

## The Gathering of God's People

Welcome Janis Castle

Announcements

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Lighting of Candles

\*Gathering Hymns: Tell Me the Stories of Jesus CH #190

Call to Worship

One: Praise the Holy One! Be in awe of God!

Many: **Happy are those who delight in the Holy One's presence!**

One: Fear no evil. Keep your heart firm. Be secure in God!

Many: **Happy are those who delight in the Holy One's protection!**

One: Arise for what is right. Be pursuers of justice.

Many: **Happy are those who delight in the Holy One's power!**

Invocation/Unison Prayer

**Sovereign God, we gather as a community to worship you in spirit and in truth. May we resist empty actions. Let our rituals and routines hold meaning and connect us to you. May we seek an encounter with you to receive your revelation and be transformed, healed, and renewed. Let it be so. Amen.**

## Stewarding Our Resources

Invitation to Generosity and Prayer Dan Johnson

\*Doxology CH #46

## Prayers of the People

Raising of Joys and Concerns

One: Lord, hear our prayer. Many: **And in your love, answer.**

(You're invited to join in saying The Lord's Prayer as we conclude our time of 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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

## Proclamation and Celebration

Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:13-20 Edi Parker

One: The word of the Lord. Many: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon: You Are the Light

## Gathering at the Lord's Table

Hymn: I Am the Light of the World CH #469

Prayer for Transformation and New Life Janet Bohnet

**Righteous One, it is not easy to follow your path. Your way requires sacrifice and intention, resisting cultural norms and societal pressures and abandoning our need to control and to function from our own power. Sometimes, we add complexity in order to assure ourselves it is not possible to be faithful. Yet, your way is simple. Soften our hearts and encourage us to return to the journey with you.**

Words of Assurance

Pastor: God, who is faithful, can redeem our detours and misdirection on the journey for our good and the good of others. God's invitation to covenantal life has no expiration date, and the Holy One receives us with joy and grace when we take even a step toward the kingdom. Amen and Amen

Communion Invitation/Meditation

Communion Prayer

Sharing the Bread and Cup

## Going Forth to Serve

\*Hymn: O, Love that Will Not Let Me Go CH#540

Benediction

Alleluia

## Connecting to ZOOM

**By computer** – use this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2539006523?pwd=WGRkS3J5MTR2VC9oV3pvS250OU03UT09>

**By phone** – Call 253-215-8782.

- (1) Enter the Meeting ID: 253-900-6523.
- (2) Type the “#” key twice.
- (3) Enter the Password: 795979.
- (4) Type the “#” key one more time.

**CH=Chalice Hymnal; CP=Chalice Praise**

**Hearing assistance:** Units are available in the foyer for your convenience. Please ask a greeter to assist you.

**Guests/Visitors:** Please register your attendance today by filling out a “Welcome” card located on the table in the back.

**Prayer Requests** can be filled out on the back of the “Welcome” card located on the back table and placed in the offering box in the foyer.

**Childcare:** Children are welcome to join us in morning worship.

**Bulletins:** Please deposit used bulletins in the recycle basket by the sanctuary doors as you leave. Thank you!

**Sermons on YouTube:** If you happen to miss a sermon, you can hear them via YouTube on our church website at [www.bremertondisciples.org](http://www.bremertondisciples.org).

*“First Christian Church is a community of believers seeking to share the Good News of God’s redeeming love through Jesus Christ with all persons, through care of and service to the congregation, the Kitsap Peninsula and the world.”*

### *Jesus teaches us to be good neighbors*

Thank you for your ongoing generous support of our congregation and our mission partners. You can donate by mailing a check or dropping it into the offering box in the narthex, direct deposit through your bank, or the Vanco Mobile app. Also there is an offering please at the back of the sanctuary.

