

**HOLY COMMUNION**  
**Sixth Sunday after Epiphany**

**February 17, 2019**

**8:00 am**

**INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY**

Blessings and curses abound on the sixth Sunday after Epiphany. We would do well to listen closely to whom the “blessed ones” and the “woe to” 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 the power to heal us all.

**SILENT PRAYER**

**PRELUDE:** *“Overture” from Royal Fireworks Suite*

Handel

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GATHERING (ENTRANCE RITE)**

*Stand*

**HYMN:** *O God of Mercy, God of Might*

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**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ABSOLUTION)**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.*

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

**C** Amen.

**P** Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** Amen.

**P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

***Kneel/Stand***

**P** Most merciful God,

**C** **we confess that we are captive to sin  
and cannot free ourselves.**

**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.**

**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** In the mercy of almighty God,  
Jesus Christ was given to die for us,  
and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.  
As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ,  
and by his authority,  
I therefore declare to you  
the entire forgiveness of all your sins,  
in the name of the Father,  
and of the ✙ Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

***Stand***

**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.**

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE (GLORIA IN EXCELSIS)

**A** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

**G** Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:

We worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God:

You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father;  
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

Amen

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** Let us pray.

Lord God, mercifully receive the prayers of your people. Help us to see and understand the things we ought to do, and give us grace and power to do them; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**G** Amen.

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

*Sit*

### FIRST READING

Jeremiah 17:5-10

*These verses compose a poem that is part of a larger collection of wisdom sayings (17:5-11) 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.*

**A** A reading from Jeremiah.

<sup>5</sup>Thus says the LORD:

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

<sup>6</sup>They 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.

<sup>7</sup>Blessed are those who trust in the LORD,  
whose trust is the LORD.

<sup>8</sup>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.

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

<sup>10</sup>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.

**A** The word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

*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.*

**A** A reading from First Corinthians.

<sup>12</sup>Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? <sup>13</sup>If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; <sup>14</sup>and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. <sup>15</sup>We 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. <sup>16</sup>For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. <sup>17</sup>If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. <sup>18</sup>Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. <sup>19</sup>If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

<sup>20</sup>But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of

those who have died.

**A** The word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**C** Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

**You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

**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 Luke.

**C** Glory to you, O Lord.

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

<sup>20</sup>Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

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

<sup>21</sup>“Blessed are you who are hungry now,  
for you will be filled.

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

<sup>22</sup>“Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. <sup>23</sup>Rejoice 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.

<sup>24</sup>“But woe to you who are rich,  
for you have received your consolation.

<sup>25</sup>“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.

<sup>26</sup>“Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their  
ancestors did to the false prophets.”

☐ The gospel of the Lord.

☑ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Sit*

**SERMON**

Pastor Weleck

*Stand*

*The Nicene Creed or the Apostles' Creed may be spoken. The Nicene Creed is appropriate during Advent, Christmas, Easter, and on festival days; the Apostles' Creed during Lent and at other times.*

**APOSTLES' CREED**

☐ With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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** With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus,  
let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- A** We pray for the church, for its pastors and bishops, for the newly  
baptized, for all the faithful, for this congregation here gathered, and  
for our growth in grace. Lord, in your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- A** We pray for all nations, for all rulers, legislators, and judges, for an  
increase of justice in our lands, and for all who work for peace  
among nations and among peoples. Lord, in your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- A** We pray for all in any need, for the hungry and the homeless, for  
victims of war and injustice, for prisoners, for all who suffer in mind,  
body, or spirit, for the sick and infirm, for all with incurable illness,  
and for all who this day will die. We pray especially for those we  
name in the silence of our hearts... Lord, in your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- A** We pray for the members of our armed forces wherever they serve,  
and especially when they serve in harm's way, that they might  
speedily complete their mission and be safely reunited with their  
loved ones. Lord, in your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray,  
trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- C** **Amen.**

