

**Fourth Sunday After The Epiphany  
January 31, 2010 10:00 a.m.**

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*Our mission is to change peoples' lives  
through a relationship with Jesus Christ.*

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**~WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE~**

**Greeting of Peace**

**Prelude**

**Lighting of the Altar Candles**

**Call To Worship**

*Based on Psalm 71: 1-6*

**L:** In your presence we find a place of safety where we will never be put to shame. Your way is good and right and keeps us from all kinds of trouble.

**P:** *Tune your heart to the sounds of our voices as we open our hearts to worship you.*

**L:** Shelter us from all that threatens to destroy; for, with you, we do not have to be afraid. You are our hope and trust from the days of our youth.

**P:** *Tune your heart to the sounds of our voices as we open our hearts to worship you.*

**L:** We have trusted you from the time we were born; in fact, it was you who drew us out of our mothers' wombs and you midwife us along the way.

**P:** *Tune your heart to the sounds of our voices as we open our hearts to worship you.*

**Hymn**

*"Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"*

**#344**

**Opening Prayer**

God, whose voice echoes all around and deep inside, speak to us through gentle reminders, hard truths, encouraging ideas, and emerging thoughts. Then put your words in our mouths that we may speak the ways of your love.

**This Week at Blackstone Valley United Methodist Church**

**Stewardship Moment**

*Derek Plourde*

**A Time For The Child In All Of Us**

**Offertory**

*"Litany"*

*Rev. Carey Landry*

**Doxology**

**#95**

**Offertory Prayer**

With awe and wonder before you, O God, we dare to enlist all our efforts toward the realization of your realm. Where there is injustice, we would champion those oppressed and misunderstood. When some feel rejected, we reach out to accept them in Christ's name. May these offerings preach and teach and heal. Amen.

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**~WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD~**

**Anthem**

*"Breathe"*

*Marie Barnett*

**Reading of the Word**

**Epistle**

*1 Corinthians 13: 1-13*

**Gospel**

*Luke 4: 21-30*

**Hymn**

*"Amen, Amen"*

**#2072**

**Message**

*Rev. Michele Ewers*

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**~WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE~**

**A Time For 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

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**~WE GO FORTH TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD~**

**Hymn**            *“Lord I Lift Your Name on High”*            **#2088**

**Sending Forth**

**L:**     God whose voice cascades in and through this place pour out  
your spirited words into our mouths.

**All:**    *May we now journey beyond these walls as prophets speaking  
your truth, disciples showing your way, and companions in  
Christ’s name. Amen.*

**Closing Song**    *“I Have Decided To Follow Jesus”*            **#2129**

**~Bringing The Light Into the World~**

*This mornings Call to Worship, Opening Prayer and Sending Forth  
are from the Seasons of the Spirit.*

*Our Offertory prayer  
is taken from Gathered by Love by Lavon Bayler*

*Other Lectionary Readings for today are:*

*Jeremiah 1:4-10*

*Psalm 71: 1-6*