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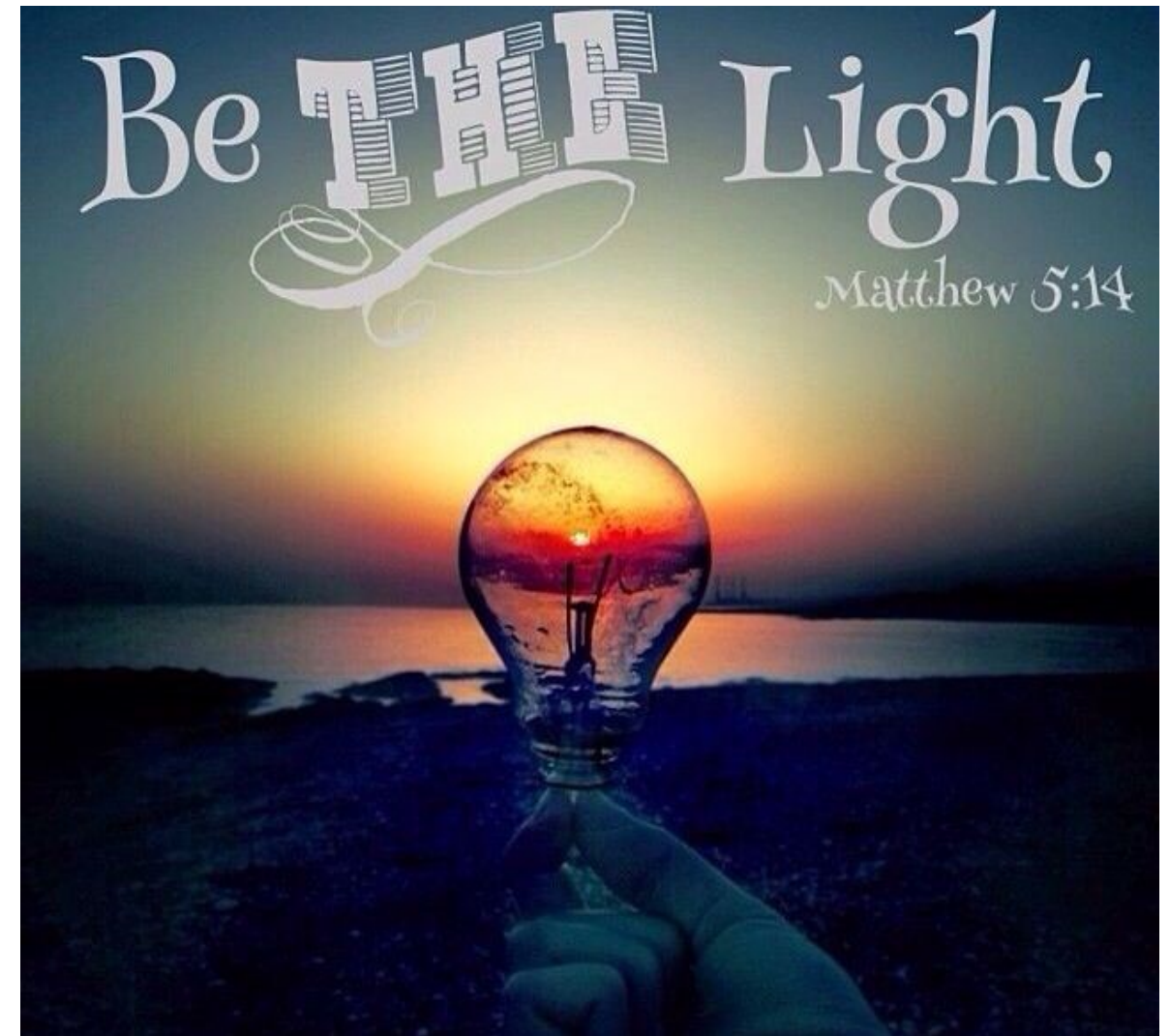
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**Facebook: [facebook.com/bremertondisciples](https://www.facebook.com/bremertondisciples)**

### **Office Hours:**

**Monday - Wednesday, Friday ~ 9:00 am - 3:00 pm**

**Thursday ~ 9:00 a.m. -1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m.**



## **Welcome to Worship**

February 5th, 2023

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

10:30 A.M. Worship

11:30 A.M. Fellowship

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

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## Life in the Church Community This Week

### Today, February 5th

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Following Service: Fellowship Time

### Monday, February 6th

Noon: Afternoon Guild

7:00 p.m. Puget Soundsters

### Tuesday, February 7th

1:00 p.m. Craft and Chat

Contact: Anita Johnson @ 360-674-634

6:30 p.m. Elders' Meeting

### Wednesday, February 8th

10:00 a.m. Prayer Time on Zoom:

Contact: Howard Bever @ 620-397-3184

2:00 p.m. Bible Study (Coffee House)

### Thursday, February 9th

2:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study

4:30 p.m. Search and Call

### Saturday, February 11th

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Coffee in the Kitchen

### Sunday, February 12th

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Following Service: Fellowship Time

Worship Committee Meeting

### Looking ahead:

If you would like to help with Fellowship Time for this coming new year, there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board next to the sanctuary. There are opportunities to serve as a host, with cleanup, serving, and bringing refreshments. If you have any questions please contact Donna Altig.

February 22nd, 4:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service, Zoom will not be provided.

## Scripture Reading for January 29th

### Matthew 5:13-20

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### Prayers/Praises of the People

*Prayers for on-going concerns: Leonard Altig, Jacob Anderson, Terry Bacon (Karen Shefflo's brother), Howard Bever, Margaret Brady, John & Christy Bristow, Evelyn Brittingham, Orlaine Clifton, Shirlee Curley, Ed & Susan Evans, Thelma Gurske-Taylor, Bobby Hall, Deloris Hall, Richard Heller's brother Joseph Heller, Eileen Hendrickson, Barbara Lee, Patti Lewis, Pauline Mueller, Eleanor Ogg, Cheryl O'Shields (Donna Altig's sister), The Reeder family, Bob Parker, Loretta Royal, Rod and Janice Smith, Trent (Art & Cathy Tambur's son-in-law)*

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