

February 5, 2023
Milwaukee Mennonite Church
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

ANABAPTISM AT 500



GATHERING
(Call to Worship VT292 (Luke 4:16-19, 21)
Luke 18:35-43

PRAISING
Song, VT91 We Praise Thee, O God
Song, VT103 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

CONFESSING
VT890
Pass the Peace of Christ

HEARING
Luke 18:31-43
Reflection(s)

RESPONDING
Song, VT736 Hold Us in Your Mercy
Responses to the Spirit's presence
Prayers of the People

SENDING
Announcements
Song, VT816 Guide My Feet

Please wear a mask and stay physically distanced while you are in the church building. Vaccinated speakers may remove their masks at the podium. Join us in singing!

Next Week Tech: Steve J-E Worship: Rachel S
Anabaptist 500 Greeter: **Open**

Luke 18:31-43, Common English Bible (CEB)

31 Jesus took the Twelve aside and said, "Look, we're going up to Jerusalem, and everything written about the Human One[a] by the prophets will be accomplished. **32** He will be handed over to the Gentiles. He will be ridiculed, mistreated, and spit on. **33** After torturing him, they will kill him. On the third day, he will rise up." **34** But the Twelve understood none of these words. The meaning of this message was hidden from them and they didn't grasp what he was saying.

35 As Jesus came to Jericho, a certain blind man was sitting beside the road begging. **36** When the man heard the crowd passing by, he asked what was happening. **37** They told him, "Jesus the Nazarene is passing by." **38** The blind man shouted, "Jesus, Son of David, show me mercy." **39** Those leading the procession scolded him, telling him to be quiet, but he shouted even louder, "Son of David, show me mercy." **40** Jesus stopped and called for the man to be brought to him. When he was present Jesus asked, **41** "What do you want me to do for you?" He said, "Lord, I want to see." **42** Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight! Your faith has healed you." **43** At once he was able to see, and he began to follow Jesus, praising God. When all the people saw it, they praised God too.

Footnotes

a. Or *Son of Man*

Questions for reflection

- What does the passage suggest about God?
- What might/does Jesus have to say about it?
- What does the passage suggest about humans—our possibilities and mistakes?
- How do you live differently because of this passage?
- What questions remain with you?