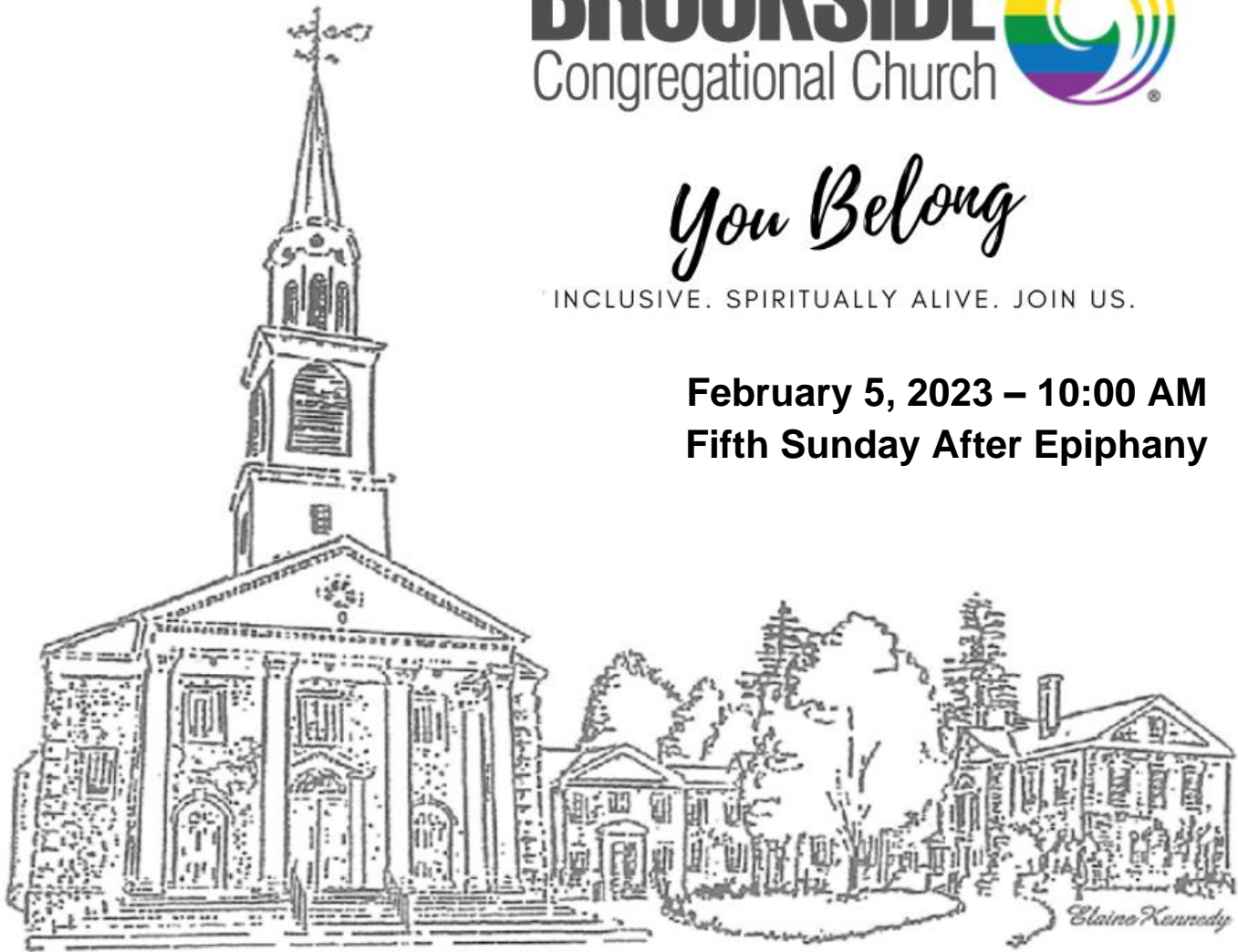
BROOKSIDE
Congregational Church



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February 5, 2023 – 10:00 AM
Fifth Sunday After Epiphany



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*Please Stand

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *The Lord's Prayer; Mallote*

GREETING

The **flowers** this morning are given in loving memory of Evangeline Popp by her daughters Louise, Nancy, and Robin Popp, and Marylou Bissonnette.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Brock Family

Leader: We delight to draw near to you gracious God. We rejoice in the many gifts you have given us.

People: We lift up our hearts and voices in praise. We humble ourselves in our walk with God.

