

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

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*A Christ Caring People Who Gather Around Word and Sacrament,
Yoked Together, In Personal Service to Christ in World Wide Missions*



✠ DIVINE SERVICE ✠

OPENING HYMN

"Holy Spirit, Light Divine"

(LSB 496)

INVOCATION

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

EXHORTATION

- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C who made heaven and earth.
P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

CONFESSION *and* ABSOLUTION

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and 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.

† WORD †

INTROIT

Psalm 98:7-9; (antiphon: Ps. 98:2)

P The Lord has made known his salvation;
he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

C Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
the world and those who dwell in it!

P Let the rivers clap their hands; let the hills sing for joy together before the LORD,
for he comes to judge the earth.

C He will judge the world with righteousness,
And the peoples with equity.

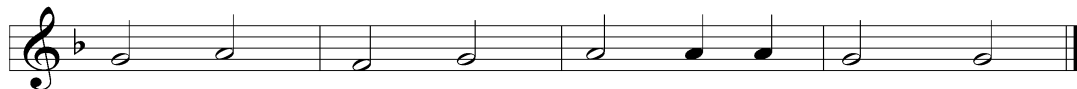
C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P The Lord has made known his salvation;
he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

KYRIE



C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
 O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.
 O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
 that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.
 Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.
 Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-
 on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

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 the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and

the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

(Please be seated)

OLD TESTAMENT

Deuteronomy 30:15–20

(The offer of life or death)

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

"In This Very Room" (*words & music by Ron & Carol Harris*)

Randy Hartmann, vocal soloist

EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 3:1–9

(The Church and her leaders)

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

(Please stand)

ALLELUIA



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 5:21–37

(The heart of the Law revealed)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

After the reading:

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

BIBLE LESSON

SERMON HYMN

“Songs of Thankfulness and Praise”

(LSB 394)

SERMON

“Leave Your Gift”

(Matthew 5:21-37)

Pastor Sam Handschke

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8:30 am

Apostles’

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11:00 am

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OFFERTORY

C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

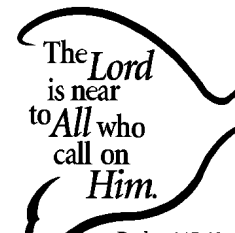
SHARING GOD’S PEACE

(Please stand)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

P Almighty God, the seas roar and the rivers clap their hands because You come to judge the earth. Receive our thanks that You declare us



righteous by water and the Word, and grant that we would live in that baptismal grace until You come in glory. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Heavenly Father, You make us Your children in Baptism and desire that we grow and mature in the faith. Bless pastors, teachers, parents and all who teach Your Word, and give us a constant desire to hear and obey it. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Almighty God, You condemn unrighteous anger even as You command, “You shall not murder.” You have poured out Your righteous anger on Your Son at the cross, that we might be reconciled to You. Where there is division, move us to repent and seek reconciliation with one another so that we might live in peace. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P God of life, You condemn sexually impure thoughts even as You command, “You shall not commit adultery.” Deliver us from lustful thoughts and defend us from the temptations of pornography, that we may lead a sexually pure and decent life in what we say and do. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P O God, the Author of truth, You command us, “You shall not swear falsely.” Give us faith to acknowledge Your Word and, by Your strength, do what You command. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord of all, You judge the peoples in righteousness and equity. Give wisdom to our nation’s authorities, preserve us from unjust division and cause us to love one another. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord, our God, You are our life and our length of days. Sustain and strengthen those who suffer sickness and affliction, [*especially* _____,] and comfort all who mourn [*especially* _____] with the promise of everlasting life in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Almighty God, You give growth to the Church by Your Holy Word and Sacraments. Preserve Your people from the wisdom of the world, which creates division and follows after the winds of the age. Unite the Church in a common confession of Your

truth. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

The 8:30 am service continues on page 11 with the Benediction.

