

+ SIXTH SUNDAY IN EPIPHANY +  
February 13, Year of our Lord 2022 | Divine Service 2

+ Confession and Absolution +

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

**Invocation**

*Matthew 28:19b; 18:20*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**Exhortation**

*1 John 1:8–9*

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** **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.*

**Confession of Sins**

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **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.**

**Absolution**

*[John 20:19–23]*

**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 119:1-2, 4-5; antiphon: v. 7*



**P** I will praise you with an | upright heart,\*  
when I learn your just and righ- | teous decrees.

**C** **Blessèd are those whose way is | blameless,\***  
**who walk in the law | of the LORD!**

Blessèd are those who keep his testi- | monies,\*  
who seek him with their | whole heart.

**You have commanded your | precepts\***  
**to be kept dil- | igently.**

Oh that my ways may be | steadfast\*  
in keeping your | statutes!

**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.**

I will praise you with an | upright heart,\*  
when I learn your just and righ- | teous decrees.

## Kyrie ~ Lord, Have Mercy

*Mk. 10:47*

- A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- 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.
- A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**C** 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.

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And al - so with you.

**P** 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.

**C** A - men.

**Old Testament Reading**

*Jeremiah 17:5–8*

Thus says the LORD:  
 “Cursed is the man who trusts in man  
 and makes flesh his strength,  
 whose heart turns away from the LORD.  
 He is like a shrub in the desert,  
 and shall not see any good come.  
 He shall dwell in the parched places of the wilderness,

in an uninhabited salt land.  
“Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD,  
whose trust is the LORD.  
He is like a tree planted by water,  
that sends out its roots by the stream,  
and does not fear when heat comes,  
for its leaves remain green,  
and is not anxious in the year of drought,  
for it does not cease to bear fruit.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

### Gradual

*Psalm 117:1–2a; 96:8*

**C** **Praise the LORD, all nations!**  
**Extol him, all peoples!**  
**For great is his steadfast love toward us,**  
**and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.**  
**Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;**  
**bring an offering, and come into his courts!**

### Epistle

*1 Corinthians 15:1–20*

Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not

been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If in this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Verse of the Day

*Luke 6:23a*

**P** Alleluia. Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven. Alleluia.

## Alleluia and Verse

*John 6:68*



**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

*Luke 6:17–26*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixth chapter.



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

[Jesus] 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 and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. And those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all the crowd sought to touch him, for power came out from him and healed them all.

And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said:



“Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

“Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you shall be satisfied.

“Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh.

“Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you and revile you and spurn your name as evil, on account of the Son of Man! Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets.

“But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

“Woe to you who are full now, for you shall be hungry.

“Woe to you who laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep.

“Woe to you, when all people speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

### Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life  $\dagger$  of the world to come. Amen.

## Hymn of the Day: 932 Jesus Sat with His Disciples



1 Je - sus sat with His dis - ci - ples On a  
 2 "Bless-ed are the meek and hum - ble, All the  
 3 "Bless-ed are God's sons and daugh - ters, Mak - ing



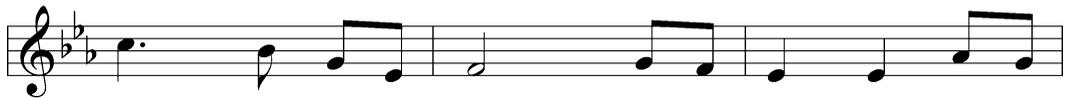
moun - tain - side one day; As the crowds of peo-ple  
 earth to them is willed. Those who hun - ger to be  
 peace where there is strife. Bless - ed are the per - se -



gath - ered, He be - gan to teach and say:  
 ho - ly, They are bless'd and will be filled.  
 cut - ed, Who for righ - teous - ness lose life;



"Bless-ed are the poor in spir - it, Heav - en's  
 Yes, the mer - ci - ful are bless - ed, Mer - cy  
 Their re - ward is great in heav - en, In the



king - dom they will share. Bless-ed are the sad and  
 will to them be shown. And the pure in heart are  
 king - dom up a - bove— So be glad to share My



mourn - ing, Joy and com - fort will be theirs.  
 bless - ed, They have eyes for God a - lone.  
 suf - f'ring And re - joice to know My love."

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+ Sermon +

## Offertory

*Psalm 116:12–13, 17–19*



**C** What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e-fits to



me? I will of - fer the sac - ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-



va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo - ple, in the



courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

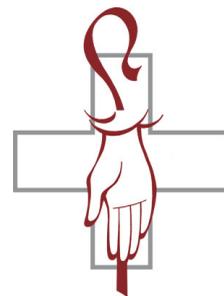
## Announcement of Offering and Greeting of Peace

*Following the prayers, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).*

## Prayers to God on Behalf of...

World: Troubled regions of the world. Church: Epiphany celebration and beholding the places in word and world where God was manifest for us.

Expecting a child: **Luke & Blair Johnson** Recently born: **Addilyn Christianson** (Gretchen's niece's newborn daughter); **Grace** and **Callie** (Smolter's extended family): newborns now home from hospital.



**Alex and Shelby Hicks** (Praising God for the news of a welcome pregnancy, but then soon after their rejoicing turned to sorrow—now mourning the loss in miscarriage; have named the child Jude).

Mourning: Family of **Tamra Kincaid DeHaven** (who passed 1/23). Family of **Jim Vesper** (Jim's father passed away 1/13-14). Family of LCMS **Pastor Don Schmidt** of Messiah Lutheran Church in Memphis who died from covid. Family of **Joyce** (Meghan Collver's grandmother): who passed away from covid pneumonia. Family of **Sherrie Wheat**: who passed away from covid pneumonia. Family of **Bruce Weirauch** (Vicky Gorman's uncle), especially Robin his wife. Family and friends of **Claudette Kinney** who passed on 11/23. Family of **Imogene Allen** who passed on 11/25.

