

SERVICE of WORSHIP
Setting 2 from Lutheran Book of Worship

THE PRELUDE
ANNOUNCEMENTS
BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(silence for reflection and self examination)

Most merciful God,

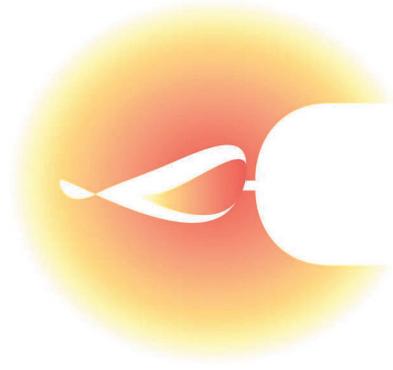
We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

February 13, 2022

The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany



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1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. His cross stands
 2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound To dis - tant
 3 Not throned a - far, re - mote - ly high, Un - touched, un -
 4 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, Where col - or,

emp - ty in by or wealth di - vide, He suf - fers still, yet
 to the sky. Let streets and homes with
 Pal - es - tine, He comes to claim the
 hu - man pains, But dai - ly, in the
 the

prais - es ring. In death his love shall nev - er die.
 here and now And con - quer ev - 'ry place and time.
 midst of life, Our Sav - ior with the Fa - ther reigns.
 loves the more, And lives, though ev - er cru - ci - fied.

5 Christ is alive! Ascended Lord—
 He rules the world his Father made,
 Till, in the end, his love adored
 Shall be to all on earth displayed.

THE GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the
 communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

THE KYRIE

A In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

G Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - va - tion, let us pray to the Lord.

G Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,

and for the uni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.

G Lord, have mer - cy.

A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord.

G Lord, have mer - cy.

A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.

G A - - - men

THE HYMN OF PRAISE



A This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



G Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength, and



hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -



lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of



God and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to



God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al -



le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

THE SALUTATION



P The Lord be with you.



G And al - so with you.

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray...

Lord God, mercifully receive the prayers of your people. Help us to see and understand the things we ought to do, and give us grace and power to do them; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

CHOIR ANTHEM: *We Know that Christ Is Raised*

THE FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 17:5-10

⁵ Thus says the LORD:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the LORD. ⁶ They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes.

They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

⁷ Blessed are those who trust in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD.

⁸ They shall be like a tree planted by water,

sending out its roots by the stream.
 It shall not fear when heat comes,
 and its leaves shall stay green;
 in the year of drought it is not anxious,
 and it does not cease to bear fruit.
 9 The heart is devious above all else;
 it is perverse—
 who can understand it?
 10 I the LORD test the mind
 and search the heart,
 to give to all according to their ways,
 according to the fruit of their doings.

THE PSALM *Psalms 1*

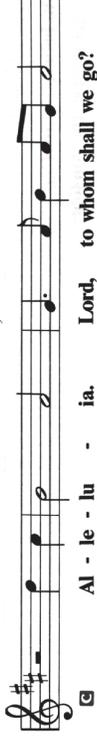
- 1 Happy are they who have not walked
 in the counsel of the wicked,
 nor lingered in the way of sinners,
 nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- 2 **Their delight is
 in the law of the LORD,
 and they meditate on his law
 day and night.**
- 3 They are like trees
 planted by streams of water,
 bearing fruit in due season,
 with leaves that do not wither;
 everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 **It is not so with the wicked;
 they are like chaff
 which the wind blows away.**
- 5 Therefore the wicked
 shall not stand upright
 when judgment comes,
 nor the sinner
 in the council of the righteous.
- 6 **For the LORD knows
 the way of the righteous,
 but the way of the wicked is doomed.**

THE SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

12 Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? 13 If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; 14 and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. 15 We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—who he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. 16 For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. 17 If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. 18 Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. 19 If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.
 20 But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: “Alleluia, Lord to Whom Shall We Go”




THE GOSPEL ANNOUNCEMENT

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 6th chapter.



