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SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 13, 2025 | 7:00 PM
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2025 | 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

ELW—Evangelical Lutheran Worship

P—Pastor **C**—Congregation **L**—Leader

PRELUDE: (7:00pm/8:00am) “Prelude on Thaxted”Charles Callahan
(10:30am) “Come, Thou Almighty King”Jason W. Krug

WELCOME

Please stand.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

C Amen.

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

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

Silence for reflection.

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.

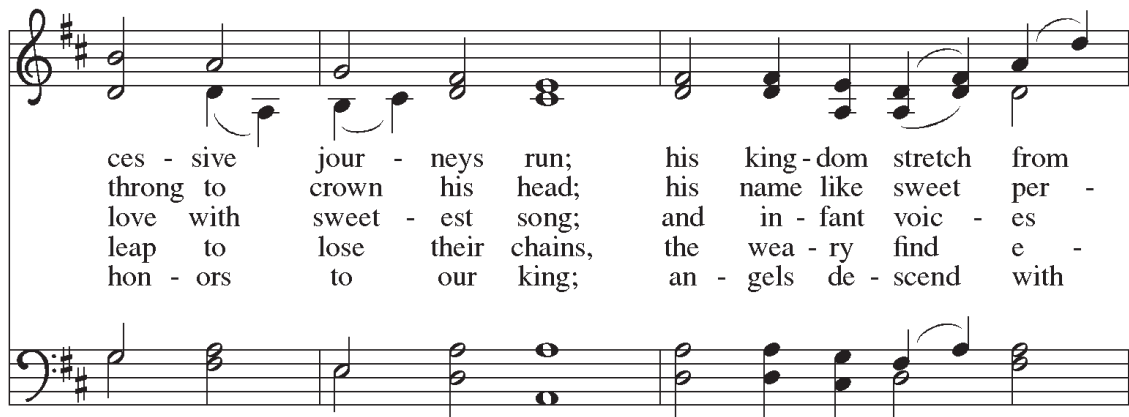
P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the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

C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: ELW 434, "Jesus Shall Reign"DUKE STREET



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -
 2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
 3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue dwell on his
 4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - 'ners
 5 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar



ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from
 throng to crown his head; his name like sweet per -
 love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es
 leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -
 hon - ors to our king; an - gels de - scend with



shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
 fume shall rise with ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.
 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.
 Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

GREETING

- ☐ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- ☑ And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE: (10:30am) "Glory to God"



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

SALUTATION

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Living God, 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.
- C** Amen.

Please be seated.

FIRST READING.....Jeremiah 17:5-10

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. 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. ⁹The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse— who can understand it? ¹⁰I the Lord test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

- L** The word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

PSALM 1 (7:00pm & 8:00am) *Spoken in unison.*

- ¹Happy 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!
- ²Their delight is in the law of the Lord,
and they meditate on God’s teaching day and night.
- ³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.
- ⁴It is not so with the wicked;
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- ⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes,
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- ⁶For the Lord knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.

PSALM 1 (10:30am) *The choir will sing the refrain first; then all will repeat it.
The choir will then sing the verses, and the congregation is invited to sing the refrain as indicated.*



You will stand like a tree plant-ed by a stream, plant-ed by a stream.

¹If you would be happy: never walk with the wicked,
never stand with sinners, never sit among cynics,
²but delight in the Lord's teaching,
and study it both night and day.
³You will stand like a tree planted by a stream, bearing fruit in season,
its leaves never fading, its yield always plenty. **REFRAIN**

⁴Not so the wicked,
like chaff are they blown by the wind.
⁵They will not withstand the judgment
nor assemble with the just.
⁶The Lord marks the way of the upright,
but the corrupt walk into ruin. **REFRAIN**

SECOND READING.....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? ¹³ If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; ¹⁴ and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. ¹⁵ 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. ¹⁶ For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. ¹⁷ If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸ Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. ¹⁹ If 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.

- ☐ The word of the Lord.
- ☑ Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(8:00am) The alleluias are sung once by all.

(10:30am) The congregation will sing the alleluias.

Then the choir will sing the verse, and the congregation is invited to sing the alleluias again.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Choir Rejoice, and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven. **Alleluia.**

HOLY GOSPEL.....Luke 6:17-26

☐ The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixth chapter.

☑ 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. ¹⁸ They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. ¹⁹ And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. ²⁰ Then 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. 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. 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.”

☐ The Gospel of the Lord.

