

ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL ANGLICAN CHURCH

Fairland Parish



6th Sunday after the Epiphany

Septuagesima

Holy Eucharist - Rite II

February 13, 2022, 10:30 a.m.

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The People enter, masked, and maintaining physical distance. Silence is kept.

Prelude

Opening Hymn: Christ whose glory fills the skies

Hymnal # 6

1. Christ, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ, the true, the only Light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise!
Triumph over shades of night;
Dayspring from on high, be near;
Day-star, in my heart appear!

2. Dark and cheerless is the morn
unaccompanied by thee;
joyless is the day's return
till thy mercy's beams I see;
as they inward light impart,
glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

3. Visit then this soul of mine!
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!
Fill me, radiance divine;
scatter all my unbelief;

more and more thyself display,
shining to the perfect day.

Opening Rites and the Collect of the Day

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

People: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and always.

Celebrant: 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.

Led by the Choristers, all sing:

Gloria in excelsis Canticle 6 **Hymnal # S204**

Glory be to God on high,
And on earth peace, good will towards men,
We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away
the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.
For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high
in the glory of God the Father, Amen.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

God of blessing and woe,
disturbing the deadly order of the world:
give us faith tested in poverty,
hunger for what really satisfies,
eyes softened by tears
and hearts ready to laugh
at all that is false and pompous
that we might be witnesses
to the dignity of life;
through Jesus Christ, who turns the world upside down. *Amen.*

The Old Testament Lesson

Jeremiah 17:5-10

- ⁵ 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.
- ⁶ 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.
- ⁷ Blessed are those who trust in the LORD,
whose trust is the LORD.
- ⁸ 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.
- ⁹ The heart is devious above all else;
it is perverse—
who can understand it?
- ¹⁰ 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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 1

The Choristers chant the Psalm

- ¹ Happy are those
who do not follow the advice of the wicked,
or take the path that sinners tread,
or sit in the seat of scoffers;
- ² but their delight is in the law of the LORD,
and on his law they meditate day and night.
- ³ They are like trees
planted by streams of water,
which yield their fruit in its season,
and their leaves do not wither.
In all that they do, they prosper.
- ⁴ The wicked are not so,
but are like chaff that the wind drives away.
- ⁵ Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgement,
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;
- ⁶ for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish.

The New Testament Lesson

1 Corinthians 15:12:20

¹² Now 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.

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

LEM: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: Love's redeeming work is done **Hymnal #188**

1. Love's redeeming work is done,
 fought the fight, the battle won.

Death in vain forbids him rise;
Christ has opened paradise.

2. Lives again our glorious King;
where, O death, is now thy sting?
Once he died our souls to save,
where thy victory, O grave?
3. Soar we now where Christ has led,
following our exalted Head;
made like him, like him we rise,
ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

The Gospel

Luke 6:17-26

Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

^{6:17} He 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, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon.

^{6:18} They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured.

^{6:19} And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

6:20 Then he looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

6:21 "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

6:22 "Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man.

6:23 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.

6:24 "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

6:25 "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.

6:26 "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon: On a Level Place

The Creed

Led by the LEM, the People say

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, the 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 human.

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

The LEM or Reader says

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "*Lord, have mercy*" (or "*Kyrie eleison*").

That Your Church may be filled with truth and love, and stand blameless before you at the day of your coming, *Lord, have mercy.*

That Your people may be one, and our witness to Your love be faithful, to the ends of the earth, *Lord, have mercy.*

That those who have lost their faith or their way may find it by Your light, and follow it well, *Lord, have mercy.*

That there may be peace among the nations, and respect and forbearance among all peoples, *Lord, have mercy.*

That those in positions of public trust may speak truth, serve justice, and promote the dignity of every human being, *Lord, have mercy.*

That we might use Your creation rightly, and free all people from hunger, malice, ignorance, and misery, *Lord, have mercy.*

That all who are in flight from peril or suffering, in prison or in pain, or who suffer from illness, poverty, or persecution, may find safety, haven, and relief, *Lord, have mercy.*

That this congregation, present and absent, may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth Your glory, *Lord, have mercy*

For our enemies and those who wish us harm, and for all whom we have injured or offended, *Lord, have mercy.*

For the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, *Lord, have mercy.*

For all who are commended to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, *Lord, have mercy.*

For all who have died, be their faith known to us or to you alone, that, with all Your saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, *Lord, have mercy.*

Rejoicing in the fellowship of [the ever-blessed Mary, the Mother of God, [N.,] and] all the saints, let us commend ourselves, one another, and all our life to Christ our God. *To you, O Lord our God.*

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect, or the following Doxology

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Peace

The People stand.