## PEACE

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

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may*

*say Peace be with you or similar words.*

LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

*Sit*  
OFFERING

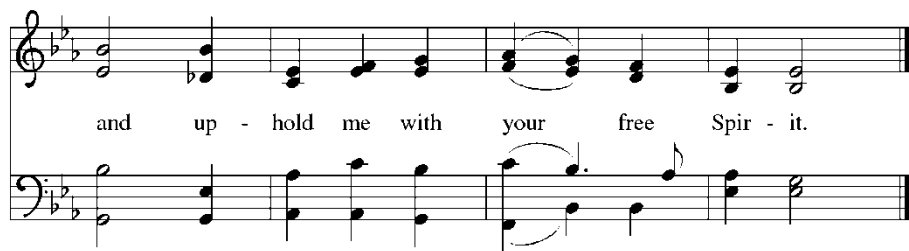
*Stand*  
OFFERTORY

pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -

store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,

The musical score consists of two systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The first system contains the lyrics "pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -". The second system contains the lyrics "store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,". The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line with chords and some melodic movement in the right hand.





## OFFERING PRAYER

- A** Let us pray...Merciful Father,  
**C** we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—ourselves, 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.

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

*The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks:*

- 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 our thanks and praise.

*The minister continues with the PROPER PREFACE:*

- P** It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... *Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding:* ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*The assembly continues with the SANCTUS:*

- C** Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might:  
Heaven 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.

*The minister continues with the WORDS OF INSTITUTION, usually included in a Eucharistic Prayer.*

☐ 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,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
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.

☑ **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

☐ 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 with all your saints.

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

**☩ Amen.**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

**☩** 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.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

- ☐ Behold the Lamb of God,  
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.  
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
- ☑ **Lord, I am not worthy  
that you should enter under my roof,  
but only say the word  
and my soul shall be healed.**

## LAMB OF GOD (AGNUS DEI)

- ☑ **Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.**  
**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.**  
**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
grant us peace.**

*Sit*

## COMMUNION

*When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say*

The body of Christ, given for you.      The blood of Christ, shed for you.  
*and each person may respond*

☒ Amen.

*We Lutherans believe that the Body and Blood of Christ are present “in, with, and under” the forms of bread and wine. We invite to the communion all who are baptized and communing in this or another Christian denomination. We welcome children and others who are not communing to come forward for a blessing.*

*Stand*

## SONG AFTER COMMUNION (NUNC DIMITTIS)



been ful-filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion  
 which you have pre-pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple:  
 a light to re - veal you to the na - tions and the glo - ry of your  
 peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son,  
 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it, as it was in the be - gin - ning,  
 is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

## BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

**P** The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C** Amen.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**A** Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God,  
 that you have refreshed us  
 through the healing power of this gift of life.  
 In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift,  
 in faith toward you  
 and in fervent love toward one another;  
 for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** Amen.

SENDING

## **BLESSING (BENEDICTION)**

- ☐ 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.
- ☑ **Amen.**

## **DISMISSAL**

- ☐ Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- ☑ **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE:** *“The Rejoicing” from Royal Fireworks Suite*      Handel



**The Christmas Cycle** celebrates the events surrounding Christ’s coming — the prophecies, his birth, his manifestation (epiphany) to the Gentiles, and his baptism — through the Advent season, the Christmas season, and the Epiphany season.

**On Sundays for which the color is green**, it is appropriate to omit either the Kyrie or the Hymn of Praise, reserving both together for festival seasons.

**The liturgical color green**, symbolic of growth, is used for the season after Epiphany and after Pentecost.

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### **2019 Stewardship Campaign Update**

	<b>Commitment Cards</b>	<b>Dollar Amount</b>
Total Possible	274	\$235,000
Received as of 1/20/2019	68	\$111,980
<b>Amount Outstanding</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>\$123,020</b>

If you have not yet returned your Commitment Card for 2019, please return the completed card as soon as possible. A copy of the 2019 Commitment Card can be downloaded from the parish web site, [www.augustustrappe.org](http://www.augustustrappe.org), under the "About Us" tab.

#### **Assisting in the Service:**

Altar Servers: Nathan Kerr and Carson Leigl

Lectors: 8:00 am: Mike Van Blaricum 10:30 am: Jeannie Funk

Ushers: Frank DePaul, Karl Stefan, Jack Schatz, and Dick Allebach

Communion Assistants: 8:00 am: Debra Augustine

10:30 am: Jennifer Wentworth and Bob Rodenberger

Altar Guild: 8:00 am: Sally Sweeney

10:30 am: Deb Scholl and Sherry Jessee

Offering Tabulation: Debra Augustine, Karl Stefan, and Jeannie Funk

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God in memory of Dr. Ivan and Kay Hess from their family.

