

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 12, 2023

Divine Setting Two

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

HYMN OF INVOCATION

698 May We Thy Precepts, Lord, Fulfill

- 1 May we Thy precepts, Lord, fulfill And do on earth our Father's will As angels do above; Still walk in Christ, the living way, With all Thy children and obey The law of Christian love.
- 2 So may we join Thy name to bless,
 Thy grace adore, Thy pow'r confess,
 From sin and strife to flee.
 One is our calling, one our name,
 The end of all our hopes the same,
 A crown of life with Thee.
- Spirit of life, of love and peace,
 Unite our hearts, our joy increase,
 Thy gracious help supply.
 To each of us the blessing give
 In Christian fellowship to live,
 In joyful hope to die.

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(Stand)

(The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.)

- P In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C 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 on God's Word and for self-examination.)

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

INTROIT

Psalm 98:7-9; antiphon: v. 2

The LORD has made known his sal- | vation;* he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the | nations.

Let the sea roar, and all that | fills it;*
the world and those who | dwell in it!

Let the rivers clap their hands; let the hills sing for joy together be- | fore the LORD,*

for he comes to | judge the earth.

He will judge the world with | righteousness,* and the peoples with | equity.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

The LORD has made known his sal- | vation;*

he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the | nations.

KYRIE LSB 168

- **A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.

- A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE – THIS IS THE FEAST

LSB 171

- A This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.
- Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

Power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and blessing and glory are His.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia, alleluia.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- A The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- A Let us pray.
- O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(Sit)

ANTHEM

"Bless His Holy Name" Parish Adult Choir, Faith Ringers Sheppherd

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Deuteronomy 30:15-20 ¹⁵"See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. 16 If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you today, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

- This is the Word of the Lord.
- \mathbf{C} Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Psalm 117:1-2a: 96:8

A Praise the LORD, all | nations!* Extol him, all | peoples!

For great is his steadfast | love toward us,* and the faithfulness of the LORD endures for- I ever.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;* bring an offering, and come in- to his courts! **EPISTLE**

1 Corinthians 3:1–9

¹But I, brothers, could not address you as spiritual people, but as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. ²I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for it. And even now you are not yet ready, ³for you are still of the flesh. For while there is jealousy and strife among you, are you not of the flesh and behaving only in a human way? ⁴For when one says, "I follow Paul," and another, "I follow Apollos," are you not being merely human?

⁵What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you believed, as the Lord assigned to each. ⁶I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. ⁷So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. ⁸He who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his wages according to his labor. ⁹For we are God's fellow workers. You are God's field, God's building.

- **I** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

COMMON ALLELUIA AND VERSE

LSB 173

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 5:21–37

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.
- G Glory to You, O Lord.

²¹[Jesus said:] "You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.' ²²But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his

brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, 'You fool!' will be liable to the hell of fire. ²³So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, ²⁴leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. ²⁵Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison. ²⁶Truly, I say to you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

²⁷"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' ²⁸But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart. ²⁹If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body be thrown into hell. ³⁰And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body go into hell.

³¹"It was also said, 'Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.' ³²But I say to you that everyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of sexual immorality, makes her commit adultery. And whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

³³"Again you have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not swear falsely, but shall perform to the Lord what you have sworn.' ³⁴But I say to you, Do not take an oath at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, ³⁵or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. ³⁶And do not take an oath by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. ³⁷Let what you say be simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything more than this comes from evil."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life

everlasting. Amen.

(Sit)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Michael Yurk, D.C.E.

HYMN OF THE DAY

843 "Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive"

1 "Forgive our sins as we forgive," You taught us, Lord, to pray; But You alone can grant us grace To live the words we say.

- 2 How can Your pardon reach and bless The unforgiving heart That broods on wrongs and will not let Old bitterness depart?
- 3 In blazing light Your cross reveals
 The truth we dimly knew:
 What trivial debts are owed to us,
 How great our debt to You!
- 4 Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls And bid resentment cease; Then, bound to all in bonds of love, Our lives will spread Your peace.