IN REGARD TO HOLY COMMUNION: According to Scripture, Holy Communion should be celebrated by those who are: **United in a common faith** (1 Cor. 10:16-17, 21-22; Rom. 16:17); **Repentant of sins** (1 Cor. 5:11, Matt. 18:17-18); **Able to examine their lives** (1 Cor. 11:27-29); and believe that in this precious meal they **receive the true body and blood of Jesus** given and shed for the forgiveness of their sins (Luke 22:19-22).

Since Scripture teaches that those people who do not fully understand the meaning of this meal eat and drink to their own harm (1Cor. 11:27-29), and because the Lord's Supper is the supreme act of stating our unity in faith and doctrine, we would ask those people who are visiting with us to **please speak with our pastor**, before communing, in order that we might fulfill our responsibility of properly instructing people in the right use of the precious Sacrament.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

11:00 am

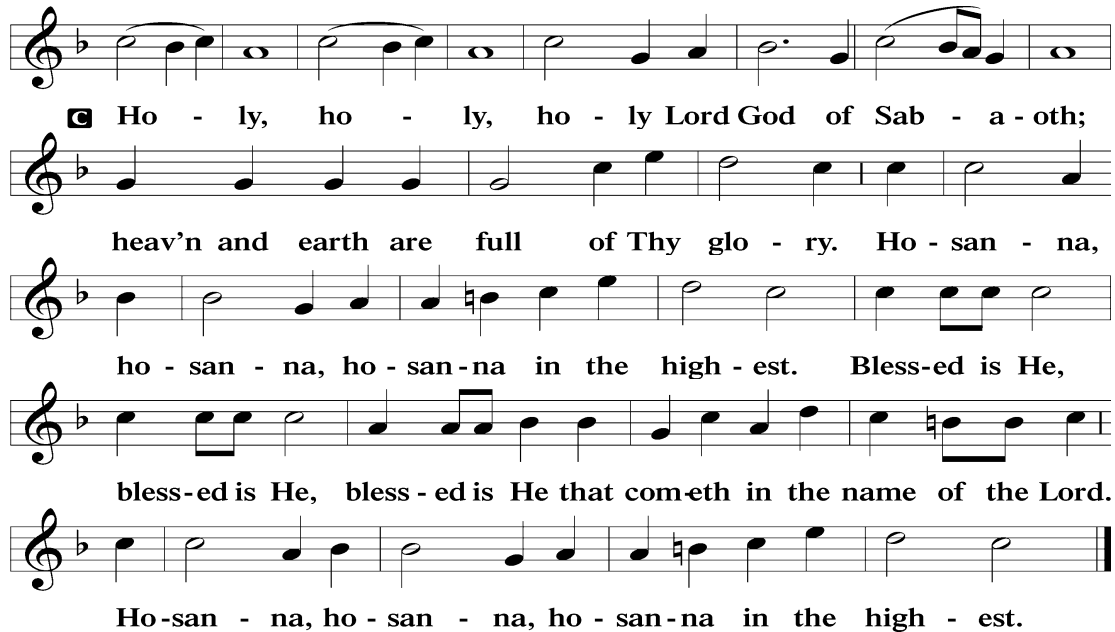
PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
- P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.
- C** **It is meet and right so to do.**
- P** It is truly meet, 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, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tress of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. 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



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
 heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,
 ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,
 bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25

PAX DOMINI

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

AGNUS DEI



☐ O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

(Please be seated)

