

*Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany*  
*February 13, 2022*



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## WHAT'S THE POINT?

**PRESERVICE MUSIC**    “Renew Me, O Eternal Light (arr. Manz);  
   “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee” (arr. Hobby)

**A Reminder: Please be respectful to our brothers and sisters who use the  
time prior to worship for quiet meditation on God's Word. - Thank you!**

## 904 BLESSED JESUS, AT YOUR WORD

- 1    Blessèd Jesus, at Your Word  
      We are gathered all to hear You.  
      Let our hearts and souls be stirred  
      Now to seek and love and fear You,  
      By Your teachings, sweet and holy,  
      Drawn from earth to love You solely.
- 2    All our knowledge, sense, and sight  
      Lie in deepest darkness shrouded  
      Till Your Spirit breaks our night  
      With the beams of truth unclouded.  
      You alone to God can win us;  
      You must work all good within us.
- 3    Gracious Savior, good and kind,  
      Light of Light, from God proceeding,  
      Open now our heart and mind;  
      Help us by Your Spirit's pleading.  
      Hear the cry Your Church now raises;  
      Hear and bless our prayers and praises.
- △ 4    Father, Son, and Spirit, Lord,  
      Praise to You and adoration!  
      Grant that we may trust Your Word,  
      Confident of our salvation,  
      While we here below must wander,  
      Till we sing Your praises yonder.

## MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.    *Romans 6:23*

## INVOCATION

**P**    In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**G**    Amen.

## OPENING SENTENCES

*Psalms 30:10; 43:3; Proverbs 4:18; Isaiah 2:5b*

**P**    Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me!  
**G**    **O LORD, be my helper.**  
**P**    Send out Your light and Your truth; let them lead me;  
**G**    **let them bring me to Your holy hill and to Your dwelling!**

- P** The path of the righteous is like the light of dawn,  
**C** **which shines brighter and brighter until full day.**  
**Come, let us walk in the light of the LORD.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P** Let us now make confession of our sins. 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, Your Son, our Lord.
- C** **Amen.**
- P** Assured of God's great mercy, let us confess together that we, by our darkened, sinful nature, are estranged from God, and by our thoughts, words, and deeds have sinned and deserve His condemnation now and eternally.
- C** **Almighty God, we repent of our sins in thought and in word and in deed. Although we deserve Your just punishment, we ask for Your unmerited blessing. Be merciful to us and for the sake of Jesus grant us Your forgiveness so that, as Your redeemed people, we may be made bright by Your presence in our lives, joyfully serving You in time and through eternity.**
- P** In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

## HYMN OF THE MONTH - 825 RISE, SHINE, YOU PEOPLE

Quoting Isaiah 60, this hymn calls God's people to shine, hinting also at Jesus' words in the Sermon on the Mount: "Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." Matthew 5:16. Our Christian light originates in Christ, the Son of God, who "entered our human story" and came to save us!

- 1 Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered  
Our human story; God in Him is centered.  
He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded,  
With grace unbounded.
- 2 See how He sends the pow'rs of evil reeling;  
He brings us freedom, light and life and healing.  
All men and women, who by guilt are driven,  
Now are forgiven.
- 3 Come, celebrate, your banners high unfurling,  
Your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling.  
To all the world go out and tell the story  
Of Jesus' glory.
- 4 Tell how the Father sent His Son to save us.  
Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us.  
Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation  
His new creation.

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## SALUTATION

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

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Let us pray. O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Jeremiah 17:5–8*

<sup>5</sup>Thus says the LORD: “Cursed is the man who trusts in man and makes flesh his strength, whose heart turns away from the LORD. <sup>6</sup>He is like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see any good come. He shall dwell in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. <sup>7</sup>“Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. <sup>8</sup>He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit.”

