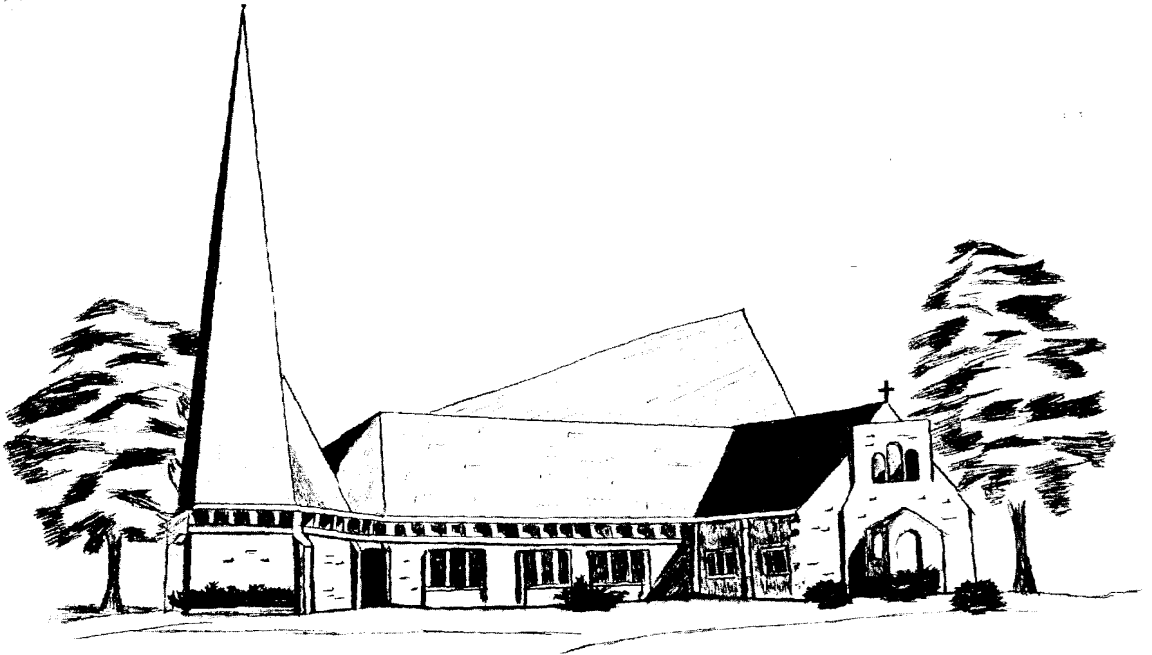


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## Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday, February 16, 2025  
10:00 AM

**To Visitors and Newcomers:** Hello and welcome to St. Thomas. We're glad you're here! Children of all ages are welcome. At the rear of the church there are rocking chairs for use if needed. Also, there is a staffed nursery where children to age 4 may stay for all, or part of the service. To help us get to know you, please fill out a Welcome Card you will find in the Pew. Please come to the parish hall after the service for coffee and fellowship. We invite you to be part of the St. Thomas Church Community!



*"St. Thomas offers a Hearing Loop for Hearing Aid Users.  
To activate, turn your hearing aid to the 'T' setting."*

**PRELUDE**

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Hymn #493

- 1 O for a thousand tongues to sing  
my dear Redeemer's praise,  
the glories of my God and King,  
the triumphs of his grace!
- 2 My gracious Master and my God,  
assist me to proclaim  
and spread through all the earth abroad  
the honors of thy Name.
- 3 Jesus! the Name that charms our fears  
and bids our sorrows cease;  
'tis music in the sinner's ears,  
'tis life and health and peace.
- 4 He speaks; and, listening to his voice,  
new life the dead receive,  
the mournful broken hearts rejoice,  
the humble poor believe.
- 5 Hear him, ye deaf; ye voiceless ones,  
your loosened tongues employ;  
ye blind, behold, your Savior comes;  
and leap, ye lame, for joy!
- 6 Glory to God and praise and love  
be now and ever given  
by saints below and saints above,  
the Church in earth and heaven.

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

# Gloria In Excelsis Deo

The musical score is written for guitar in E major (indicated by four sharps: F#, C#, G#, D#) and 4/4 time. It consists of seven staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes, and guitar chords are indicated by letters (B, E, G#m, F#) above the staff lines. The lyrics are: "Glo-ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o, and peace on earth. Glo-ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o! Worship and praise be to the Fa-ther and Son, Lord Je - sus Christ, Wor-ship and praise Sav - ior of all the world, and to the Ho - ly Spi - rit, Three in One, Glo-ri - a! Glo-ri - a! Glo-ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o, and peace on earth. and peace on earth. Glori a! Glori - a!"

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

**People** And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## **LESSON:**

### **Jeremiah 17:5-10**

Thus says the Lord: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts 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 perverse --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.

Reader    The Word of the Lord.

**People**

**Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM 1**

1 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!

**2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord,  
and they meditate on his law day and night.**

3 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.