☑ Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON.....Pastor Erdos

Silence for Reflection

Please stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW 726, "Light Dawns on a Weary World"TEMPLE OF PEACE



1 Light dawns on a wea - ry world when eyes be - gin to
2 Love grows in a wea - ry world when hun - gry hearts find
3 Hope blooms in a wea - ry world when crea - tures, once for -



see all peo - ple's dig - ni - ty. Light dawns on a
bread and chil - dren's dreams are fed. Love grows in a
lorn, find wil - der - ness re - born. Hope blooms in a



wea - ry world: the prom - ised day of jus - tice comes.
wea - ry world: the prom - ised feast of plen - ty comes.
wea - ry world: the prom - ised green of E - den comes.



The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs;



the hills and moun - tains shall break forth with sing - ing!



We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,



as all the world in won - der ech - oes sha - lom.

Text: Mary Louise Bringle, b. 1953

Music: TEMPLE OF PEACE, William P. Rowan, b. 1951

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NICENE CREED

C 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

- P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs . . .
- P** Lord in your mercy,
- C** Hear our prayer.

PEACE

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

People greet each other saying: "Peace be with you."

(10:30am) Please be seated.

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM: (10:30am) "Jesu, the Very Thought of Thee"Eric Thiman
Jesu, the very thought of thee with sweetness fills my breast; but sweeter far thy face to see and
in thy presence rest.

Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame, nor can the memory find a sweeter sound that thy
blest name, O Savior, Love Divine.

Jesu, our only joy be thou, as thou our prize wilt be; Jesu, be thou our glory now, and through
eternity. Amen.

(10:30am) Please stand.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P God of abundance, we bring before you the precious fruits of your creation, and with them
our very lives. Teach us patience and hope as we care for all those in need until the coming
of your Son, our Prince of Peace.

C Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.

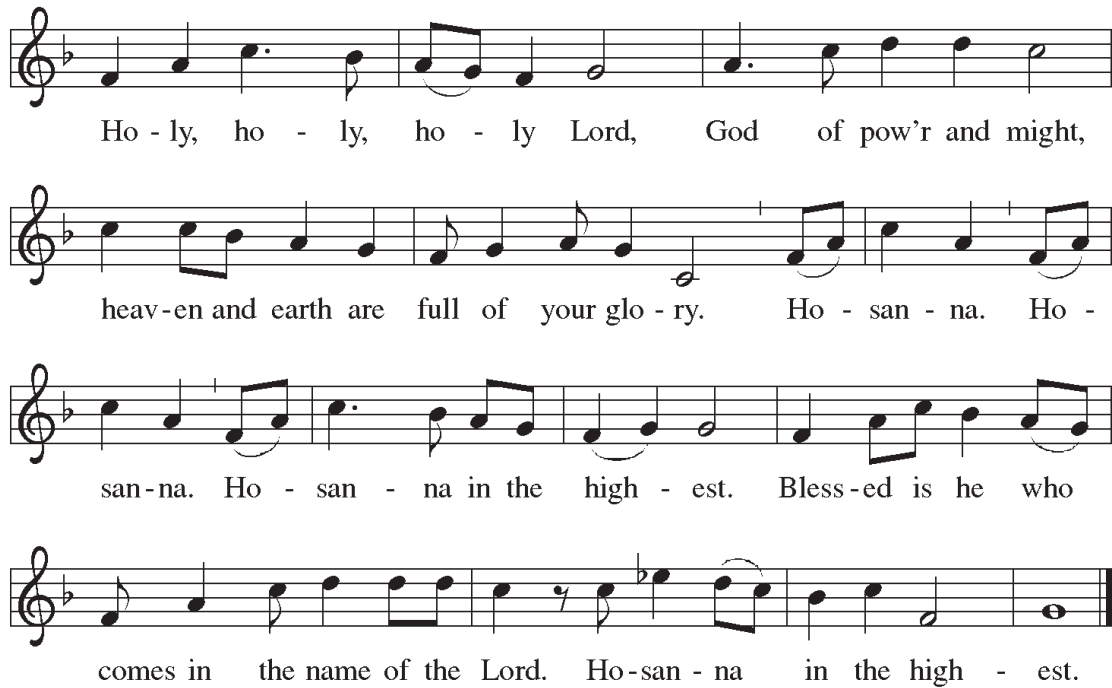
Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P It is a good and joyful thing always and everywhere to give our thanks to you, God of glory,
for you formed a people to trust in you, to root their life in yours, and to bear fruit without
end. When they were parched by sin and thirsting for righteousness, you sent your Son and
let them drink of your forgiving mercies. So you made them like trees planted by streams of
water whose leaves do not wither. Trusting in your all-sufficient ways, your church is rooted in
you and continues to bear the fruits of resurrection. And so with your people on earth and
with all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join the hymn of glory:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

☐ Replenishing God, fill us with faith as we feast around this table. As we remember his saving passion, show us the fullness of your love. Sanctify this bread and cup that they may be for us the body and blood of your Son; who, in the night in which he was betrayed, 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.

