

**St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church
Carlisle, Pennsylvania**



**The Sixth Sunday After Epiphany
Worship
February 13, 2022
8 a.m.**

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+ **Boldly Sharing God's Word and Unconditional Love with All** +

PRELUDE

Ciacona in E minor, BuxWV#160

Dietrich Buxtehude

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P. Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name.

C. **Amen.**

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

P. Most merciful God,

C. **we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children.**

We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected.

We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves.

We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome.

Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.

P. Rejoice in this good news: In + Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and

inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven children of God.

C. Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN

Let Justice Flow like Streams

ELW# 717

Please stand as able



1 Let jus - tice flow like streams of spark - ling wa - ter, pure,
2 Let righ - teous - ness roll on as oth - ers' cares we heed,
3 So may God's plumb line, straight, de - fine our mea - sure true,



en - a - bling growth, re - fresh - ing life, a - bun - dant, cleans - ing, sure.
an ev - er - flow - ing stream of faith trans - lat - ed in - to deed.
and jus - tice, right, and peace per - vade this world our whole life through.

Text: Jane Parker Huber, b. 1926

Music: ST. THOMAS, Aaron Williams, 1731–1776

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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.

KYRIE (*Cantor sings the regular print, congregation sings the bold print.*)

Please see the next page.

Kyrie Eleison

Text and Music: Larry Olson

REFRAIN:

Ky-ri-e e-lei - son, on our world and on our way.

5 Ky -ri - e e - lei - son. Ev - 'ry day. *to verse*

PRAYER PETITIONS:

Cantor: For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all; for this holy house, for all who worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord

Response: Let us pray to the Lord. (Refrain)

Cantor: That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor; that we may live out truth justice and grace, let us pray to the Lord

Response: Let us pray to the Lord. (Refrain)

Cantor: For peace in our hearts, for peace in our home, for friends and family; for life and for love, for our work and our play, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Let us pray to the Lord. (Refrain)

Cantor: For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the word; that you nourish our souls with you body and blood, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Let us pray to the Lord. (Refrain)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P. Let us pray. 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

THE WORD

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 17:5-10

L. A reading from Jeremiah.

L. 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: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God!

PSALM: Psalm 1

Read responsively

- L. 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!
- C. ²Their delight is in the law of the LORD,
and they meditate on God's teaching ¹ day and night.**
- L. 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.
- C. ⁴It is not so with the wicked;
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**
- L. ⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes,
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- C. ⁶For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.**

SECOND READING: First Corinthians 15:12-20

L. A reading from First Corinthians.

- L. 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.

L. Word of God, word of life.

C. Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 6:17-26

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the sixth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P. 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:

C. hear our prayer.

A. Those who trust in you are like trees planted by streams of water. Bless fruit trees with an abundant harvest. Protect rainforests from destruction. Restore land that has eroded after deforestation. Resurrect woodlands after forest fires. God of grace,

C. hear our prayer.

A. Search the hearts of those who govern, that they lead with humility. Inspire leaders to collaborate on policies that protect people and the planet. Sustain truth-tellers and social movements that challenge society to become more honest and just. God of grace,

C. hear our prayer.

A. Send your blessings of mercy upon those who long for consolation. Tend to those struggling with poverty, unemployment, or uncertainty. Provide for all who are hungry. Console those who face persecution. Grant peace to all who suffer. We pray especially for those in our St. Paul prayer books, for those serving in the military, and those awaiting their safe return. God of grace,

C. hear our prayer.

A. Renew this congregation in our shared mission. As we plan and dream for the future you are preparing, inspire us by the examples of Martin Luther and all the reformers. Bless new projects and new ministry partnerships. God of grace,

C. hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P. God of grace,

C. hear our prayer.

A. Christ is raised from the dead, and so we cling to the hope of the resurrection. We praise you for the lives of the saints who lived and died in the hope of eternal life with you (*especially*). God of grace,

C. hear our prayer.

P. Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

C. Amen.

THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

Please be Seated

TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Elegy
Ginny Ramsey, Cello

Carl Davis

Please Stand as Able

OFFERING PRAYER

A. Blessed are you, O God, sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light.

C. **Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION

DIALOGUE

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.**

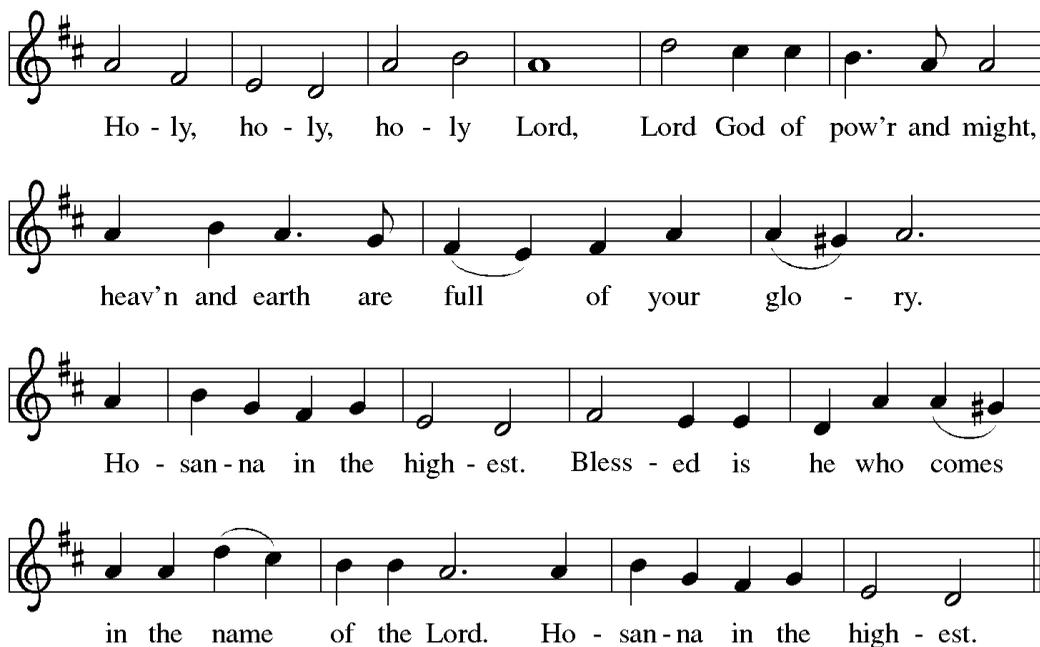
P. It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise. All glory and honor be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, ever living God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, who for love of our fallen race humbled himself, was born of the Virgin Mary by the power of your Spirit, and lived as one of us.