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be *always* with you,

People: And also with you.

The Ministers and People greet one another.¹

Choral Anthem: The Gift of Love 1 Corinthians/H. Hopson

The Deacon or Priest prepares the altar and sanctuary for the Eucharist.

The People make ready their gifts of bread and wine.

The Holy Eucharist: The Great Thanksgiving

¹ *Note: under disease-mitigation protocols, the People greet one another in silence and at physical distance, and there is no passing of plates or reception of gifts.*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: 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, holy Lord, creator of heaven and earth, because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the power of the Holy Spirit was made perfect flesh of the ever-blessèd Mary, his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

Therefore we praise you, joining with Angels and Archangels and with all the host of heaven, who forever sing this hymn, to the glory of your Name,

The Sanctus

Hymnal #S129

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in your Word made flesh: Jesus, your Son. For in the fullness of time you sent him among us to live and die as one of us, the Savior and the Redeemer of the world. In him you deliver us from evil, and make us worthy to stand before you. In him, you bring us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, and out of death into life.

On the night before he was betrayed unto death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread. Giving thanks to you, he broke it, and shared it with his disciples, saying:

“Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this in memory of me.” †

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup, gave thanks, and shared it with them, saying:

“Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in memory of me.” †

Therefore, according to his command, O Lord,

The People, led by the LEM, say

We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory:

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all, presenting to you from your creation this bread and this wine, fruit of the vine and the work of human hands. Send your Holy Spirit upon them that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit to live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us to that heavenly country where, with [N.] and all your saints, we may enter into the everlasting heritage of all your children, through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the church, and the author of our salvation.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, now and forever. *AMEN.* ††

Now, as Christ taught us, we are bold to say,

The People, led by the Choristers sing

LEVAS 264

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, for
ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread, then keeps a period of silence.

The People, led by the Choristers, sing:

Fraction Anthem: Christ our Passover

Hymnal # S155

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore, let us keep the feast.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The People consume their gifts in place, or do so after coming forward to receive a host, maintaining social distance.

Communion Hymn: Deck thyself, my soul,

Hymnal #339

1. Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness,
leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,
come into the daylight's splendor;
there with joy thy praises render
unto him whose grace unbounded
hath this wondrous banquet founded;
high o'er all the heavens he reigneth,
yet to dwell with thee he deigneth.

2. Sun, who all my life dost brighten;
Light, Who dost my soul enlighten;
Joy the best that any knoweth;
Fount, whence all my being floweth;
at thy feet I cry, my Maker,
let me be a fit partaker
of this blessed food from heaven,
for our good, thy glory, given.

3. Jesus, Bread of life, I pray thee,
let me gladly here obey thee;
never to my hurt invited,
be thy love with love requited;
from this banquet let me measure,
Lord, how vast and deep it's treasure;
through the gifts thou here dost give me
as thy guest in heaven receive me.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The Celebrant or LEM leads the People in the following prayer:

Eternal God, holy Lord, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Now send us forth in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart, through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Announcements

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Announcements, if any, are made here.

Blessing

The Celebrant says

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord be with you, this day and always, and give you peace.

Withdrawal Hymn: The Church's one foundation vs. 1,2,3,5 Hymnal #525

1. The Church's one foundation
is Jesus Christ her Lord;
she is his new creation
by water and the word:
from heaven he came and sought her
to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.

2. Elect from every nation,
yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation,
one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy Name she blesses,
partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses,
with every grace endued.

3. Though with a scornful wonder
men see her sore oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder,
by heresies distressed;
yet saints their watch are keeping,
their cry goes up, "How long?"
and soon the night of weeping
shall be the morn of song.
5. Yet she on earth hath union with God
the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion
with those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy! Lord,
give us grace that we like them,
the meek and lowly,
on high may dwell with thee.

The Celebrant, the LEM, and the People depart, maintaining physical distance.

Dismissal

The LEM says

Let us go forth, in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

The Flowers on the altar today were given to the Glory of God.

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