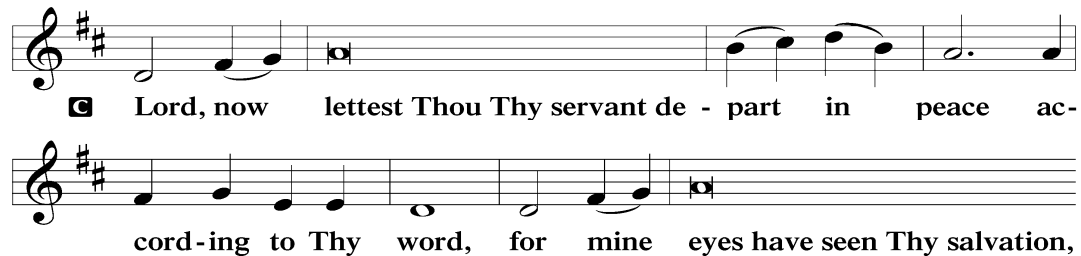
DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways" (LSB 707)
"Come, Thou Fount of Ev'ry Blessing" (LSB 686)



(Please stand)

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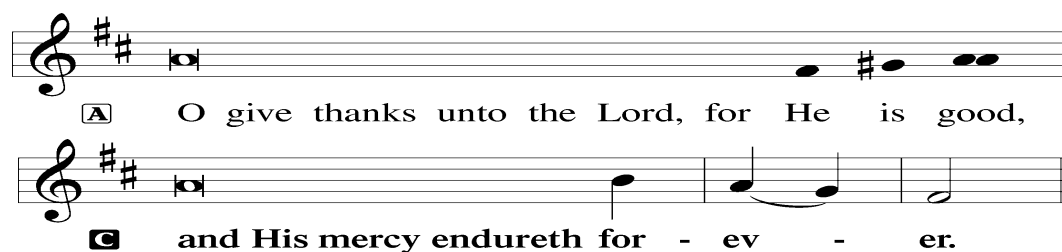


☐ Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

THANKSGIVING



A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

BENEDICAMUS

P Bless we the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24–26

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.

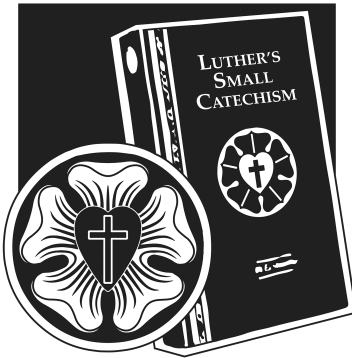
CLOSING HYMN

“On What Has Now Been Sown”

(LSB 921)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY



AS WE GATHER What is the Fifth Commandment? Answer: You shall not murder. You are right. But what does this mean? The disciples needed a little review in today’s Gospel. So do we, for its meaning is deeper and more pervasive than we may think. When it comes to matters of the Christian faith and life, we never know it all or remember God’s Word consistently. Remember Martin Luther’s comment about those who would read the catechism once and then throw it in a corner as if they had already mastered it. Yet he who put it together,

though he had advanced academic degrees, knew he needed to study God’s Word over and over again. God’s Word doesn’t change, but we do. New challenges, new situations in life call for new insight and continuous instruction in God’s living Word.

Help us Your holy Law to learn, To mourn our sin and from it turn

If there are prayer concerns for you, your family, your friends, or your neighbors, please put them on the back of the blue attendance/communion card. Our Board of Elders are prayerful with our pastors about these joys and struggles of our earthly journey.

"The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." James 5:16b

Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran on this Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany!

We are delighted to have you in worship with us. If you are visiting from out of town, we bid you welcome and God-speed on your journey. Should you be from our community, and have no church home, we invite you to make Faith your church home.

Preaching today is Rev. Sam Handschke.

Holy Communion is celebrated at our 11:00 service this Sunday. In this Sacrament, our Lord gives His true body and blood for our forgiveness. Those who confess the faith declared at this altar and who desire to receive communion today are asked to read our communion statement found in the bulletin. Thank you.



Want to listen to our worship service via livestream? Go to: www.faithluth.com. Click on livestream and it will take you to the service or if you have missed the service it will take you to the archived services. We livestream our 8:30 service each Sunday.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Wed. Feb. 1, Att. 80; Offering \$245.00; **Sun., Feb. 5, Att. 204;** General Fund \$10,176.15; Sunday School Offering \$6.00; Building Fund \$275.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; HVAC System \$100.00; Bible Study \$204.00; Endowment Fund (Generations) \$50.00.

