CONTEMPLATIVE PRERECORDED SERVICE
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2021 - 5:30 P.M.
THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Officiant: The Rev. Laura F. Gettys | Musician: Benjamin Minden-Birkenmaier, guitar

Virtual Congregation: Please join the Officiant and the Musician in silence and for the lighting of candles including any candles you may light wherever you are.

Welcome The Officiant

After the sound of a bell

Music for Meditation: Excerpts from, Why I’m Not Where You Are (Yes) Benjamin Minden-Birkenmaier

The Collect
Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Meditation offered by The Officiant followed by 30 seconds of silence started and ended with the sound of a bell
Poem from Padraig O Tuama

In-between the sun and moon

In-between the sun and moon,
I sit and watch
and make some room
for letting light and twilight mingle,
shaping hope
and making single glances last eternity,
a little more,
Extending love beyond the doors of welcoming,
while wedding all the parted people,
even sons to violent mothers,
and searching all the others finding light
where twilight lingers,
in-between the sun and moon.

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Candles may be lighted. After the music has ended and the sound of a bell, all say
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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Intercessions and Thanksgivings may be offered in the silence of our hearts

The Blessing
And now, the peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of God’s son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God: Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier, be among us, and remain with us always. Amen.

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The Dismissal The service concludes with the sound of a bell and silence.