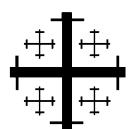
Epiphany VI

16 February 2025

9:30 am



The Liturgy at Calvary



Blessings and curses abound on the sixth Sunday after Epiphany. We would do well to listen closely to whom the "blessed ares" and the "woe tos" are directed and to find our place in the crowd among those who desire to touch Jesus. The risen Christ stands among

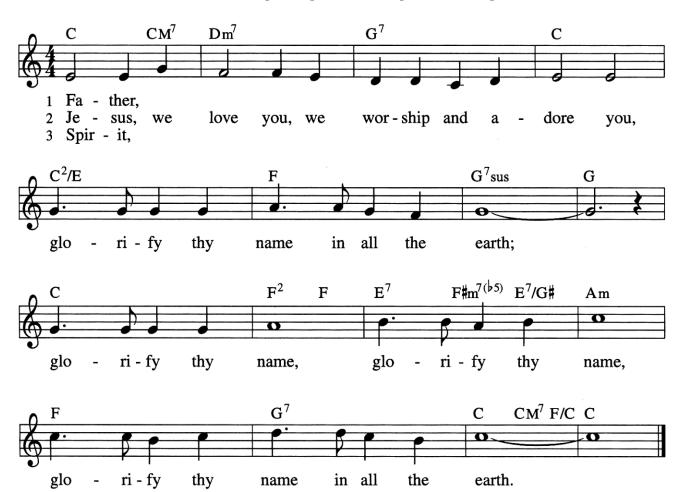
us in the mystery of the holy supper with an invitation to live in him, and offers power to heal us all.

Please stand and face the Baptismal Font

Prelude Softly and Tenderly, Jesus is Calling

William L. Thompson - 1847-1909

Penetential Rite Glorify Thy Name (W&P 42)



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. ...those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the LORD ...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 (Jeremiah 17:5-6,10).

Silence is kept for confession and reflection

- L Most merciful God,
- C Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting (Psalm 139:23-24).
- L Blessed are those who trust in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. 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 (Jeremiah 17:7-8).

Reprise Glorify Thy Name

Apostolic Greeting

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

Kyrie Eleison



Hymn of Praise



Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you

C And also with you

P Let us pray... Living God, in Christ you make all things new. Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

Please sit for today's readings from scripture

First Reading Jeremiah 17:5-10

⁵Thus says the LORD:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the LORD.

⁶They 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.

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

⁸They 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.

⁹The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse— who can understand it?

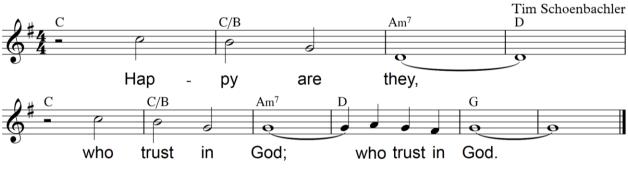
¹⁰I the LORD test the mind and search the heart,

to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

L The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God

Psalm 1 Cantors sing refrain, all echo & sing ff. verses



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1. Blessed are the spirit poor, for the kingdom of God is theirs. Blessed are those who mourn: they shall be comforted.

Refrain

2. Blest are those who thirst for what is just: for they shall be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful: mercy shall be theirs.

Refrain

3. Blessed are the pure of heart: they shall see the face of God. Blessed are those who make peace: they shall be called the children of God. **Refrain**

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

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

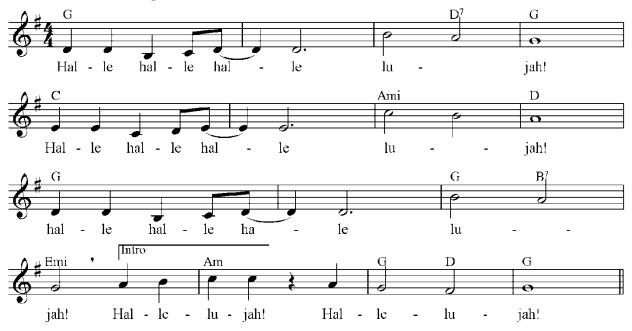
²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

L The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God

Please stand for the Holy Gospel

Alleluia & Gospel Acclamations



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

C Glory to you, O Lord!

