

### The Sixth Sunday after Epiphany February 16, 2025 10:45 am

Welcome

**First Opening Song** 

The Heart of Worship

When the music fades all is stripped away And I simply come Longing just to bring something that's of worth That will bless Your heart

> I'll bring You more than a song For a song in itself is not what You have required You search much deeper within Through the way things appear You're looking into my heart

I'm coming back to the heart of worship And it's all about You all about You Jesus I'm sorry Lord for the thing I've made it When it's all about You all about You Jesus

# Second Opening Song

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus blood and righteousness I dare not trust the sweetest frame But wholly lean on Jesus' name

On Christ the solid rock I stand All other ground is sinking sand All other ground is sinking sand

When darkness veils His lovely face I rest on His unchanging grace In every high and stormy gale My anchor holds within the veil

On Christ the solid rock I stand All other ground is sinking sand All other ground is sinking sand King of endless worth no one could express How much You deserve Though I'm weak and poor all I have is Yours Ev'ry single breath

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The Solid Rock

His oath, His covenant, His blood Support me in the whelming flood When all around my soul gives way He then is all my hope and stay

On Christ the solid rock I stand All other ground is sinking sand All other ground is sinking sand

When He shall come with trumpet sound O may I then in Him be found Dressed in righteousness alone Faultless to stand before the throne

> On Christ the solid rock I stand All other ground is sinking sand All other ground is sinking sand

### **Opening Acclamation**

Bishop	Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People	And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

#### Collect of the Day

Bishop	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Bishop	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.* 

#### **First Reading**

Jeremiah 17:5-10

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. 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.

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord.

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.

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."

ReaderHear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.PeopleThanks be to God.

### Psalm 1

- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, \* nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord, \* and they meditate on his law day and night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; \* everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 It is not so with the wicked; \* they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, \* nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, \* but the way of the wicked is doomed.

# Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15: 12-20

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. 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. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for 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 first fruits of those who have died.

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# **Gospel Song**

Every Promise

From the breaking of the dawn To the setting of the sun I will stand on every promise of your Word.

In this dark and troubled land You will guide me with your hand. As I stand on every promise of your Word.

Grace sufficient, grace for me, Grace for all who will believe. We will stand on every promise of your Word.

### Holy Gospel

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

### People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus came down with the twelve apostles, 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. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at 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 will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now,

for you will laugh.

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

"But woe to you who are rich,

for you have received your consolation.

"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.

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

Deacon	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

### Sermon

### The Creed

We believe in God the Father We believe in Jesus Christ We believe in the Holy Spirit And He's given us new life We believe in the crucifixion

We believe that He conquered death We believe in the resurrection And He's coming back again We believe The Rt. Rev. Dr. Dede Duncan Probe

Let the lost be found and the dead be raised In the here and now let love invade Let the church live loud our God will save We believe

> We believe in God the Father We believe in Jesus Christ We believe in the Holy Spirit And He's given us new life We believe We believe!

# Prayers of the People

All are invited to stand, kneel, or sit as you are able to for the prayers.

### Deacon

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, responding with the words in bold.

### Intercessor

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.

We pray for the community of St. James 'and all who minister to it, our clergy, vestry, and lay leaders. May God's call upon their lives make God's love known in our work together as the hands and feet of Jesus in this world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.** 

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; praying for our president, Donald, and our governor, Kathy, that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray for those who are living in fear of violence and for people and places we now name silently or aloud\_\_\_\_\_.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.** 

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.** 

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We pray especially for our young families, children, and those who are welcoming new babies. May we recall the face of God in their lives and remember our call in baptism to support their lives in Christ.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.** 

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Remembering especially, \_\_\_\_\_.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.** 

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Remembering especially, \_\_\_\_\_.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.** 

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Holy Trinity, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

# **Confession of Sin**

Bishop Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

# 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.

# Absolution

Bishop

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

BishopThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

# Announcements

Anniversary & Birthday Blessings

All

May the strength of God pilot you, May the power of God preserve you, May the wisdom of God instruct you, May the hand of God protect you, May the way of God direct you, May the shield of God guard you against the snares of evil and the temptations of the world. May the Spirit of God bless you in the coming year. Adapted from Patrick, c.389 - c.46

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# Offertory

All

Living Waters

# The Great Thanksgiving

Bishop The Lord be with y	you.
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- People And also with you.
- Bishop Lift up your hearts.
- *People* We lift them to the Lord.
- *Bishop* 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.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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:

Dubay Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord.	Holy, holy, holy Lord.
God of power and might.	God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your Glory.	Blessed is he who comes in the name of the
	Lord.
Lord we sing your praise.	Hosana in the highest.
Hosana in the highest.	Hosana in the highest.
Hosana in the highest.	Hosana in the highest.
Hosana in the highest.	Lord we sing your praise.
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	Lord we sing your praise.

# The people stand or kneel

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 the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior

and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

### All We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

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.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts 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. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. James' and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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*.

# Bishop

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

### All

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.

# Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

BishopAlleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;PeopleTherefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

#### The Invitation to Communion

*Bishop* This altar is not ours, it is the Lord's. So come to this altar you who have much faith, and you who would like to have more. You who have been here often and you who have not been here for a long time. You who have tried to follow Jesus and you who have failed. Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

#### The Communion

The sacrament is given to the people.

#### Music at Communion

This is the Kingdom

#### The Postcommunion Prayer

All

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.

#### Blessing

Bishop	Our help is in the Name of the Lord;
People	The maker of heaven and earth.
Bishop	Blessed be the Name of the Lord;
People	From this time forth for evermore.
Bishop	The blessing, mercy, and grace of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
	be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

Beatitudes

### **Closing Song**

Blessed are the poorest ones For Heaven comes to where they are In You, in You Blessed are the ones who mourn For comfort comes to find them all In You, in You

Those who seek to be made right They will be filled and lifted high In You, in You Blessed are the merciful For mercy will be shown to them By You, by You

Oh blessed are the ones who call Your name And blessed are the ones You save Oh You bless the pure in heart We will see our God We will see our God

Those who long for making peace They will become the children of Our God, our God Blessed are the meek For they receive the Earth and all that's found In You, in You

Oh blessed are the ones who call Your name And blessed are the ones You save Oh You bless the pure in heart We will see our God We will see our God

> If just to know You If just to love You What more can I ask for What more can I ask for If just to know You If just to love You What more can I ask for What more can I ask for

Oh blessed are the ones who call Your name And blessed are the ones You save Oh You bless the pure in heart We will see our God We will see our God!

The Dismissal is given by the Deacon, and the People respond, 'Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!'

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