THE GOSPEL

Luke 6:17-26

17 He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. 18 They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. 19 And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.
 20 Then he looked up at his disciples and said:
 “Blessed are you who are poor,
 for yours is the kingdom of God.
 21 “Blessed are you who are hungry now,
 for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now,
 for you will laugh.
 22 “Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you,
 revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. 23 Rejoice in
 that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for
 that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.
 24 “But woe to you who are rich,
 for you have received your consolation.
 25 “Woe to you who are full now,
 for you will be hungry.
 “Woe to you who are laughing now,
 for you will mourn and weep.
 26 “Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their
 ancestors did to the false prophets.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

THE SERMON

HYMN: “Canticle of the Turning”

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Canticle of the Turning

1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the
 2 Though I am small, my . . . God, my all, you . . .
 3 From the halls of pow'r to the for - tress tow'r, not a
 4 Though the na - tions rage from . . . age to age, we re -

God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the
 work great . . . things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the
 stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your
 mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -

won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.
 depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
 jus - tice tears ev - ry ty - rant . . . from his throne.
 liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp.

You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my
 The hun - gry name puts the proud to shame, and to
 This sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the

weak - ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my
 those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the
 food they can nev - er earn: there are ta - bles spread, ev - ry
 prom - ise which holds us bound, till the spear and rod can be

name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?
 strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.
 mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.
 crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.

Refrain

My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus - tice burn.

Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.
 I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
 He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
 and born of the virgin Mary,
 He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried.
 He descended into hell.
 On the third day he rose again.
 He ascended into heaven,
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father,
 He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

THE OFFERING

THE OFFERTORY: "Let the Vineyards"

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our

cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that

we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and

dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble

with your pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

Blessed are you,

O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

THE SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of

pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come,
 your will be done,
 on earth as in heaven.
 Give us today our daily bread;
 Forgive us our sins,
 as we forgive those
 who sin against us;
 Save us from the time of trial
 and deliver us from evil.
 For the kingdom, the power,
 and the glory are yours,
 now and forever. Amen

THE AGNUS DEI: "Lamb of God"

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

THE DISTRIBUTION

HYMN: "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"

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1 Where cross the crowd - ed ways of life, Where sound the
 2 In haunts of wretch - ed - ness and need, On shad - owed
 3 From ten - der child - hood's help - less - ness, From hu - man
 4 The cup of wa - ter giv'n for you Still holds the

cries of race and clan, A - bove the noise of
 thresh-olds dark with fears, From paths where hide the
 grief and bur - dened toil, From fam - ished souls, from
 fresh - ness of your grace; Yet long these mul - ti -

self - ish strife, We hear your voice, O Son of Man.
 lures of greed, We catch the vi - sion of your tears.
 sor - row's stress, Your heart has nev - er known re - coil.
 tudes to view The strong com - pas - sion in your face.

5 O Master, from the mountainside
 Make haste to heal these hearts of pain;
 Among these restless throngs abide;
 Oh, tread the city's streets again;

6 Till all the world shall learn your love,
 And follow where your feet have trod;
 Till glorious from your heav'n above,
 Shall come the city of our God.

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

1 Sent forth by God's bless - ing, Our true faith con - fess - ing, The
 2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing To God ev - er - liv - ing, The

peo - ple of God from his dwell - ing take leave.
 tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will face.

The sup - per is end - ed. Oh, now be ex - tend - ed The
 Our faith ev - er shar - ing, In love ev - er car - ing, Em -

fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve. The
 brac - ing his chil - dren of each tribe and race. With

seed of his teach - ing, Re - cep - tive souls reach - ing, Shall
 your feast you feed us, With your light now lead us; U -

blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all. His
 nite us as one in this life that we share. Then

grace did in - vite us, His love shall u - nite us To
 may all the liv - ing With praise and thanks - giv - ing Give

work for God's king - dom and an - swer his call.
 hon - or to Christ and his name that we bear.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev - 'ry - one what
he has done. Let ev - 'ry - one who seeks the Lord re -
joice and proud - ly bear his name. He re - calls his prom - is -
es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -
giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

THE BENEDICTION

THE DISMISSAL

THE POSTLUDE