Health: Aurora's son **Stevie** (terminal cancer) and granddaughter **Erica** (emergency heart surgery recovery). Kenna Chorney's parents, **Don & Gail Rieman** (health, lingering issues from covid). **Marvin** (Jim Vesper's friend) good progress recovering from an auto accident. **Dick Mohr** (thanksgiving for recovery from covid). **Lisa Gift's sister** in Ohio (health). **Rayland Greene** (Jim Vespers's friend's grandson, 3.5 months old—still in the womb, mother's water broke way too early). **Camebre Pearl** (Carol Ehren's granddaughter): facing surgery to correct a rare malformation. **Cathy Wacker's parents: Charlene** (hospice), **Bill**, dementia, health. **Anna Roberts** (Jim & Maureen's daughter-in-law—married to Travis) cancer surgery recovery. **Christy**, Kim Smolter's cousin, health and mourning. **Lee Schuck** (broken hip recovery). **Pam Truby** (upcoming cancer treatments); **Larry Wacker** (lung condition). **Tim Smith** health. **Pastor Tony Sikora** (in Michigan, much recovery needed aftereffects of Covid). **Marge Peterson** (a friend of Jeanne Lindenfelser) [Marge's] **cousin** Sandy who has 30 days of cancer radiation treatments and for Marge's two **greatgrandchildren** who both are having seizures. **KP Blizzard** (newborn great grandson of Sandy Bagley) paralyzed vocal cord. **Larry & Janeen Meier** (Maureen's sister and brother-in-law ) health. **Carolyn Gaugert** (sister-in-law to Sharon Yoder) pancreatic cancer (recent MRI showed no tumors).

**Birthdays** ... Ed B 2/18, Emi Hogan 2/26

**Anniversaries** ... [Corrected date:] Doug & Ehdel H 2/8, Tim & Lori S 2/12, Bob & Rhonda H 2/18, Luke & Blair J 2/22

### Lord's Prayer

*Matthew 6:9–13*

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom 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.**

**Benediction for those worshipping via the livestream**

## + *Service of the Sacrament* +

### **A Word to Our Guests and Visitors about Communion at Praise**

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very Body and Blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death and resurrection until He comes. Scripture warns that those who come forward to eat and drink our Lord's Body and Blood in an unworthy manner do so to their great spiritual harm. The Lord's Supper is also a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar. Therefore, any who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet to desire to receive the Sacrament (Communion), are encouraged to seek guidance from the pastor.

### **Preface, p.177**

**P** The Lord be with you.

*2 Tim. 4:22*



**C** And al-so with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

*Col. 3:1*



**C** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*Psalms 136*



**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

### Proper Preface

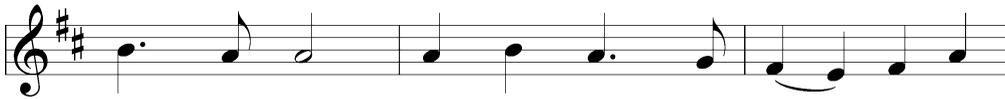
**P** It is truly good, right, and ... praising You and saying:

### Sanctus

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



**C** 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



### Prayer of Thanksgiving

**P** Blessed are You, ...now and forever. **C** 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  $\text{†}$  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  $\text{†}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

### Proclamation of Christ

**P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

**P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

### Pax Domini

*John 20:19*



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**C** A - men.

# Agnus Dei

John 1:29



**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the



sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of



God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us peace, grant us peace.

Distribution Hymn: 622 Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared

Distribution Hymn: 394 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

Hymn: 557 Seek Where You May to Find a Way

Hymn: 923 Almighty Father, Bless the Word

# Thank the Lord

[Psalm 105:1-3, 42-43]; [1 Chronicles 16:8-10]



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev - 'ry-one what



He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -

joy 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 Collect**

**A** Let us pray. We give thanks to You, ... now and forever.

**C** A - men.

**Benediction**

*Numbers 6:24–26*

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
 The Lord make His face shine on you  
 and be gracious to you.  
 The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C** A - men.

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## Announcements

**Youth Catechesis** meets TODAY, Feb 13 after church and will end at 1:30 p.m.

**Choir** meets this Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.

**Youth Group** meets this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

**YOUTH February RETREAT** on Feb 18-20 at “Stairway to Heaven” Cabin in Townsend! Accommodates up to 12. Please RSVP with Alex and Shelby Hicks. Suggested donation of \$20.00 per person to help cover food and help offset cabin rental.

**Ladies Bible Study** this Thurs at 10:00 a.m. at Praise (pericope study led by Barbara Morsch)

**Men’s Lunch** (weekly): Thurs. at 11:30 a.m. Location this week: *Subs n Such*

**Elders** will meet Thurs. at 7:00 p.m.

**Build Team** will meet at 1:30 p.m. on Wed, Feb 16

**Voters** will meet between services on Sun, Feb 20 to elect officers and board members whose terms begin on Mar 1, 2022 and to review year end financials and reports.

**Deaconess Pamela** (and husband Dennis) from Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Rocklin, CA will be visiting us on Feb 20 and to present on mission work in Kenya. (Presentation will be between services, after Voters meeting.)

**Young Adults (18ish to 25ish) Bible Study** will meet next Sunday, Feb 20 at 5:00 p.m. with dinner, hangout, and a study led by Levi. Location is Levi & Suzanne Nunnink’s home: 1416 Lonas Dr. Maryville, TN 37803

**The Transfiguration of our Lord** (the final Sunday after Epiphany) is Feb 27. Ash Wednesday (the beginning of Lent) will be Mar 2.