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THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY FEBRUARY 13, 2022



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INTRODUCTION

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.

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PRELUDE

WELCOME

Please stand as you are able

- P This is the day that the Lord has made:
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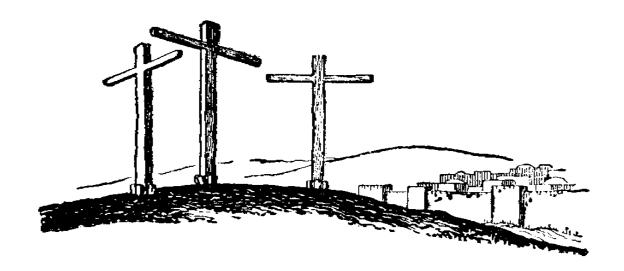
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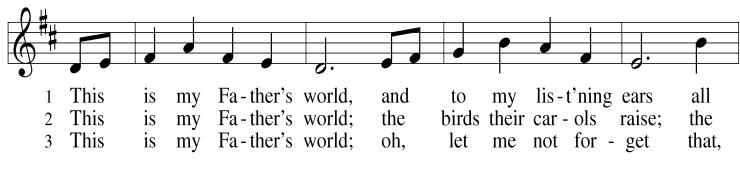
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GATHERING HYMN

THIS IS MY FATHER'S WORLD





na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the spheres. morn - ing light, the lil - y white, de - clare their mak - er's praise. though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul - er yet.



This Fa-ther's world; the thought my rest me Fa-ther's world; he shines in all that's fair. In the my This is my Fa-ther's world; should my heart be why The This is sad?



rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the won-ders wrought. rus-tling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me ev-'ry-where. Lord is king, let the heav-ens ring; God reigns, let the earth be glad!

Text: Maltbie D. Babcock, 1858-1901

Music: TERRA PATRIS, Franklin L. Sheppard, 1852–1930, adapt.

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Living God,

C 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 Amen.

Please be seated

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GOSPEL VERSE



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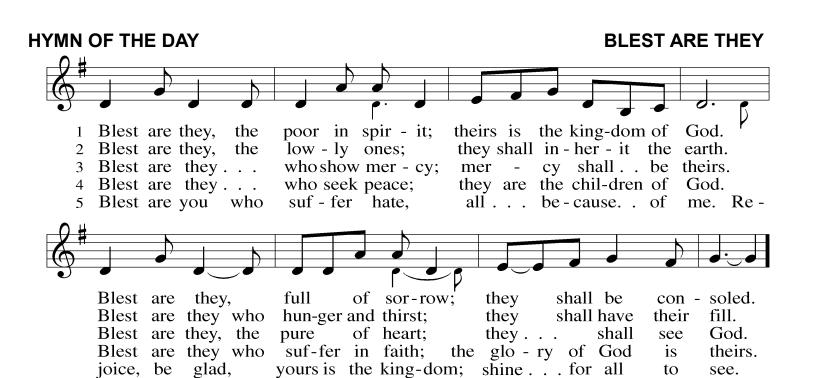
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SERMON "WHERE ARE YOU PLANTED?"

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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

Please be seated

MINISTRY MOMENTS (ANNOUNCEMENTS)

OFFERING (Please place your offerings in the collection plate located by the doors as you exit)

SPECIAL MUSIC WORSHIP TEAM

OFFERING PRAYER

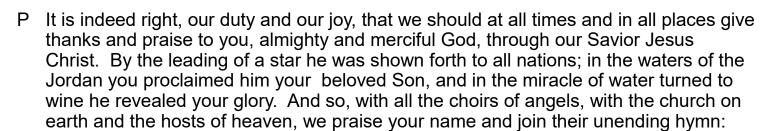
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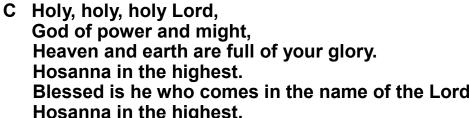
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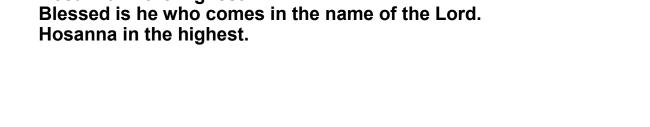
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GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts
- C We lift them to the Lord
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give God thanks and praise.











THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed...

Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

P Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance withal your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

C 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.

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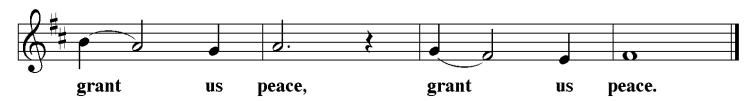


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P God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name,† bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever.

