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**Grace Abounds**

**TRINITY**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*A Welcoming Community of  
Compassion & Faith*

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY  
FEBRUARY 16, 2025

**PRELUDE** *Brother James's Air* arr. Searle Wright

**WELCOME TO TRINITY** Diane Roberts

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN** *The God of Abraham Praise* Hymnal № 116

**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."*

## 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.

## 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 1

Hymnal № 738

## SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 12:1-6

## SERMON

“Bestowing Blessings” Rev. Dr. Brian C. Smith

## HYMN

*When the Church of Jesus*

Hymnal № 592

## TRINITY WILMETTE THIS WEEK

## GIVING OUR TITHES and OFFERINGS

### Offertory

*My God Is So High*

arr. Moses Hogan

Matthew Cummings, tenor

Chancel Choir

My God is so high you can't get over him, he's so low you can't get under him, he's so wide you can't get 'round him, you must come in by and through the lamb. One day as I was a walkin' along the heavenly road, my Savior spoke unto me and he filled my heart with his love. *(Refrain)* I'll take my gospel trumpet and I'll begin to blow, and if my Savior helps me I'll blow wherever I'll go. *(Refrain)*

### Doxology

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Hymnal № 94

## PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

### CLOSING HYMN

*Lord Whose Life*

Hymnal № 581

Verses 1,3,4

## BENEDICTION and CHORAL AMEN

### POSTLUDE

*Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals* Sigfrid Karg-Elert