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

5 Therefore 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 is doomed.**

**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.**

## **EPISTLE:**

### **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.

Reader    The Word of the Lord.

**People**

**Thanks be to God.**

# THE GRADUAL

## Trust and Obey

Ben Chambers

(Verses 1&2 before Gospel, Verse 3 after Gospel)

John H. Sammis

Daniel B. Towner

1. When we walk with the Lord in the light of his Word,  
2. Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share,  
3. But we never can prove the delights of his love  
4. When we walk with the Lord in the light of his Word,

what a glory he sheds on our way!  
but our toil he will richly re-pay;  
un - til all on the altar we lay;  
what a glory he sheds on our way!

While we do his good will, he abides with us still,  
not a grief nor a loss, not a frown nor a cross,  
for the fa - vor he shows and the joy he be - stows  
While we do his good will, he abides with us still,

and with all who will trust and o - bey.  
but is blest if we trust and o - bey.  
are for them who will trust and o - bey.  
and with all who will trust and o - bey.

Trust and o - bey, for there's no oth - er way to be

hap - py in Je - sus, but to trust and o - bey.

Chords: D, A7, D, D, A7, D, G, D, A, D, A7, D, D/A, A7, D, G, D, A7, D, A7, D, B7, Em, A7, D, D/A, A7, D

**GOSPEL:**

Luke 6:17-26

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

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

Jesus came down with the twelve apostles 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 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." "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."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Continue to—Trust & Obey, Verse 3*

**THE SERMON**

**Fr. Andy Cruz Lillegard**

**THE NICENE CREED**

**BCP pg. 358**

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:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
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.  
 With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
 He 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.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

BCP pg. 388

Deacon Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy

**All Hear our prayer.**

Deacon Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Deacon Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## CONFESSION OF SIN

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All 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 neighbors 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.

## ABSOLUTION

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

## THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
And also with you.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OFFERTORY

### Come and Fill Me Up

### A1,2 B / A1,2 B

*Brian Doerksen*  
G sus4

**A**

1. I can feel You, flow-in' thru me. Ho-ly Spir-it,  
2. Love and mer-cy, fill my sen-ses. I am thir-sty,

come and fill me up. Come and fill me up.  
for Your pre-sence, Lord. Come and fill me up.

**B**

A m7 D G Em7 A m7

Lord, let Your mer-cy wash a-way all of my sin. Fill me com-plete-

D G Em7 C G/B C

-ly with Your love. once a-gain I need You, I want You, I love Your

G/D D C G/B A m7 D sus4 D G Gsus4 G Gsus4 (G)

pre-sence. I need You, I want You, I love Your pre-sence.

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*Please rise as you are able, as the offering is brought forward*

## **DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly hosts;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**BCP pg. 361**

**Celebrant** The Lord be with you.

**People** And also with you.

**Celebrant** Lift up your hearts.

**People** We lift them to the Lord.

**Celebrant** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

**Celebrant** It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

### **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord**

Renew #207

Traditional American Melody  
*"Land of Rest"*

The musical score is written on four staves in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is a traditional American hymn tune. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words underlined to indicate phrasing. The score ends with a double bar line.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, —  
— heav'n and earth — are full of your glo - ry; Ho - san - na in — the  
high - est! Bless - ed — is He who comes in the name of the Lord; —  
— ho - san - na in — the high - est, — Ho - san - na in — the high - est.

*Please stand or kneel as you are able*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All **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,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

## **BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that  
Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*We invite all baptized Christians to receive communion with us. If you would like to receive a Gluten Free Wafer, please let the celebrant know when you come up. Prayer ministers are available in the chapel during communion.*

## **COMMUNION HYMNS**

I am the Bread of Life

Hymn #335

1 I am the bread of life;  
they who come to Me shall not hunger;  
they who believe in Me shall not thirst.  
No one can come to Me  
unless the Father draw them.

*Refrain*

And I will raise them up,  
And I will raise them up,  
and I will raise them up on the last day.

2 The Bread that I will give  
is My Flesh for the life of the world,  
and they who eat of this bread,  
they shall live for ever,  
they shall live for ever. *Refrain*

3 Unless you eat  
of the Flesh of the Son of Man  
and drink of His Blood,  
you shall not have life within you,  
you shall not have life within you. *Refrain*

4 I am the resurrection,  
I am the life.  
They who believe in Me,  
even if they die,  
they shall live for ever. *Refrain*

5 Yes, Lord, we believe  
that You are the Christ,  
the Son of God  
who has come into the world. *Refrain*

# Breathe

Sequence of sections: [AB] Repeat as needed; end with C

Marie Barnett

**A** A2 D2/A A D2/A

1. This is the air I breathe. This is the air I breathe.  
 2. This is my dai-ly bread. This is my dai-ly bread.

5 Your Ho-ly pres-ence liv-ing in me.  
 Your ver-y word spo-ken to me.

**B** A E/G# F#m7 E D2 F#m

1. And I I'm des-p'rate for You.  
 2. And I I'm lost with-out You.

Omit this measure when going on to C

**C** E D2 F#m E D2 F#m E

14 I'm lost with-out You. I'm lost with-out You.

19 A2 D2/A A D2/A A

This is the air I breathe. This is the air I breathe.

