

The Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday, February 12, 2023

The Liturgy of the Word

Welcome to Holy Apostles! This bulletin is your guide to worship and it has all that you need. Our worship is taken from the Book of Common Prayer. If you have any questions during the Liturgy, don't hesitate to ask an usher or a neighbor.

Prelude & Introit

Welcome & Announcements

Processional Hymn H - 616 Hail to the Lord's Anointed *Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*

**Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's greater Son!
Hail, in the time appointed, his reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free;
To take away transgression, and rule in equity.**

**He comes with succor speedy to those who suffer wrong,
To help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong;
To give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light
Whose souls, condemned and dying, were precious in his sight.**

**He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth,
And love, joy, hope, like flowers, spring in his path to birth:
Before him on the mountains shall peace, the herald, go;
And righteousness in fountains from hill to valley flow.**

The Collect for Purity

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria H-119

Dix

**As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold;
As with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beaming bright;
So most gracious Lord, may we evermore be led to thee.**

**As with joyful steps they sped to that lowly manger-bed;
There to bend the knee before him whom heaven and earth adore;**

So may we with willing feet ever seek the mercy-seat.

**As they offered gifts most rare at that manger rude and bare;
So may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring, Christ! To thee, our heavenly King.**

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Please be seated for the lessons

First Lesson **read by Laura Tyszka**

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Moses said, "See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob."

After the reading

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 119:1-8

Read in unison

Beati immaculati

Happy are they whose way is blameless, *
 who walk in the law of the Lord!
Happy are they who observe his decrees *
 and seek him with all their hearts!
Who never do any wrong, *
 but always walk in his ways.
You laid down your commandments, *
 that we should fully keep them.
Oh, that my ways were made so direct *
 that I might keep your statutes!
Then I should not be put to shame, *
 when I regard all your commandments.
I will thank you with an unfeigned heart, *
 when I have learned your righteous judgments.
I will keep your statutes; *
 do not utterly forsake me.

Second Lesson**read by Peter Saghir****1 Corinthians 3:1-9**

Brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations? For when one says, "I belong to Paul," and another, "I belong to Apollos," are you not merely human?

What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each. For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

*After the reading**Reader* The word of the Lord.*People* **Thanks be to God.***All stand for the Gospel procession and reading***Sequence Hymn: H 135 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise (verses 1, 2 & 4) Salzburg****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 us made manifest.****Manifest at Jordan's stream, Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;****And at Cana, wedding-guest, in thy God-head manifest;****Manifest in power divine, changing water into wine;****Anthems be to thee addressed, God in us made manifest.****Manifest on mountain height, shining in resplendent light,****Where disciples filled with awe they transfigured glory saw.****When from there thou leddest them steadfast to Jerusalem,****Cross and Easter Day attest God in us made manifest.****The Holy Gospel****Matthew 5:21-37***Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew.*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not murder'; and 'whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.' But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, 'You fool,' you will be liable to the hell of fire. So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

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

“It was also said, ‘Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.’ But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

“Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, ‘You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.’ But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let your word be ‘Yes, Yes’ or ‘No, No’; anything more than this comes from the evil one.”

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Kimberlee Auletta

Please stand and say together

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from The Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

led by Erin McNaughton

God of wonder and mystery,
God of the stars and the universe,
God of winding ways and straight paths,
we gather today with gratitude for the gift of your constant presence, your trustworthy guidance, and your daring risk-taking with us.

You dare to love us despite our inability to respond fully.
You dare to care for us, despite our challenge in caring for others.
You dare to walk with us, despite our fickleness.

On our own journeys toward the stars and guiding points you put before us, you continue to lead us forward, guiding us by the teachings of Jesus to seek justice, love kindness, and walk humbly in your loving shadow.

As we struggle with the political wrangling of this world, the wars waged for both justice and greed, the violence committed daily against the innocent, let alone the pain of broken relationships and loss, you remain steadfast in your care and devotion for your entire creation throughout the universe.

It is almost too much to take in sometimes.

And even in our doubts and disbelief, our struggle to understand and constant misunderstanding, and our flat-out ignorance about your ways, you remain constantly present to us.