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SERMON Born from Above So May Our Hearts Come Up Higher

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- **A** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A That almighty God, who receives the praise of seas and rivers, would keep us in the baptismal grace He has given us by water and the Word, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A For maturity of faith, that our Father in heaven would bless pastors, teachers, parents and all who teach His Word; and that He would give us a constant desire to hear and obey it, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.

- A For peace, that God, who condemns unrighteous anger as murderous and who has saved us from His righteous anger by the death of His Son, would move us to repentance and reconciliation, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A For purity of heart and mind, that the Lord who created us would deliver us from lustful thoughts and the evil of pornography so that we may lead a sexually pure and decent life in what we say and do, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A For integrity, that the Author of truth would preserve us from false oaths and strengthen us to acknowledge His Word and do what He commands, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A For the rulers of our nation, that the Lord, who judges all peoples in righteousness and equity, would endow them with wisdom so that we are preserved from unjust division and enabled to live in peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A For the suffering, especially Ken, Tori, Deb, Jay, Betsy, Margaret, Bill Phillips, Nancy, Tom, Dawn, Sue and Rick, that the Lord, our life, would sustain and strengthen them; and for those who mourn, that the Lord would console them with the promise of everlasting life in Christ, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A Holy Father, we pray that by the power of the Holy Spirit You will bless the Word that will be proclaimed in the approaching God Connects class starting on March 5th. In

Your boundless love for the world You sent Your only Son as Savior. Bless our Faith family to reach out to the men and women in our community, and give them willing hearts to hear Your Word. Let us pray to the Lord:

- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- A To Him we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

OFFERING "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" Kuehlmann Marilyn Vogel – clarinet; Bethany Olsen – trumpet

OFFERTORY LSB 176

What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me? I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,

in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

(Stand)

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

PREFACE LSB 177

- P The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.

- P Lift up your hearts.
- **©** We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS LSB 178

Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

LORD'S PRAYER

LSB 179

- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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
forever and ever. Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My → body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My

→ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI LSB 180

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

(Sit)

DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

790 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear
Now to His temple draw near,

Joining in glad adoration!

2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.

Have you not seen

All that is needful has been

Sent by His gracious ordaining?

3 Praise to the Lord, who has fearfully, wondrously, made you, Health has bestowed and, when heedlessly falling, has stayed you.

What need or grief
Ever has failed of relief?
Wings of His mercy did shade you.

4 Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you; Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.

Ponder anew

What the Almighty can do

As with His love He befriends you.

5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen

Sound from His people again;

Gladly forever adore Him!

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DISMISSAL

- The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart

 in peace.
- Amen.

(Stand)

THANK THE LORD

LSB 181

Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.

Let ev'ryone who seeks the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.

He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

- Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

BENEDICTION LSB 183

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

394 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

- 1 Songs of thankfulness and praise, Jesus, Lord, to Thee we raise, Manifested by the star To the sages from afar, Branch of royal David's stem In Thy birth at Bethlehem: Anthems be to Thee addressed, God in man made manifest.
- 2 Manifest at Jordan's stream, Prophet, Priest, and King supreme; And at Cana wedding guest In Thy Godhead manifest; Manifest in pow'r divine, Changing water into wine; Anthems be to Thee addressed, God in man made manifest.
- 3 Manifest in making whole Palsied limbs and fainting soul; Manifest in valiant fight, Quelling all the devil's might; Manifest in gracious will, Ever bringing good from ill; Anthems be to Thee addressed, God in man made manifest.
- 4 Sun and moon shall darkened be, Stars shall fall, the heav'ns shall flee; Christ will then like lightning shine, All will see His glorious sign; All will then the trumpet hear, All will see the Judge appear;

Thou by all wilt be confessed, God in man made manifest.

5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Present in Thy holy Word—
Grace to imitate Thee now
And be pure, as pure art Thou;
That we might become like Thee
At Thy great epiphany
And may praise Thee, ever blest,
God in man made manifest.

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☆ THE WORSHIP IS ENDED. LET THE SERVICE BEGIN. ❖

THOSE ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE

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Lector
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The chancel flowers today have been placed by Ruth Heichelbeck in memory of her husband, Jerry.

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YouTube Channel

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