

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY ~ FEBRUARY 13, 2022



“Blessed are you
WHEN PEOPLE HATE YOU ...
BECAUSE OF THE
SON OF MAN.
Rejoice in that day ...
BECAUSE
GREAT IS YOUR
REWARD IN
HEAVEN.”

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If it is uncomfortable for you to stand where indicated, please feel free to remain seated. The congregation responds where it is bold print.



Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

please stand as you are able

Confession and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism,
as the presiding minister begins.*

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.

Silence is kept for reflection.

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 live 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

“Open My Eyes, That I May See”

SSP #73

Greeting

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

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. Amen.**

please be seated

First Reading

Jeremiah 17:5 - 10

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.

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

Psalm 1

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!

²**Their 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.

⁴**It is not so with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**

⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

⁶**For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.**

Second Reading:

1 Corinthians 15:12 - 20

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.

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

Children's Sermon

Paul Fuelling

stand as you are able

Gospel Acclamation

"Wonderful Words of Life"

SSP #40 vs 1 & 3

Gospel

Luke 6:17 - 26

The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 6th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord

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: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. ²¹"Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. ²²"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. ²⁴"But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. ²⁵"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. ²⁶"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

please be seated

Sermon

Pastor Stephen Zeller

please stand as you are able

Hymn of the Day

"O, How I Love Jesus"

SSP #32

Apostle's Creed

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
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,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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 Intercession

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Sharing The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

please be seated

Offerings

please stand as you are able

Offertory

"We Gather Together"

SSP #98 vs. 1 & 2

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.....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. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Hear, O Lord, the prayer you taught us to pray.....**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.**

please be seated

HOLY COMMUNION

By Stations

All who believe that Jesus is present in the Bread and the Wine
and has the power to forgive are welcome to commune.

Red wine or white grape juice is available.

Communion Hymns
"My Church, My Church"
"Precious Memories"

SSP #30
SSP #34

please stand as you are able

Post-Communion Blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen**

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.....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.

Amen.

Blessing

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.

Sending Hymn

"Because He Lives"

SSP #18

Dismissal

Go with Christ into a weary world to share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

"WE ARE GUIDED BY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST"



Welcome: We're delighted to welcome all who have come to worship the Lord in spirit and in truth. May we all be encouraged as we open ourselves to God's Word and the Holy Spirit.

We invite everyone to enjoy coffee, snacks and fellowship before worship in the Gathering Space. Please join us!

In Our Prayers: "Unspoken prayer concerns", Luella Viebrock, Rocky Goyette, Jon Beckman, Kevin Tatum, Irene Viebrock and Kyle Luetjen.



Shirley Boose (mother of Melisa Balke), Noah Blackwell (great-nephew of Paul Fuelling), Jerry Metzner, Nancy Webb (sister-in-law of Glen Webb), John Turley, Pat Arline (friend of Taylor Vanderlinden), Rebecca Heimsoth (friend of Norma Schlesselman), Dieter Knowle (brother of Kim Knowle-Zeller), Debbie Viebrock (daughter-in-law of Delbert Viebrock), Ronnie Logan (brother of Gale Logan), Marvin Logan (brother of Gale Logan), Marlin & Ruth Lackas (sister & brother-in-law of Paul Fuelling), Reagan Phillips, Greg Wright (family of Jim & Kim Gumbel), Rick Osborne (friend of Gale Logan), Bill Russell (friend of Florence VonHolten), Gina Smith, Baby Emma Ruth Eckhoff, Bill Hamilton, Marvin Bockelman (brother of Margie Gerken), Alex Stevens (friend of Tina Ives), Jeffery Jones (son of Bonnie Bohling), Joyce Jones (sister of Connie Gerken) and Adam Gumbel (son of Jim & Kim Gumbel).



Nursing Home: Vern Dean Bohling: *Ambrose*. Luella Viebrock, Marie Viebrock, Florence VonHolten & Cecelia Wiedemann: *GSCC*. Kathy Hallauer: *Loving Arms*.

Military: Please keep all those who have served our country past and present in your prayers, especially: ENS David M. Gardner (son of Pam Balke), Private Bradyn Hood (grandson of Connie Gerken), MSgt. Jason Ostberg (son-in-law of Suzanne Lutjen) Lt. Col. Ron Poe, Cpt. Joseph Strathman, Sgt. Russell J. Wiedemann (grandson of Cecelia Wiedemann) and Cpt. Wayne Wiedemann (grandson of Cecelia Wiedemann).



With Sympathy: We also pray for those families who have lost loved ones; family and friends of Margie Gerken and Pat (Ives) Wellington (sister of Diane Banks).

Prayers: If you would like your name added or removed from the prayer list, please contact the church office at 668-3537.