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## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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Celebrant Let us pray.

All Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
 you have graciously accepted us as living members  
 of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
 and you have fed us with spiritual food  
 in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
 Send us now into the world in peace,  
 and grant us strength and courage  
 to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart;  
 through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **BLESSING**

Celebrant May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also, in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord. **Amen.**

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the Only- begotten at his baptism in the Jordan River, pour out that Spirit on you who have come to the waters of new birth. **Amen.**

May God, by the power that turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana, transform your lives and make glad your hearts. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

## **RECESSIONAL HYMN**

Lift Every Voice and Sing!

Hymn #599

- 1 Lift every voice and sing  
till earth and heaven ring,  
ring with the harmonies of liberty.  
Let our rejoicing rise  
high as the listening skies;  
let it resound loud as the rolling sea.  
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;  
sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;  
facing the rising sun  
of our new day begun,  
let us march on, till victory is won.
- 2 Stony the road we trod,  
bitter the chastening rod,  
felt in the days when hope unborn had died;  
yet, with a steady beat,  
have not our weary feet  
come to the place for which our parents sighed?  
We have come over a way that with tears have been watered;  
we have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered,  
out from the gloomy past,  
till now we stand at last  
where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

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3 God of our weary years,  
God of our silent tears,  
thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;  
thou who hast by thy might led us into the light;  
keep us for ever in the path, we pray.  
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee;  
lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee;  
shadowed beneath thy hand  
may we for ever stand,  
true to our God, true to our native land.

### **DISMISSAL**

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

### **POSTLUDE**

**Instrumental**

The following anniversaries of members of our Parish Family will be remembered.  
**February 16, 2025 to Saturday, February 22, 2025**

**Birthdays**

16 Claire Kopczynski  
17 Viktoria Umland  
Kaleb Ziemer  
18 Julia Zaborski  
Sandra Lopas  
Fr. Andy Cruz Lillegard  
19 Caitlin Kelley  
Ada Hall  
Mike Ramsdell  
20 Brad Haese  
21 Betsy Fine

**Wedding Anniversaries**

16 Dennis and Wendy Bodway

**Faithful Departed**

16 George Thompson  
Rev. Jim La Sage  
17 Dan Siracusa  
18 Mildred Shepard  
19 Lori Hackbarth  
21 Janet Arpin  
John Beck  
Hugh De Morest  
22 Paul Smith  
Jon Sams

**Mission Partners**

Double Portion with Calvary Bible Church/  
St. Patrick's Church  
Betsy Hake – Honduras  
Mothers' Mercy Home – Kenya

**Mission Payer Links**

African Medical Mission  
Boy Scouts Troop 3  
Cub Scouts Pack 3003  
Carmen & Rosa and the San Lucas UCC  
– Chicago  
Gideon Bible Distribution Ministry  
Fr. Ian/Polly Montgomery – (SAMS)

**Serving in the Military**

Auston Allen – Air Force  
Kyle Cooper – Army National Guard  
James Kopczynski – Army National Guard  
Bruce McRae – Army Reserve  
Andrew Shaffer - Army  
Mark Sopkiw, Jr. - Army  
Matthew Verich – Navy  
KaDee Peterson – Navy Reserves

**Deployed**

Humberto Puga – Navy

*In the wider **Anglican Communion** we pray for The Church of Bangladesh. In the **Diocesan** Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. Simon's, Port Washington; St. Anne's, De Pere. In the **St. Thomas** cycle of prayer we pray for those involved in Adult Development including Adult Education, Bible studies, Cursillo, Men and Women's Ministry and Welcome/Hospitality including Coffee Hour, Fellowship Camp, Senior Lunch, Welcome Ministers, and St. Martha's Guild.*

***Flowers on the High Altar** are given to the Greater Glory of God and in loving memory of Jon Sams by Scott Sams, in loving memory of Dan Siracusa by Joanne Siracusa*

<b>Lay Ministry</b>	<b>Today</b>	<b>Next Week</b>
<b>Acolytes:</b>	Oscar Zaborski Hazel Zaborski	Shari Lloyd Wade Lindholm
<b>Eucharistic Team:</b>	Sandie Umland	Dave Morton
<b>Prayer Ministry Team:</b>	Kathy Peterson Fr. John Peterson	Jill Beverlin Fr. John Peterson
<b>Reader:</b>	Pete Zaborski	Dave Morton
<b>Ushers:</b>	Jessica and Pete Zaborski	Bill and Barb Barry
<b>Preacher:</b>	Deacon Lisa Ueda	Fr. Andy Cruz Lillegard
<b>Verger:</b>	Martina Mims	Martina Mims
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	Linda Smith, Karen Powers Beverly Johnston	Laura Linstrom, Shari Llyod
<b>Vestry Announcements:</b>	Mary Danner	Nancy Dombeck

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