The Sanctuary Candle is given to the glory of God by Gail, Buddy, and Joshua Martin in loving memory of father and grandfather, Robert Heist.

The Worship Bulletins are given to the glory of God by Dennis Ludwig in loving memory of Parents, Sue and Ernest Ludwig.

Speakers Wanted: The Senior Youth Group leaders are looking for guest speakers for our meetings on the first Wednesday of each month. Do you have past experiences that you think would be valuable for our youth? Would you would like to share them with them? If you're interested, please contact Gary Wessner ([gtwess@comcast.net](mailto:gtwess@comcast.net)).

SYG Group Soup Sales: As the heart of winter approaches, the best way to keep warm is a bowl of hot soup. The Senior Youth Group will be selling soups on the 17<sup>th</sup> of February and March. If you're interested in making soups for the youth group, please contact Tracy Wessner, [gtwess@comcast.net](mailto:gtwess@comcast.net).

Augustus Book Club: The February meeting of the Augustus Book Club will be held on February 18, 2019 at 7:30 pm in the Vestry Lounge. We will be discussing Invisible Man by Ralph Ellison. Come to discuss the book and get to know some new folks! Refreshments are always served. Questions? Contact Karen McClain 610-489-9625 or [office@augustustrappe.org](mailto:office@augustustrappe.org)

Volunteer Needed: The Spring Turkey Dinner Committee is currently in need of a chair person to oversee the Craft/Vendor Fair portion of the event scheduled for Saturday, April 27, 2019. Although this job is relatively low maintenance and low energy, it is an extremely critical position to the success of the Turkey Dinner and the support of our missions in Tanzania. We are requesting that the Craft/Vendor Fair Chair Person actively pursues vendors, takes in their reservations and requests, organizes their booth placements, and directs the crafters on the day of the event. You will be directing and working with our set-up crew to put up tables and any other equipment you may require. You will not be required to set up craft/vendor fair tables. The support of our church missions in Tanzania can only be successful with the unconditional support of our congregants. Please prayerfully consider this opportunity to partake in the global Christian community. For further information or to express your interest, please contact Dale O'Hara at 610-489-0417 or [oharadvd@aol.com](mailto:oharadvd@aol.com)



CALENDAR OF EVENTS			
Sunday	2/17	8:00 am	Holy Communion in the Chapel
		8:45 am	Soup Sale
		8:45 am	Children's Music
		9:00 am	Sunday School
		9:00 am	Sr. Youth Group
		9:15 am	Bible Study
		10:30 am	Holy Communion in the Upper Nave
		11:30 am	Soup Sale
Monday	2/18	6:45 pm	Cub Scouts
		7:00 pm	Scouts
		7:00 pm	District Scout Meeting
		7:30 pm	Book Club
Tuesday	2/19	9:30 am	Quilting Group
		7:00 pm	Cub Scouts
		7:00 pm	Scout Committee Meeting
Wednesday	2/20	2:00 pm	Staff Meeting
		6:00 pm	3-in-1
Thursday	2/21	6:00 pm	Bell Choir
		7:00 pm	Adult Choir
Friday	2/22		
Saturday	2/23		
Sunday	2/24	8:00 am	Holy Communion in the Chapel
		8:45 am	Children's Music
		9:00 am	Sunday School
		9:15 am	Adult Bible Study
		10:30 am	Holy Communion in the Upper Nave

Wanted: People with property management expertise. With the closing of Happy Days and subsequent loss of revenue, a facilities rental committee has been established to develop a plan for renting space at Augustus on a daily, weekly, monthly or yearly basis. If you have experience with rental contracts and/or property management, we need your help. Please contact John Kochel ([John.Kochel@Thrivent.com](mailto:John.Kochel@Thrivent.com)), Gary Wessner ([gtwess@comcast.net](mailto:gtwess@comcast.net)), Janet Stokes ([sjastokes@aol.com](mailto:sjastokes@aol.com)) or the church office.