In this mystery of the Word made flesh you have caused his light to shine in our hearts, to give knowledge of your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.

In him we see our God made visible and so are caught up in the love of the God we cannot see.

Therefore with all the angels of heaven we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name and sing our joyful hymn of praise:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
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.

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- 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, 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.

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 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.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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

**C: 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

P. Come to God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all
 C. Thanks be to God.

Please be Seated

LAMB OF GOD

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, grant us peace.

COMMUNION

At Saint Paul everyone is invited to come forward to join our congregational

*family for Holy Communion. We believe that we receive the forgiveness of our sins through the bread and wine, the body and blood of Christ. Those who do not yet receive communion are welcome to come to the altar for a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available. **Wine is received with the pouring chalice and individual glasses or with the pre-filled sets (available at the entrances).** Grape juice is also available. Please indicate your preference to the server.*

COMMUNION MUSIC

May God be Gracious to Us

Johann Pachelbel

Please Stand as Able

COMMUNION BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A. We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ.

C. **Amen.**

THE SENDING

BLESSING

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.

C. **Amen.**

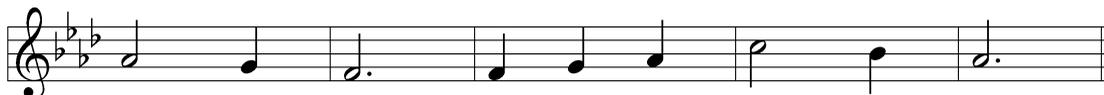
O God of Mercy, God of Light



1 O God of mer - cy, God of light, in love and
 2 You sent your Son to die for all, that our lost
 3 Teach us the les - son Je - sus taught: to feel for
 4 For all are kin - dred, far and wide, since Je - sus



mer - cy in - fi - nite, teach us, as ev - er
 world might hear your call; oh, hear us lest we
 those his blood has bought, that ev - 'ry deed and
 Christ for all has died; grant us the will, and



in your sight, to live our lives in you.
 stray and fall! We rest our hope in you.
 word and thought may work a work for you.
 grace pro - vide to love them all in you.

5 In sickness, sorrow, want, or care,
 each other's burdens help us share;
 may we, where help is needed, there
 give help as though to you.

6 And may your Holy Spirit move
 all those who live to live in love,
 till you receive in heav'n above
 those who have lived to you.

Text: Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, alt.

Music: JUST AS I AM, Joseph Barnby, 1838–1896

DISMISSAL

A: At St. Paul we gather to be fed, offer our praise and depart:

C: To Boldly Share God's Word and Unconditional Love with all..

A: Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the Good News.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE If You But Trust in God to Guide You (ELW #769) J.S. Bach

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COMMEMORATIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, February 14

Cyril, monk, died 869; Methodius, bishop, died 885; missionaries to the Slavs

These two brothers from Thessalonika, Greece, were monks and were sent to bring Christianity to the Slavic people. In the course of their work they created a written language, inventing the Cyrillic alphabet for it, and translated the Bible and the liturgy.

Friday, February 18

Martin Luther, renewer of the church, died 1546

Though he began his adult church life as a simple Augustinian monk, Luther challenged the abuses he saw in the church, and his work eventually led to the Protestant Reformation. Luther's accomplishments included liturgical reform, translation of the Bible, and creation of the Small and Large Catechisms.

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Blessings and curses abound on the sixth Sunday after Epiphany. We would do well to listen closely to whom the "blessed are" 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.



MEET OUR STAFF

Lead Pastor:

The Rev. Titus Clarke

Organist/Choir Accompanist:

Jungwha Kim

Missionaries:

Dr. Stephen J. & Jodi Lynn Swanson

Youth and Young Adult Ministry:

Holly Cleck, Heidi Kaufman,
Sarah Marrero-Boyd

Senior Choir Director:

Jim McPherson

Technical Support:

Moses Kavishe

God’s Vision for St. Paul is:

To Boldly Share God’s Word and Unconditional Love with All

Our Guiding Principles

Grow Spiritually as Disciples of Jesus	Care Genuinely for One Another with the Love of Christ
Welcome and Accept People Where They Are	Serve Joyfully as Jesus’ Hands and Feet in the World
Give Generously to be a Part of God’s Work	Invite Others to Join with Us in the Body of Christ

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