

# WESLEY MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## *Order of Worship* **Second Sunday After Epiphany**

January 15, 2023

7:30 am

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### **Welcome**

The Reverend Dr. Jeff Patterson, Senior Pastor

### **Call to Worship**

The Reverend Dr. McKennon Shea, Lector

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray

**O Christ, who commanded the apostles to go into all the world and to preach the gospel to every creature, let your name be great among the nations from the rising up of the sun to it's going down, now and forever, amen**

### **Solo**

*Pastorale*

Samuel Coleridge-Taylor  
(1875-1912)

### **Scripture Lesson**

John 9:1-7

As he walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see.

This is the Word of God. **Thanks be to God.**

### **Sermon**

The Reverend Dr. Jeff Patterson

*"If God Is Good, Why Is There So Much Suffering in the World?"*

**Solo**

*How Beautiful are the Feet from Messiah*

George Frideric Handel  
(1685-1759)

*How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace and bring glad tidings of good things.*

**Dismissal and Blessing**

The Reverend Dr. Jeff Patterson

**Closing Voluntary**

*Grand Choeur Dialogué*

Eugène Gigout

**Participating Today**

The Reverend Dr. Jeff Patterson, Senior Pastor

The Reverend Dr. McKennon Shea, Lector

Mrs. Kelsey Philbrick, Violin Soloist

Mrs. Clarice Friedrich, Soprano Soloist

Mr. Chris Massey, Audio Video Technician

Mr. Frank Pifferetti, Director of Traditional Music Ministries and Organist

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