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**Grace Abounds**

**TRINITY**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*A Welcoming Community of  
Compassion & Faith*

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY  
FEBRUARY 2, 2025

**PRELUDE** *Prelude* Frederic Chopin  
Julia Davids, piano

**WELCOME TO TRINITY** Bonnie Barber

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN** *God Is Here* Hymnal № 660

**OPENING PRAYER** (in unison)  
Merciful God, because your grace abounds,  
teach us to trust in your abundance.  
Help us to keep the Sabbath, praise you with grateful hearts,  
and share your blessings freely.  
Grant us the courage to forgive as we are forgiven  
and to risk reconciliation so that we may live as signs of hope  
in a world marked by greed, anxiety, and hostility;  
through your Son Jesus Christ, who is the fullness of your grace,  
and the Holy Spirit, who sustains us in your love. Amen.

**INTERCESSORY PRAYER**  
*After each petition ending "Lord, hear us,"  
please respond saying: "Lord, graciously hear us."*

**PRAYER RESPONSE**

*Take, O Take Me as I Am*

Take, O take me as I am. Sum - mon out what I shall  
 be; set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.

**PSALTER**

Psalm 71:1-6

Hymnal № 794

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Exodus 31:12-17

**SERMON**

“Keeping Sabbath” Rev. Dr. Brian C. Smith

**HYMN**

*Dear Lord and Father of Mankind*

Hymnal № 358

Verses 1,3,4,5

**TRINITY WILMETTE THIS WEEK**

**GIVING OUR TITHES and OFFERINGS**

**Invitation and Prayer of Dedication**

**Offertory**

*Sabbath Prayer* from Fiddler on the Roof

Harnick/Bock, arr. Leavitt

Chancel Choir

May the Lord protect and defend you. May He always shield you from shame. May you come to be in Israel a shining name. May you be like Ruth and like Esther. May you be deserving of praise. Strengthen them, Oh Lord, And keep them from the

strangers' ways. May God bless you and grant you long lives. (May the Lord fulfill our Sabbath prayer for you.) May God make you good mothers and wives. (May He send you husbands who will care for you.) May the Lord protect and defend you. May the Lord preserve you from pain. Favor them, Oh Lord, with happiness and peace. Oh, hear our Sabbath prayer. Amen.

**Doxology**

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Hymnal № 94

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Hymnal № 20

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

**SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP**

**PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**CLOSING HYMN**

*Now Let Us from this Table Rise*

Hymnal № 634

**BENEDICTION and CHORAL AMEN**

**POSTLUDE**

*Finale from Concerto 5*

G. F. Handel