Leader: Let's gather today making room for the Holy Spirit. Let the Spirit move us to a deeper faith in God.

People: The wisdom of God is unlike any human wisdom. It draws us away from the world's agenda and sets us on the pathway with Jesus.

Leader: May we be filled with the spirit of Christ.

INTROIT *Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart; Plumpire*

OPENING PRAYER

Art Hunt

O God, you call out to us saying "Here I am." But we don't listen. You pour out spiritual gifts on us, but we do not discern them. You call us to build a more just world, but we cling to our advantages. Forgive us we pray. Help us to know the wisdom of your Holy Spirit. Create in us a generosity that reflects your son Jesus. Send your Holy Spirit to all of us, that we might understand new ways to follow in the Way of Christ. AMEN

*HYMN

Sweet, Sweet Spirit

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SCRIPTURE

Matthew 5:13-16

Lisa Brock

“You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled underfoot. “You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before

others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

1 Corinthians 2:1-5

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

SERMON

Demonstrate the Spirit

Rev. Laura

WEE SINGERS

Come Bless the Lord

Signed by Sharon Carter

ANTHEM

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God for all that love has done:

Creator, Christ, and Spirit One.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

COMMUNION PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER – DEBTS AND TRESPASSES

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness (vs 1-2)

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Sweet, Sweet Spirit (instrumental reprise)*

Deacon of the Week: Karen Soule
Spirit Squad: Brock Family & Hunt Family
Reader: Lisa Brock

Slowly

1 There's a sweet, sweet Spir - it in this place, and I
2 There are bless - ings you can - not re - ceive till you

know that it's the Spir - it of the Lord; there are
know that Spir - it's full - ness and be - lieve; you're the

sweet ex - pres - sions on each face, and I
one to prof - it when you say, "I am

to Refrain

know they feel the pres - ence of the Lord.
going to stay with Je - sus all the way."

Refrain

Sweet Ho - ly Spir - it, sweet heav-en-ly Dove, stay right here

with us, fill-ing us with your love; And for these bless-ings we

lift our hearts in praise. With-out a doubt we'll know that we have

been re - vived when we shall leave this place.

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

*Unison, brightly**James K. Manley, 1978; alt.*

Refrain

The musical score is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of two sharps (D major). It consists of five systems of music, each with a vocal line and a guitar accompaniment line. The guitar accompaniment includes chord diagrams and chord names: D, G, A, Dsus4, D, Bm, E7, Asus7, A7, D, G, A, Dsus4, D, Bm, G, A7, D, G, D, D, D, G, A, G.

System 1:
 Spir - it, spir - it of gen - tle-ness, blow through the

System 2:
 wil - der-ness, call - ing and free,

System 3:
 Spir - it, spir - it of rest - less-ness, stir me from

System 4:
 plac - id-ness, wind, wind on the sea. *Last time, end*

System 5:
 1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the
 2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the
 3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a
 4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient

D A7 D Bm

deep, then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the
 sand, and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a
 hill, then you whis - pered in si - lence when the
 schemes, from the bond - age of sor - row the

E7 Asus7 A7 D G A

val - leys of sleep; And o - ver the e - ons you
 law and a land; When they were con - found - ed by their
 whole world was still; And down in the cit - y you
 cap - tives dream dreams; Our wom - en see vi - sions, our

G D A7 D Bm

called to each thing, "A - wake from your slum -
 i - dols and lies, then you spoke through your proph -
 called once a - gain, when you blew through your peo -
 men clear their eyes. With bold new de - ci -

G A7 D G D A7 *to Refrain*

bers and rise on your wings."
 ets to o - pen their eyes.
 ple on the rush of the wind.
 sions your peo - ple a - rise.



Please Remember in Prayer



Ruth Bodge
Judith Chiasson
Thomas and Julie Cleary
Mary Hunt
Ann Lachance
The Family of Jean Mijal
Herb Pence

Carolyn Monday
Anna O'Donnell
Rachel
Stacy
Kim Woodruff
The Family of Dave Gates

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Join us after church on February 19th in Fellowship Hall at 11:00 am for our intergenerational Circles of the Heart opportunity. Theo Martey, husband of Katy and father of Theo and Saraphina, will lead us in an African Drum Circle. Djembe drums will be provided. Following this engaging experience, we will dig into a traditional King Cake to celebrate the end of Epiphany.