Endowment Fund When giving to the Endowment Fund **PLEASE** make it a **SEPARATE CHECK**. Must be a **CHECK** as the account doesn't accept cash for the deposit. It is not always easy to find a check for the correct amount to substitute for cash or for a check made out for multiple purposes that includes an Endowment donation. The counters would greatly appreciate your help in this matter. Thank you.

Dance Lessons Want to get out and do something fun on a Sunday afternoon? The Board of Parish Fellowship will be offering dance lessons for the Jitterbug from 2 pm-4 pm in the Fellowship Hall (Gym) **TODAY and Sunday, Feb. 19.** Singles are welcome. Two left feet are welcomed too. Invite your friends. Even if you know how, it would be awesome to have you there. Come for the fellowship, learn a fun way to exercise and enjoy the laughter.



**Church Photo
Directory**



If you have had your photo taken for the Church Directory (and did not order extras, maybe even if you did order) your FREE 8 x 10 is on the table in the Living Room. Please pick yours up today. Your name will be on the envelope so it should be easy to find.

If you were unable to make an appointment to have your picture in our church directory, **you may submit a photo that we can scan and put in the directory.** We would love to have all of our members in the directory. This is a wonderful way for our congregants to get to identify one another and to match a face to a name. It is especially helpful to new members. If any of your contact numbers have changed please let us know so our directory can be as complete as possible. Thanks!

Men's Club We will meet each Monday evening to practice for the Dartball tournament coming up the first weekend in March (March 4). Come any time after 5pm. We will meet in Jon's Place upstairs above the Preschool room. If anyone is interested please feel free to join us. High school youth and women are welcome.

Friendship Sunday



Join us after our 11:00 service for our Friendship Sunday meal and activities. Bring your friends. Wear your favorite jersey. We will have trivia and prizes.

Faith Lutheran Youth 

High School Girls Bible Study – All High School girls are invited to join in on this Bible Study. Come and bring friends! This study will began Monday, February 6, 2023. The study will be every Monday at 7:00 PM. Please contact Cassandra Ryckman for details - 222-4895.

2023 Bible Bowl

The 2023 Bible Bowl is scheduled for March 25, 2023 at Faith Lutheran Church in Pierre from 9:00am to 1:00pm.

The topic will be Genesis 37-50 and Exodus 1-20 (English Standard Version) and the Ten Commandments from Luther's Small Catechism (pp. 52-127; **2017 version – notice this a change from past years!**).

The schedule begins with a brief judges' meeting at 9:00 am. Then we begin with an opening devotion at 9:30 am. The individual competition will take place at approximately 11:00 am.

This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: Feb. 12 Friendship Sunday

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study
11:00 am Communion
12-2 pm Friendship Meal & Activities
2-4 pm BoPF Dance Lessons in Gym
5-8 pm Oahe Riding Club Banquet
6:30 pm 1, 2, 3, John Bible Study
7:30 pm Board of Missions

Mon: Feb. 13

5:00 pm Men's Club Dartball Practice
7:00 pm LWML

Tues: Feb. 14 Valentine's Day

8:00 am Staff Devotions
9:30 am Circuit Pastors Conference
10:30 am Women's Bible Study
6-9 pm Fastpitch

Wed: Feb. 15

6:00 pm Midweek/Catechism
6:00 pm Lamentations Study
6:00 pm Romans Bible Study
7:00 pm Chapel/Communion
8:00 pm LYF

Thurs: Feb. 16

8:00 am Staff Devotions
6:00 pm Rebekah Circle
7:00 pm Psalms Bible Study in Sanct.

Sun: Feb. 19

8:30 am Communion
9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study
11:00 am Worship
2-4 pm BoPF Dance Lessons in Gym
5:00 pm Board of Education
6:30 pm 1, 2, 3, John Bible Study