¹⁷[Jesus] came down with [the twelve] 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. ¹⁸They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. ¹⁹And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

²⁰Then 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. ²³Rejoice 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."

P The Gospel of Our Lord

C Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon Pastor Kyle Rouze

Hymn of the Day When the Poor Ones (ELW 725)



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Creed

A Let us profess the faith in which we are Baptized.

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

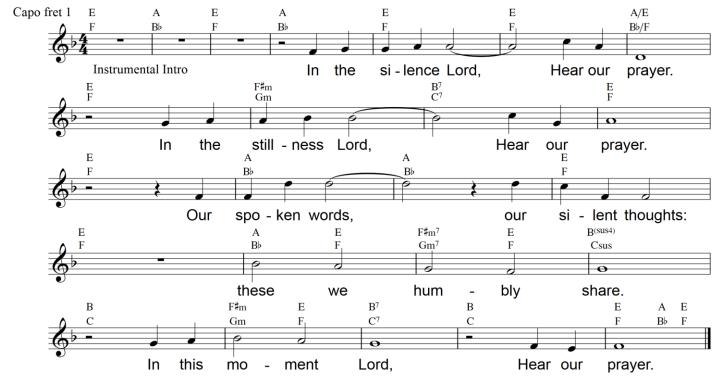
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

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

Prayers of Intercession

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



after each prayer petition

A Lord in your mercy, **C Hear our prayer.** *concluding with*

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

C Amen.

Peace

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

Offertory

His Eye is on the Sparrow
Civilla Martin, Charles H. Gabriel
arr. Jack Schrader Sanctuary Choir

Why should I feel discouraged? Why should the shadows come? Why should my heart be lonely, and long for heav'n and home, when Jesus is my portion? My constant Friend is He: For His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me; His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.

I sing because I'm happy, I sing because I'm free! For His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.

"Let not your heart be troubled," His tender words I hear, And resting on His goodness, I lose my doubt and fear.

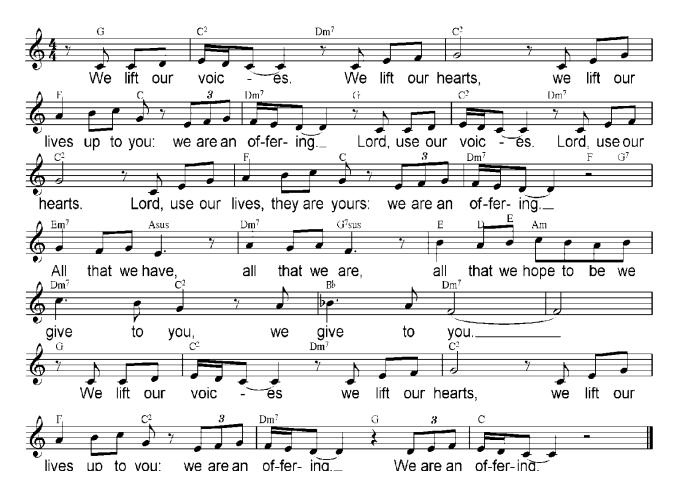
Though on the path, He leads me, O, just one step I see, For His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me; His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.

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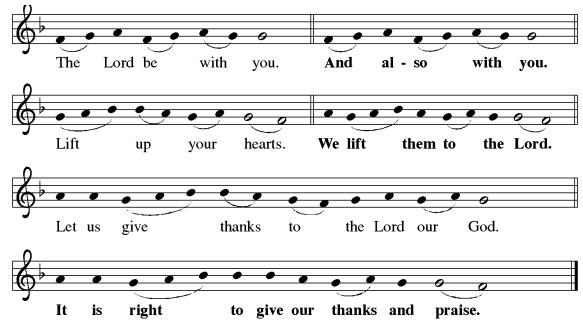


