

Evangelical Lutheran Church of Durham

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February 13 , 2022 – SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

10:30 AM - Worship

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Piano Prelude - “The Light of the World is Jesus” - Arr. Mark Hayes

Welcome - Announcements - Welcome our Guest Preacher,

Rev. Marcia Bell

Introduction to Worship

Confession and Forgiveness (Stand if you are able)

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

Amen.

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

Most merciful God,

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.

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.

Amen.

Opening Hymn - ELW #717 - “*Let Justice Flow Like Streams*” vs. 1, 3
(Stand if you are able)

Greeting

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

PEOPLE: **AND ALSO WITH YOU**

Prayer of the Day

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. *Amen.*

(Please be Seated)

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 heart 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 preserve- 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.

Lector: **The Word of the Lord.**

PEOPLE: **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

Psalm 1 (read responsively)

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!

**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 judgement 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.**

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.

Lector: **The Word of the Lord**

PEOPLE: **THANKS BE TO GOD**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Please stand)

ELW# 318 - "Alleluia, Song of Gladness" vs. 1

Pastor: **The holy gospel according to Luke:**

PEOPLE: **GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.**

The Holy Gospel - Luke 6: 17-26

[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. 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 on 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.”

Pastor: **The gospel of the Lord.**

PEOPLE: **PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.**

(Be seated after the gospel)

Message/ Sermon - Rev. Marcia Bell

Hymn of the Day - ELW #728 - “Blest are They” vs. 1, 2

NICENE' CREED (Please stand , if able)

**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.

Prayers and Intercessions:

Pastor: Hear us, O God.

People: YOUR MERCY IS GREAT.

The Lord's Prayer

Sharing of the Peace

Blessing (Pastor) : 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. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn- ELW #726 - "*Light Dawns on a Weary World*"

(Stand if you are able)

Dismissal:

Pastor: Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.

PEOPLE: **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

Organ Postlude - "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" - Arr. G. Young

Helping in Worship

Preacher	- Rev. Marcia Bell
Organist/Choir Director	- Carolyn Williams
Acolyte	- Chase Aquino
Altar Guild	- Barb Naska and Bea von Watzdorf
Lector	- Bea von Watzdorf
Usher	- Joe Hlavaty
Council Counting Team	- Mark Harwick and Barb Naska
Technology	- Ken Anderson
Office Secretary	- Jessica Mette
Custodian	- Dianna Streletz

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- TODAY, Sunday, February 13th - Sixth Sunday after Epiphany with Rev. Marcia Bell
- Next Sunday, February 20th - Seventh Sunday after Epiphany - with Rev. James Heckman
- The Adult Sunday School class will not be meeting in February
- The Adult Bible study will resume on Thursday February 17th
- FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS - FEBRUARY 13th- Miriam Anderson; FEBRUARY 15TH- Norma Fox; FEBRUARY 16th- Kathy Haney; FEBRUARY 17th- Betty Kreitz; FEBRUARY 20th- Esther Crouse
- FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES- FEBRUARY 15TH- Betty & George Kreitz (64)
- FEBRUARY BAPTISMS - FEBRUARY 19th - Kathleen Miller
- FEBRUARY "OUTREACH OFFERINGS" go to our Local Food Banks

Please lift the following up in prayer: ...

For Healing of those in our Congregation: Michael Altemus; Joanne & David Antoni; Norma Fox; Virginia Hager; Betty and George Kreitz; Paul McGinn; Dot Peterman; Steven Streletz; Carolyn Williams and Joanne and Bobby Ziegenfuss.

For Healing of Friends and Family: Lynn Bailey; Ron & Kathy Ballek; Jason Bigley; Kelly Bordelon; Deb Carmichael; Bill Corrigan; Lisa & Dave DeLorenzo; Rev. Dennis Durasoff ; Nancy Edelen; Chris Fear; Fred Foerster; Gerry Foran; Gabriella Froehlich; Ken Garey; Candie Gimbar; Clarence Hoover Jr ; George & Lois James; Jesse; Virginia Johnson; Mary Ellen Jonczyk; Lauren Keebler; Martine King; Betty Kreitz ;Chelsea Marley; Lucia Otero; Lisa Pezzino; Donnie Pyne; Connie Rugen; Linda Saunders; David Sebring; Alex Sempt; Ron Steele; Jesse Stimell; Donna Storm; Russ Trauger; and Linda Wilson.

For those who are Homebound: Cleo & Ken Eck; Phyllis Lanshe; Jayne Miller; Silas Rodenbach; and Hal Taylor.

For those in Health Care: Including Sara Aquino; Debbie Angstadt; Kendell Beerer; Mary Crouse; Sara Deal Den Herder; Mary Erceg; Faye Gadwell; Morgan Litz; Tanya Naska; and Kristi Lee Reiman