

## THE WORD

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

The Rev. Dr. Eric Douglass

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalms 119:1-8

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Matthew 5:21-37

SERMON

*Affairs of the Heart*

MUSIC FROM THE BLACK CHURCH #273

*He Is King of Kings*

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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 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.**

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES, OFFERINGS AND COMMITMENTS

OFFERTORY

✦RESPONSE OF THANKSGIVING #607

*Trinitarian Doxology*

✦PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## SENDING

✦HYMN #452

*Open the Eyes of My Heart*

✦CHARGE AND BLESSING

✦POSTLUDE

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**New Hanover**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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# New Hanover Presbyterian Church



*We Seek to Nurture Disciples of Jesus Christ to be Active Witnesses in the World  
to the Good News of God's Transforming Grace in Jesus Christ Our Lord*

The Lord's Day, February 12, 2023

THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN EPIPHANY

## *Saluting Black History Month*

❖ = Please stand in body or in spirit • Unison responses are in **bold print**

Greet each other in the name of Jesus and prepare for worship.

You may use this prayer to assist you in your preparation:

*Dear God, silence all voices within our minds but your own.*

*Help us to seek and be able to follow your will.*

*May our prayers be joined*

*with those of our sisters and brothers in the faith,*

*that together we may glorify your name*

*and enjoy your fellowship forever.*

*In Jesus' name, Amen.*

## **GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER**

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Drew McFayden, Seminary Intern

*Welcome Visitors!* ☩

PRELUDE

REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM

The Rev. Dr. Robert Johnson

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

From Psalm 103

Praise the Lord, my soul;

**Let all that is within me bless God's holy name.**

Praise the Lord, my soul,

**and forget not all God's providence.**

So bless God, you angels,

ready and able to act as God commands,

quick to hear and do as God says.

**Bless God, all you armies of angels,**

**alert to respond to whatever God wills.**

Bless God, all creatures, wherever you are –  
everything and everyone made by GOD.

**And you, O my soul, bless GOD!**

Praise the Lord,

all God's works

everywhere in God's dominion.

**PRAISE THE LORD, MY SOUL.**

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

\*SONG

*Better Is One Day*

CALL TO CONFESSION

Deacon Karen Chandler

CONFESSION OF SIN

**Lord God, forgive us.**

**Unlike the psalmist,**

**when we walk through the shadow of death,**

**we sometimes fear evil.**

**Unlike Paul,**

**we are not always sure that nothing can separate us**

**from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

**Unlike John the apostle,**

**in the midst of injustice**

**we do not always see a new heaven and a new earth.**

**Forgive again, we pray,**

**our feeble use of the faith you give,**

**and restore to us the hope of trust**

**and the trust of hope.**

**We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*(silent prayer)*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE OF PRAISE #670

*From the Rising of the Sun*

\*THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*Exchange the peace of Christ with one another.*