- L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

## EPISTLE

*1 Corinthians 15:12–20*

<sup>12</sup>Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? <sup>13</sup>But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. <sup>14</sup>And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. <sup>15</sup>We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about 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, not even Christ has been raised. <sup>17</sup>And 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 fallen asleep in Christ have perished. <sup>19</sup>If in 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 firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

- L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

**SOLO** “I Believe” (Fortune) Karen Hassey

## HOLY GOSPEL

*Luke 6:17–26*

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixth chapter.
- C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>17</sup>[Jesus] 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 and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, <sup>18</sup>who came 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 the crowd sought to touch him, for power came out from him and healed them all. <sup>20</sup>And he lifted up his eyes on 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 shall be satisfied. “Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh. <sup>22</sup>“Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you and revile you and spurn your name as evil, on account of the Son of Man! <sup>23</sup>Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers 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 shall be hungry. “Woe to you who laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep. <sup>26</sup>“Woe to you, when all people speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets.

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### 486 IF CHRIST HAD NOT BEEN RAISED FROM DEATH

- 1 If Christ had not been raised from death Our faith would be in vain,  
Our preaching but a waste of breath, Our sin and guilt remain.  
But now the Lord is ris'n indeed; He rules in earth and heav'n:  
His Gospel meets a world of need— In Christ we are forgiv'n.
- 2 If Christ still lay within the tomb Then death would be the end,  
And we should face our final doom With neither guide nor friend.  
But now the Savior is raised up, So when a Christian dies  
We mourn, yet look to God in hope— In Christ the saints arise!
- 3 If Christ had not been truly raised His Church would live a lie;  
His name should nevermore be praised, His words deserve to die.  
But now our great Redeemer lives; Through Him we are restored;  
His Word endures, His Church revives In Christ, our risen Lord.

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**SERMON** “What's the point?” 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

**CREED** Early Service – Apostles' Creed Late Service – Nicene Creed  
*(Creed can be found in the back of the hymnal and on the screens)*

### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*After each petition, please respond with the following:*

**P** let us pray to the Lord,

**C** Lord, have mercy.

*At the end of the prayer:*

**C** Amen.

***Early service please continue with the Lord's Prayer & Benediction***

**+ SACRAMENT +**

### PREFACE

**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 Him thanks and praise.

### PROPER PREFACE

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## SANCTUS

LSB 161

- C** Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:  
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.  
Hosanna. Hosanna.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

## LORD'S PRAYER

## PAX DOMINI

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

## AGNUS DEI

LSB 163

- C** 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.

## + DISTRIBUTION HYMNS +

## 704 RENEW ME, O ETERNAL LIGHT

- 1 Renew me, O eternal Light, And let my heart and soul be bright,  
Illumined with the light of grace That issues from Your holy face.
- 2 Remove the pow'r of sin from me And cleanse all my impurity  
That I may have the strength and will Temptations of the flesh to still.
- 3 Create in me a new heart, Lord, That gladly I obey Your Word.  
Let what You will be my desire, And with new life my soul inspire.
- 4 Grant that I only You may love And seek those things which are above  
Till I behold You face to face, O Light eternal, through Your grace.

## 741 JESUS CHRIST, MY SURE DEFENSE

sts. 1–4

- 1 Jesus Christ, my sure defense  
And my Savior, now is living!  
Knowing this, my confidence  
Rests upon the hope here given,  
Though the night of death be fraught  
Still with many\_an anxious thought.
- 2 Jesus, my Redeemer, lives;  
Likewise I to life shall waken.  
He will bring me where He is;  
Shall my courage then be shaken?  
Shall I fear, or could the Head  
Rise and leave His members dead?

- 3 No, too closely I am bound  
By my hope to Christ forever;  
Faith's strong hand the Rock has found,  
Grasped it, and will leave it never;  
Even death now cannot part  
From its Lord the trusting heart.
- 4 I am flesh and must return  
To the dust, whence I am taken;  
But by faith I now discern  
That from death I shall awaken  
With my Savior to abide  
In His glory, at His side.

