



St. Augustine's Church

A Church Family in the Heart of the City



February 13, 2022, 10:00 AM

Sixth Sunday After Epiphany

Morning Prayer

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Children's Focus

Mary Lee Voort

The Rev. Steve Bateman

Wendy Doherty

Opening Hymn #584 "The Church of Christ in Every Age" (tune #27)

The church of Christ in every age, beset by change but spirit-led,
must claim and test its heritage and keep on rising from the dead.

Across the world, across the street, the victims of injustice cry
for shelter and for bread to eat, and never live until they die.

Then let the servant church arise, a caring church that longs to be
a partner in Christ's sacrifice, and clothes in Christ's humanity.

For He alone, whose blood was shed, can cure the fever in our blood,
and teach us how to share our bread and feed the starving multitude.

We have no mission but to serve in full obedience to our Lord:
to care for all, without reserve, and spread his liberating word.

The Penitential Rite

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit: a broken and contrite heart, O God,
you will not despise. Psalm 51.18

Seek the Lord while he wills to be found, call upon him when he draws near;
let the wicked forsake their ways, and the evil ones their thoughts; and let
them return to the Lord, and he will have compassion, and to our God, for he
will richly pardon.

Isaiah 55.6, 7

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
But if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins
and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1.8, 9

The officiant says to the people,

Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

All kneel and silence is kept. The officiant and people say together,

Most merciful God, we confess that 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 neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Officiant Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

(all stand)

Officiant Lord, open our lips,

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.

People **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

All **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!**

The Invitatory

The Lord is our refuge and strength: **O come, let us worship.**

Venite Psalm 95.1–7

**Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**

**For the Lord is a great God, *
and a great king above all gods.
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, ***

**and the heights of the hills are his also.
The sea is his for he made it, *
and his hands have moulded the dry land.**

**Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our maker.
For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!**

The Proclamation of the Word

*At the conclusion of each reading, the reader shall say:
And the people shall respond:*

**The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.**

First Reading Jeremiah 17:5-10

Judith Robinson

This is what the Lord says:

“Cursed is the one who trusts in man,
who draws strength from mere flesh
and whose heart turns away from the Lord.

⁶ That person will be like a bush in the wastelands;
they will not see prosperity when it comes.

They will dwell in the parched places of the desert,
in a salt land where no one lives.

⁷ “But blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord,
whose confidence is in him.

⁸ They will be like a tree planted by the water
that sends out its roots by the stream.

It does not fear when heat comes;
its leaves are always green.

It has no worries in a year of drought
and never fails to bear fruit.”

⁹ The heart is deceitful above all things
and beyond cure.

Who can understand it?

¹⁰ “I the Lord search the heart
and examine the mind,
to reward each person according to their conduct,
according to what their deeds deserve.”

Psalm 1

Karen Hudson, cantor

George Black



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!
Their delight is in your law O God,
and they meditate on it day and night. R.

They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season,
with leaves that do not wither;
everything they do shall prosper. R.

It is not so with the wicked;
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgement comes,
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
For God knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked is doomed. R.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Len Robinson

² But if it is preached that Christ has been raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³ If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁴ And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith. ¹⁵ More than that, we are then found to be false witnesses about God, for we have testified about God that he raised Christ from the dead. But he did not raise him if in fact the dead are not raised. ¹⁶ For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised either. ¹⁷ And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. ¹⁸ Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost. ¹⁹ If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰ But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

Gradual Hymn "Blessed Are the Persecuted"

Blessed are the persecuted,
for Jesus Christ is living within them. (2x)

Refrain:

Great will be their reward;
they shall be given a crown
when the Lord comes from heaven to meet them. (2x)

Blessed are they who are hungry
in spirit, for the Lord lies within them. (2x) Refrain.

Blessed are they pure in heart,
For Jesus Christ is living within them. (2x) Refrain.

Blessed are they who are thirsty
In spirit, for the Lord lives within them. (2x) Refrain.

Gospel Reading Luke 6:17-26

The Rev. Canon James Robinson

Reader The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

He went down with them and stood on a level place. A large crowd of his disciples was there and a great number of people from all over Judea, from Jerusalem, and from the coastal region around Tyre and Sidon, ¹⁸ who had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. Those troubled by impure spirits were cured, ¹⁹ and the people all tried to touch him, because power was coming from him and healing them all.

²⁰ Looking at his disciples, he said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹ Blessed are you who hunger now,
for you will be satisfied.

Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

²² Blessed are you when people hate you,
when they exclude you and insult you

and reject your name as evil,
because of the Son of Man.

²³ “Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in heaven. For that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

²⁴ “But woe to you who are rich,
for you have already received your comfort.

²⁵ Woe to you who are well fed now,
for you will go hungry.

Woe to you who laugh now,
for you will mourn and weep.

²⁶ Woe to you when everyone speaks well of you,
for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.

Reader The Gospel of Christ.

People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Gillian Breckenridge

Anthem

“Lead me, Lord ” – arr. Mark Hayes
Monica Baczuk, flute

The Apostles’ Creed (*all stand*)

Celebrant Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

All

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayers of the People (*all kneeling*)

Bev Dorchak

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for The Nippon Sei Ko Kai.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: In our Diocese we pray for St. Stephen, Calgary, and The Rev. Jagdutt Singh and The Rev. Rosemary Bishop.

In the Companion Diocese of the Windward Islands we pray for St. Paul, Calliaqua with St. John Belair and The Rev. Canon Ashton Francis.

Parish Cycle of Prayer: We pray for those who are involved in ministry of Administration: Parish Treasurer, Envelope Secretary, New Connections Team and Facility Booking Coordinator.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray. *(All kneel)*

All **Almighty and everliving God, whose Son Jesus Christ healed the sick and restored them to wholeness of life, look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your power make whole all peoples and nations; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Closing Hymn 631 "The Kingdom of God is Justice and Joy"

The kingdom of God is justice and joy, for Jesus restores
what sin would destroy. God's power and glory
in Jesus we know, and here and here-after the kingdom shall grow.

The kingdom of God is mercy and grace; the captives are freed,
the sinners find place. The outcasts are welcomed God's banquet to share,
and hope is awakened in place of despair.

The kingdom of God is challenge and choice: believe the good news,
repent and rejoice! His love for us sinners
brought Christ to his cross, our crisis of judgement for gain and for loss.

God's kingdom is come, the gift and the goal,
in Jesus begun, in heaven made whole. The heirs of the kingdom
shall answer his call, and all things cry "Glory"! to God All-in-All.

Dismissal **The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all evermore. Amen**

Postlude “Children of the Heavenly Father” – arr. Mark Albrecht
 Monica Baczuk, flute and Mary Lee Voort, piano.

Flowers on the altar are in loving memory
of George by Wendy, Joseph and Jack.

Thank you to our musicians today:
Monica Baczuk (guest), Joanne Collier, Brandon DeGorter,
Keith Griffioen, Karen Hudson, and Mary Lee Voort.

Thank you to our technical crew this morning:
Sound: Brad Gillespie, David Hignell; Videography: Time Fyfe and Orion Legg



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