Souper Bowl: Today's the day of the "big game" which means the end of our Souper Bowl collection for the Cole Camp Food Pantry. Thank you to everyone who brought items to share. We'll be taking our collection to the pantry this week and will see who the winner is soon!

LBPS: Little Blessing Preschool will be in session on Tuesday, **February 15th** and Wednesday, **February 16th** from 8:00am until 11:15pm in the church basement.

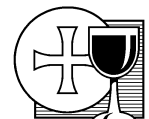


Planning: The Worship & Music committee will meet on Tuesday, **February 15th** at 1:30pm.

Health Care: The Benton County Health Department will be here on Thursday, **February 17th** from 8:00am until 10:00am to help you with your health care needs.



Ambrose: Pastor Stephen will be offering communion at Ambrose Park on Thursday, **February 17th**, at 2:00pm in their small dining room. All are welcome.



Circle: Esther Circle will meet on Monday, **February 21st** at 7:00pm at the home of Ellen Harms.



Adult Sunday School: Come join the Adult Sunday School class at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings. After we finish up a lesson or two of our Genesis Bible study, we will then immediately begin a study of the book of Daniel. The book of Daniel contains some well-known Bible stories, but also some perplexing prophecies and visions. Come join us as we walk through Daniel chapter by chapter and gain insight into the message of Daniel. Participants will have a study guide from several references to enhance our study. Come join us as we explore Daniel and discuss lessons learned we can apply to our lives.

* ~ *IN OUR COMMUNITY * ~ *

“Cole Camp Cares” Event: On Thursday, **February 17th**, St. Paul’s is partnering with two MU School of Medicine students, Bothwell Regional Health Center, and Katy Trail Community Health to sponsor a “Cole Camp Cares” event.



Join us at the Jaycee Hall starting at 11:00 am that day for coffee, refreshments, and fellowship with friends and community members. A variety of health screenings (blood pressure, glucose, etc.) and other resources from those health centers will be available at that time. Then the two MU Med students and Dr. Todd from the Cole Camp Clinic will offer a short presentation about how to care for yourself and your neighbors (well-being, mental health, watching for warning signs) in these challenging days. This event is focused primarily on those involved in agriculture, but anyone is welcome to attend. A free lunch from Hickman’s Smokehouse will then be served, and things should wrap up by 1:00 pm.

This has been a partnership through Communities of Calling over the past many months, so please help us spread the word (flyers are available at church) and we hope to see you there!

THE SAINT JOHN'S BIBLE

Don't forget! During Lent 2022, we will be hosting an art exhibit of seventeen prints from *The Saint John's Bible*, a fully handwritten and illuminated Bible commissioned by The Saint John's Abby in Collegeville, Minnesota. This is a world-renowned project that is both a work of art and a work of theology. This Bible brings us the Word of God through visual art. We hope that many people will come see it!



This exhibit kicks off on Sunday, March 6, with a special program and the first opportunity to see the prints. We welcome Rev. Michael Patella, Professor of Theology and New Testament at Saint John's University, who chaired the Committee on Illumination and Text for *The Saint John's Bible*. He will be with us for what we expect will be a wonderful day on **March 6th**.

Volunteers (members and non-members) will be on hand to welcome visitors during this exhibit. If you are interested in volunteering, please let us know if you haven't already. We will have a short volunteer training session after worship on Sunday, **February 20th** in the Sanctuary.

We are so excited to host this exhibit! Please remember, though, that the Fellowship Hall will be unavailable for most other uses during these five weeks. More information will be on our website – www.stpauls.me/bible - and on promotional materials that we encourage you to share with others.



~ * ~ Coming Events ~ * ~

February 13	Souper Bowl
February 17	"Cole Camp Cares" Event
February 27	Baptism of Owen Smith
March 2	Ash Wednesday
March 6	The Saint John's Bible Opening Day

Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Ministers The Whole Congregation
Presiding Minister Pastor Stephen Zeller
Organist Lois Viebrock
Pianist Jeannette VonHolten
Altar Guild Janice Gerken & Teresa Viebrock
Ushers Greg Bredehoeft, Head Usher
..... Melisa Balke, Eric Kullman, John Oelrichs & Ryan Schlesselman



Sixth Sunday after Epiphany ~ February 13, 2022

Assisting Minister Tom Oelrichs
Communion Assistants Tara Anderson & Wanda Viebrock
Reader Grant & Hudson Kullman
Children's Sermon Paul Fuelling
Acolytes Lauren Brown & Ben Goosen
Flowers Joyce Wineinger
Fellowship Hour
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Seventh Sunday after Epiphany ~ February 20, 2022

Assisting Minister Connie Gerken
Communion Assistants Luther League
Reader Norma Schlesselman
Children's Sermon Joyce Schlesselmann
Acolytes Grady Elliott & Grant Kullman
Flowers Rhonda Schlesselman
Fellowship Hour