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Text: Katherine K. Davis, 1892–1980 Music: THE ASH GROVE, Welsh folk tune

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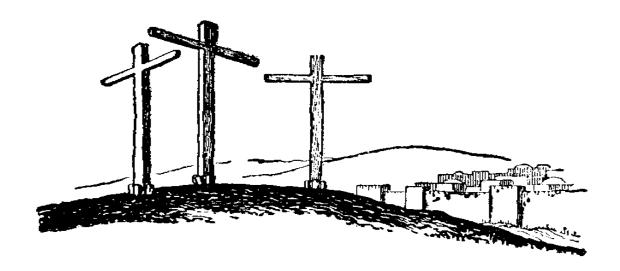
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GATHERING SONG

TAKE MY LIFE (HOLINESS)

1) Holiness, holiness is what I long for.

Holiness is what I need.

Holiness, holiness is what you want from me.

Faithfulness, faithfulness is what I long for.

Faithfulness is what I need.

Faithfulness, faithfulness is what you want from me.

Chorus

Take my heart and form it, take my mind, transform it, Take my will, conform it, to yours, to yours, Oh Lord.

2) Righteousness, righteousness is what I long for.

Righteousness is what I need.

Righteousness, righteousness is what you want from me.

Brokenness, brokenness is what I long for.

Brokenness is what I need.

Brokenness, brokenness is what you want from me. Chorus

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

LAURA BARTON

Children are excused for Sunday School

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GOSPEL VERSE

C Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world, They resound with God's own heart Oh, let the Ancient words impart.

Ancient words, ever true, changing me and changing you; We have come with open hearts, O, let the ancient words impart. GOSPEL READING PAGE 20

Please be seated

SERMON

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SONG OF THE DAY

BLEST ARE THEY

 Blest are they, the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of God. Blest are they full of sorrow; they shall be consoled.

Refrain:

Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you, holy are you. Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God.

 Blest are they, the lowly ones; they shall inherit the earth.
 Blest are they who hunger and thirst; they shall have their fill.
 Refrain

- 3) Blest are they who show mercy; mercy shall be theirs. Blest are they, the pure of heart they shall see God! Refrain
- 4) Blest are they who seek peace; they are the children of God. Blest are they who suffer in faith; glory of God is theirs. Refrain
- 5) Blest are you who suffer hate, all because of me.
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If you are worshiping in your homes, you are invited to commune each other, or to take communion yourself. You may use these words:

The body of the Christ, given for you. The blood of the Christ, shed for you.

For those abstaining from communion, I invite you to offer a blessing to each other. Here are two options:

- Marking the forehead in the sign of the cross and saying:
 (Name) child of God, know that you are loved and protected by God.
- 2. Prayer for those abstaining from Communion:

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

COMMUNION SONG

1) Oh, I've heard a thousand stories
Of what they think you're like
But I've heard the tender whisper
Of love in the dead of night
And you tell me that you're pleased
And that I'm never alone

Chorus

You're a Good, Good Father
It's who you are, it's who you are,
It's who you are
And I'm loved by you
It's who I am, it's who I am,
It's who I am

2) Oh, and I've seen many searching for Answers far and wide But I know we're all searching For answers only you provide Cause you know just what we need Before we say a word

Chorus

Bridge

Cause you are perfect In all of your ways You are perfect in all of your ways You are perfect in all of your ways to us (2x)

3) Oh, this Love so undeniable I, I can hardly speak Peace so unexplainable I, I can hardly think As you call me deeper still [x3] Into love, love, love

Chorus

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SENDING SONG

LET THE RIVER FLOW

Let the poor man say, "I am rich in Him," Let the lost man say, "I am found in Him." And let the river flow. Let the blind man say, "I can see again," Let the dead man say, "I am born again," And let the river flow, let the river flow.

Chorus

Let the river flow, --let the river flow. Holy Spirit come, --move in power. Let the river flow, --let the river flow. Holy Spirit come, --move in power. Let the river flow, --let the river flow, Let the river flow.

Repeat all

Words and music my Darrell Evans, 1991 Integrity's Hosanna Music. HigherPraise.com

DISMISSAL

P Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news. **C Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE



FIRST READING Jeremiah 17:5-10

These verses compose a poem that is part of a larger collection of wisdom sayings that contrast two ways of life. Life with God brings blessing; the power and vitality of God is active in our life. Life without God brings a curse, the power of death.

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.

6Thoy shall be like a shrub in the desert

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.

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

R Word of God, word of life

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 85 Let Us See You Kindness

Refrain: sung first by Cantor, then by all

C Let us see your kindness, O Lord, grant us your salvation, O God.

Verses sung by Cantor

- 1. God, how I long for the peace you proclaim, your salvation and glory near to all who revere your name.
- 2. Kindness and truth shall meet, justice and peace shall kiss; truth shall spring forth from the earth and justice look down from heav'n.
- 3. You, yourself, will give these gifts; our land shall yield its fruit. Justice shall walk before you, and salvation along your way.

For Paul, the resurrection of Christ is the basis for Christian hope. Because Christ has been raised, those who are in Christ know that they too will be raised to a new life beyond death.

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.

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GOSPEL Luke 6:17-26

After choosing his twelve apostles, Jesus teaches a crowd of followers about the nature and demands of discipleship. He begins his great sermon with surprising statements about who is truly blessed in the eyes of God.

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