Great is the mystery of faith.

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

☐ Patient God, bless your church through the faithful company of those who know poverty. Comfort your sons and daughters who cry and show them unfailing joy. Give courage to those who are persecuted on account of your Son. Fill your children, body and soul, with the food that truly satisfies. Bring us to the great day of heavenly reward, that dawn of unending blessedness which we shall share with all your saints, rejoicing in your glory, ever-faithful Triune God, now and forever.

☑ **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

☐ 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.

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Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN: ELW 479, "We Come to the Hungry Feast"HUNGRY FEAST



1 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a word of peace.
2 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a world re - leased
3 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry that the hun - ger cease,



To hun - gry hearts un - sat - is - fied the love of God is
from hun - gry folk of ev - 'ry kind, the poor in bod - y,
and know - ing, though we eat our fill, the hun - ger will stay



not de - nied. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
poor in mind. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
with us; still we come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

Text: Ray Makeever, b. 1943
Music: HUNGRY FEAST, Ray Makeever
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Please stand.

COMMUNION BLESSING

- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in his grace.
- C** Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

- P** 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 Wonderful Counselor.
- C** Amen.

BLESSING

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
- C** Amen.

SENDING HYMN: ELW 710, "Let Streams of Living Justice"THAXTED



1 Let streams of liv - ing jus - tice flow down up - on the earth;
 2 For heal - ing of the na - tions, for peace that will not end,
 3 Your ci - ty's built to mu - sic; we are the stones you seek;



give free - dom's light to cap - tives, let all the poor have worth.
 for love that makes us lov - ers, God grant us grace to mend.
 your har - mo - ny is lan - guage; we are the words you speak.



The hun - gry's hands are plead - ing, the work - ers claim their rights,
 Weave our var - ied gifts to - geth - er; knit our lives as they are spun;
 Our faith we find in ser - vice, our hope in oth - ers' dreams,



the mourn - ers long for laugh - ter, the blind - ed seek for sight.
 on your loom of time en - roll us till our thread of life is run.
 our love in hand of neigh - bor; our home - land bright - ly gleams.



Make lib - er - ty a bea - con, strike down the i - ron pow'r;
 O great weav - er of our fab - ric, bind church and world in one;
 In - scribe our hearts with jus - tice; your way—the path un - tried;



a - bol - ish an - cient ven - geance; pro - claim your peo - ple's hour.
 dye our tex - ture with your ra - dian - ce, light our col - ors with your sun.
 your truth—the heart of strang - er; your life—the Cru - ci - fied.

Text: William Whitla, b. 1934
 Music: THAXTED, Gustav Holst, 1874–1934
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DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE: "Postlude"Allen Orton Gibbs

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Our appreciation and thanks to those serving in God's house today:

- + Pastor Erdos, Preacher
- + Pastor Zandstra, Celebrant
- + Deacon Mary Lasits, Intercessor
- + Robert Hobby, Organist
- + (10:30am) Chancel Choir; Daniel Schwandt, Director
- + (10:30am) Celebration Ringers; Daniel Schwandt, Director
- + (10:30am) Youth Choir; Emily Bird, Director
- + (8am) Aaron Brune (10:30am) Russ Crumrine; Readers
- + Connie Ault, Ellis Baron, Ami Jackisch; Communion Assistants
- + Ellis Baron, Crucifer
- + Special thanks to today's Ushers, Altar Guild, Video and Audio Production Crew.

ALTAR FLOWERS IN THE NAVE: The flowers on the altar are to the glory of God. In loving memory of our mother Sharon Meitz Freon's birthday by her children, Tammy and Jeff Kumfer, Wendi and Tim Burkhart, Dawn Meitz, Chad and Laurie Meitz. Happy Birthday to a loving mother and wonderful wife, Cathy Waggoner! We love you, Steve, Cole, Evan, Seth, Ellie, Rosie and Wally.

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