We pray for peace in this world, Lord, the kind of peace in which we celebrate diversity, are joyfully challenged by adversity, and share in the joy that is to be found everywhere.

We pray for those who are lonely, that you might lead us to reach out and be friends.

We pray for those who are hungry, that you might lead us to offer sustenance.

We pray for those who are lost, that you might lead us to give hope and direction.

We pray for those all who have died, that you will receive them into your loving arms, and comfort all who mourn for their loved ones.

We pray for the countries of the world, that we might find a way to work together to lift one another up.

We pray for our leaders in Washington, that your Spirit might guide them to set an example for our country and the world to work together rather than against one another.

We pray for our country, that we may seek the places where we share commonality and seek to repair the divisions that are tearing us apart.

And we pray for ourselves, that we might continue on this journey, learning the lessons you offer, seeking the fullness of your perfection, and live as you would have us live.

Dear people of God, I invite you to offer your prayers by typing them into the chat or by speaking them aloud.

You are invited to speak your intercessions aloud or to type them in the chat.

The Confession of Sin & Absolution

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor:

All **Most merciful God, we confess that 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 are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;**

**that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen**

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

Presider The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you!**

The Holy Communion

This is God's Table: all are welcome

Offertory Anthem

Please stand

Doxology

Old Hundredth

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

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

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Presider and People sing together;

The Sanctus LEVAS II 255 (*Mass for a Soulful People*)

Grayson Warren Brown

Holy, holy, holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are filled with your glory, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, of the Lord.

Hosanna, in the highest, hosanna in the highest

The Presider continues,

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People,

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Presider continues,

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer LEVAS II 264

A.H. Malotte

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed by 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Please remain standing and sing together

Fraction Anthem

S. Shull

We who are many, are one body,

For we all share in the one bread,

we all share in the one bread.

Please remain standing

Invitation to Communion

These are the gifts for God for all of us, the people of God. Let us take them in remembrance that Christ died for us and feed on him in our hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Hymn

Kingsford

**I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest;
lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon my breast."**

**I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad;
I found in him a resting place, and he has made me glad.**

**I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give
the living water, thirsty one; stoop down and drink and live."**

**I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream;
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him.**

**I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light.
Look unto me; your morn shall rise and all your day be bright."**

**I looked to Jesus, and I found in him my star, my sun;
and in that light of life I'll walk till trav'ling days are done.**

All stand, and say together

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn: H-707 Take My Life and Let it Be

Hollingside

**Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee;
Take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love;
Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.**

**Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King;
Take my intellect, and use every power as thou shalt choose.
Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.
Taker myself, and I will be ever, only all for thee.**

Parting Prayer *sung to the tune of Edelweiss*

**May the Lord, Mighty Lord, bless you and keep you forever,
bind your heart to his heart with a bond that nothing can sever.
Give you light on the uphill road and courage in every endeavor.
May the Lord, Mighty Lord, bless you and keep you forever.**

The Dismissal

Priest Let us go forth rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia!
People **Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Weekly Announcements

Concert Series. Sunday March 12th 4:00pm “American Icons: Brooklyn Music School”

“American Icons: Brooklyn Music School” is the second edition of an interdisciplinary series centering the communities of New Yorkers living among monuments and public art. Activist and oral historian Cynthia Tobar has collected the stories of faculty and students of Fort Greene's Brooklyn Music School in a conversation about the role of music in shaping identity on an individual, local, and national level, and the art that is handed down generationally. Excerpts from these exchanges have been set to music by composers Molly Joyce and Matthew Ricketts, and will be given their world premiere by baritone Gregory Feldmann and pianist Nathaniel LaNasa. These new songs join a growing collection of locally created “musical monuments,” and will be performed alongside songs by Shawn Chang and Jorell Williams, the composers of “American Icons” first edition in the Bronx. The event has been made possible through a 2022 Brooklyn Arts Council Grant. By donation.

LENT at Holy Apostles

Please sign up for our Lenten offerings online via Google form or with a paper form in the back of the church. Questions? Please ask the Mothers.