## **761 ROCK OF AGES, CLEFT FOR ME**

- 1 Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
Let me hide myself in Thee;  
Let the water and the blood,  
From Thy riven side which flowed,  
Be of sin the double cure:  
Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
- 2 Not the labors of my hands  
Can fulfill Thy Law's demands;  
Could my zeal no respite know,  
Could my tears forever flow,  
All for sin could not atone;  
Thou must save, and Thou alone.
- 3 Nothing in my hand I bring;  
Simply to Thy cross I cling.  
Naked, come to Thee for dress;  
Helpless, look to Thee for grace;  
Foul, I to the fountain fly;  
Wash me, Savior, or I die.
- 4 While I draw this fleeting breath,  
When mine eyelids close in death,  
When I soar to worlds unknown,  
See Thee on Thy judgment throne,  
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
Let me hide myself in Thee.

## **POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

- P** Let us pray. God, the gracious giver of all blessings, we thank You for having fed us with the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ, assuring us thereby that we are truly members of His Body, the Church. Sanctify us by the working of Your Holy Spirit that we may continue in this fellowship and do the good works You desire us to do; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, to whom with You and the same Spirit be all honor and glory, forever and ever.

**C** Amen.

## BENEDICAMUS

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## BENEDICTION

**P** 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.

**C** Amen.

## 643 SENT FORTH BY GOD'S BLESSING

- 1 Sent forth by God's blessing,  
Our true faith confessing,  
The people of God from His dwelling take leave.  
The Supper is ended.  
O now be extended  
The fruits of this service in all who believe.  
The seed of His teaching,  
Receptive souls reaching,  
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.  
His grace did invite us,  
His love shall unite us  
To work for God's kingdom and answer His call.
- 2 With praise and thanksgiving  
To God ever-living,  
The tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face.  
Our faith ever sharing,  
In love ever caring,  
Embracing His children of each tribe and race.  
With Your feast You feed us,  
With Your light now lead us;  
Unite us as one in this life that we share.  
Then may all the living  
With praise and thanksgiving  
Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.

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# Congregation at Prayer and Devotions for the Week

**Invocation** In the name of the Father, and of the Son  $\text{✠}$ , and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Introit** (found on front page)

**Catechism Review** (found on front page)

**Meditation:** Portals of Prayer, [www.lhm.org/dailydevotions](http://www.lhm.org/dailydevotions), Other

## ***Daily Scripture Readings***

Sunday: Job 9:1-35; John 4:46-54  
Monday: Job 10:1-22; John 5:1-18  
Tuesday: Job 11:1-20; John 5:19-29  
Wednesday: Job 12:1-6, 12-25; John 5:30-47  
Thursday: Job 13:1-12; John 6:1-21  
Friday: Job 13:13-28; John 6:22-40  
Saturday: Job 14:1-22; John 6:41-59

## ***In Our Prayers This Week (as of Thursday morning)***

Nichole, recovering from Covid	Cindy, Covid
Eunice, health issues	Linda, brain cancer
Wes, health issues	Mary, Jan's sister-in-law, cancer
Del, health issues	Voss, infant recovering from an accident
Jack, ongoing health issues	Elgart, cancer
June, health issues	Lauren's mother
Mehria in the Middle East, safety	Shirley, health issues
Blake	Nancy, health issues
Al, health issues	Dave, health issues
Jim, cancer	Jim, Parkinson's
Tom, cancer	Steve, Guillain-Barre Syndrome
Marv, recovering	Duane, cancer
Margo, health issues	Shirley, recovering
Mike's mother - Jean, health issues	Debbie
Julie, cancer	Dexter, recovery
Sidney, granddaughter of Steinke's with medical issues	

For those in nursing homes, medical professionals, and those whose employment is in question.  
For peace and humility to dwell in the hearts of the people of our world.  
Christians and all people living in terror in the Middle East and throughout the world.

**Our Savior Families:** Lily, Amy & Family, Scott & Family, Dan & Sharon, Robert & Carol

**Hymn of the Week** "If Christ had not been raised from death" LSB 486

**Collect** (found on front page)

**Apostles' Creed, Lord's Prayer, Benediction**