Please stand as our gifts are offered, singing:



- A Let us pray. Merciful Father,
- C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving



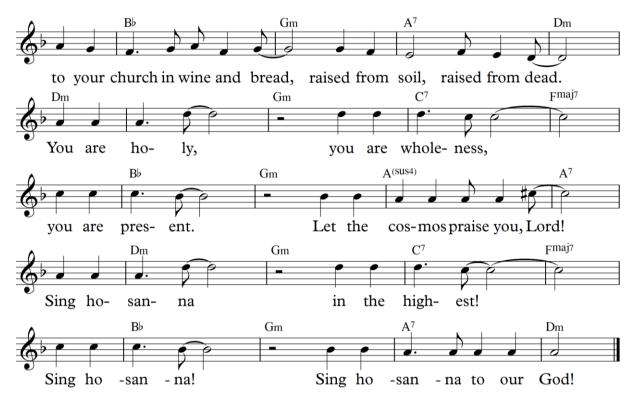
P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, Almighty and merciful God through our savior, Jesus Christ,

Who sharing our life, lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to your own brilliant Light

And so with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus & Benedictus [Latin, Holy & Blessed]

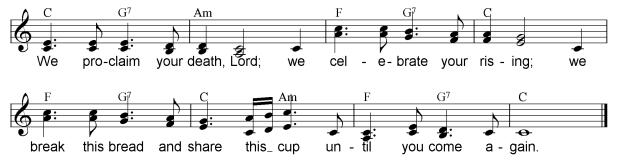




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Eucharistic Prayer

Eucharistic Acclamation



- P Remember us in your kingdom, O Lord, and teach us to pray.
- C 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.
- P Body of Christ given for you. Blood of Christ shed for you.

Agus Dei [Latin, Lamb of God]





Holy Communion

In-Person: We commune at the Altar. Ushers will guide. Wine is Red Grape Juice is White Gluten-free wafers available upon request.

Online at Home: If you have elements at home, commune with those in attendance at the same time. We encourage you to communion each other and bless children who have not received First Communion. Consider giving this blessing:

"Know that the promises of Jesus's love are for you."

One or more of the following songs may be sung during distribution of the Sacrament:

We Come to the Hungry Feast (ELW 479)



Text: Ray Makeever, b. 1943

Music: HUNGRY FEAST, Ray Makeever, b. 1943

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Light Dawns On a Weary World (ELW 726)



Text: Mary Louise Bringle, b. 1953

Music: TEMPLE OF PEACE 7 6 7 7 8, William P. Rowan, b. 1951

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P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

C Amen

Post Communion Canticle



A Let us pray... Nourishing God, at this table you have refreshed us with holy gifts of food and drink. Strengthen us for service, and send us out to embody your good news of liberation and healing for the sake of the world. In the name of Christ we pray,

C Amen

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ♣ give you peace.

C Amen

Sending We Know That Christ Is Risen (ELW 449)



Text: John B. Geyer, b. 1932 Music: ENGELBERG, Charles V. Stanford, 1852–1924 Text © John B. Geyer.

A Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

Postlude The Silver Trumpet Gilbert M. .Martin, b. 1941

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Live Stream	Christian Wilson

Viktor Andersson, piano & vocals

Debbie Villavicencio, organ

Toni Tharp, flute & vocals

Jacob Groening, trumpet, vocals

Karen Moxley, violin, vocals David Lakota, bass

Christy Gibson, Pete Moxley, vocals

Dale Taylor, Janet Thorpe, Chris Williams, guitar, vocals

Robert Morris, Paul Slezak, trombone, vocals

John Michael Slezak, tuba, whistle, vocals

Blake Kitch, percussion, vocals

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Commemorations This Week

Martin Luther, renewer of the church, died 1546 Tuesday, February 18, 2025

Though he began his adult church life as a simple Augustinian monk, Luther challenged the abuses he saw in the church, and his work eventually led to the Protestant Reformation. Luther's accomplishments included liturgical reform, translation of the Bible, and creation of the Small and Large Catechisms.