Wednesday, February 15th Shrove : “Tuesday” Palm “Bonfire”

Bring last years palms (if you have them) and join us as we burn the palms and roast marshmallows! Because we had so much fun last year with our BBQ, we’ve decided to reprise it this year. This will be our Wednesday evening community meal with hotdogs on the lawn! If you are willing to volunteer to help BBQ, shop, set up or clean up, please let Mother Kimberlee know.

Wednesday, February 22nd Ash Wednesday

7pm In person and imposition of ashes with choir. Zoom will be available.

An Introduction to Ignatian Spirituality: The Examen & the life of St. Ignatius

Join Mother Kimberlee for a journey with St. Ignatius, the founder of the Society of Jesuits, this Lent with an 8 day daily examen retreat followed by reading The Pilgrim’s Story: The Life of St. Ignatius Loyola. Participants are asked to commit to both parts.

- **The Daily Examen 8 Day Retreat on Zoom 10pm**

Thursday, February 23 through March 2

Begin your Lent with the spiritual practice of the Ignatian Daily Examen. Designed to help us begin to see where God is moving in our lives, this 500 year old practice helps cultivate gratitude for every day in a simple inventory of our days. No experience necessary.

Meetings last for 15 minutes each night via Zoom. Sign up is required in advance, and nightly attendance is strongly encouraged.

- **The Pilgrim’s Story: The Life of St. Ignatius Loyola** by Brendan Comorford, SJ

The Pilgrim's Story goes beyond a simple biography to explain how the life of Saint Ignatius affected his Spiritual Exercises and describe how Ignatian spirituality can help each of us understand our own spiritual longings and experiences. The book is available for purchase at Amazon and other booksellers. Discussions will be held Sunday, March 5 & 19 on Zoom at 8pm.

Integration of Mind, Body, Spirit. A Lenten practice.

Mondays on Zoom 8pm, Sundays after the 10am service for a group walk.

Join Mother Sarah as she lead us on a journey to explore these three interconnected aspects of being our selves each need attention, care and integration. For people who are feeling suffering in any of these parts of their self we know that one of the ways we can metaphorically understand our suffering is by thinking of our life as a journey. Hoping to connect to physical, mental and spiritual selves we will embark on a journey together. Join us for a 40 day journey back towards spiritual well being from feeling lost, overwhelmed or out of control using a journal called *Christ Walk Crushed* and committing to some physical, spiritual and mental practices to help our minds, bodies and spirits move towards reconciliation. Please purchase **Christ Walk Crushed** by Anna Fitch Courie and David W. Peters available on Amazon and other book sellers.

Ukrainian Egg-dying

Thursdays at 11am during Lent beginning March 2.

Join the Mothers for the ancient spiritual practice of Pysanky, aka Ukrainian egg-dying using wax and special dyes.. No previous experience necessary. Bring your lunch and spend time exercising your creative muscles during this meditative practice.

Lenten Half-Day Retreat: Mending our Hearts

Saturday, March 4 10am-2pm @ Holy Apostles

Join seminarian Larisa Shaterian for a half-day Lenten retreat where we will learn basic mending, sewing, and embroidery techniques. Bring extile items to mend, make a mending sampler, embroider a mourning sash, or a combination! Materials (except for your hol(e)y clothes) will be provided in a brown bag. You are encouraged to bring your own brown bag lunch.

This workshop will ask how we display the patched places in our lives and on our clothes.

Workshop: Fostering Love and Hope: Using Art to Transform Trauma and Stress Induced Experiences

Sunday, March 19 following the 10am service.

Join artist, collaborator, consultant and educator Traci Malloy for this workshop which will include a facilitator led presentation on the ways trauma and stress impact the mind and body, and the importance of play/the arts in alleviating the stress response and generating resiliency. The presentation will also include the sharing of select art collaborations that Molloy facilitated with trauma survivors throughout the country. The workshop will conclude a hands-on artmaking component, where participants will be given the opportunity to generate creative expressions.

Church of the Holy Apostles

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*Holy Apostles exists as God's house for all people,
by fulfilling the spiritual yearning of our souls, teaching us how
to live as Christians in a broken world
by serving the needs of the greater community.*

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