

The 6th Sunday *after* the Epiphany

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Sunday School on the lanai, except 2nd Sunday for Family Sunday.

Opening Hymn #556 “Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart” (verses 1-3)

Opening Acclamation

The people rise in body or in spirit, the Celebrant says

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.*

The Gloria. Please join in singing three times through, In English, then Latin, then English.

Dm Gm C F Dm Gm C F

Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high-est!
Glo-ri-a, glo-ri-a, in ex-cel-sis De-o!

5 Dm Gm C F Dm Gm C F

Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!
Glo-ri-a, glo-ri-a, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

The Collect of the Day

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.

The Lessons

The people are seated for the readings of the day.

The 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 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.

Psalm 1 *We will sing responsively; the congregation will sing the verses in **bold**.*

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 wick- | ed is doomed.**

The 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.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

The Gradual

BLESSED AND BELOVED/BIENAVENTURADOS

Lourdes C. Montgomery

Verses



1. Bless-ed and be-lov - ed, you, the poor and low - ly,
2. Bless-ed and be-lov - ed, you, the lost and hope - less,
3. Bless-ed and be-lov - ed, you who work for jus - tice,
1. Bie - na - ven - tu - ra - dos, po - bres de la tie - rra,
2. Bie - na - ven - tu - ra - dos los de - ses - pe - ra - dos,
3. Bie - na - ven - tu - ra - dos los sa - cri - fi - ca - dos;



1. you are blessed and ho - ly in the sight of our God.
2. Christ will be your so - lace and your light in the dark.
3. stand - ing as a wit - ness to the mer - cy of God.
1. por - que de us - te - des es el rei - no de Dios.
2. se - rán con - so - la - dos por Je - sús, el Rey.
3. los de - sam - pa - ra - dos se - rán gran-des an - te Dios.



1. Bless - ed and be - lov - ed, you who mourn in sor - row.
2. Walk be - side your neigh - bor, wel - come in the strang - er,
3. Shine your light for oth - ers, sis - ters, friends and broth - ers,
1. Bie - na - ven - tu - ra - dos los que pa - san ham - bre,
2. Si e - res buen a - mi - go, si e - res buen ve - ci - no,
3. Tien - de más tu ma - no, haz a to - dos her - ma - nos



1. You shall dance to - mor - row in the joy of the Lord.
2. then you'll find your broth - er, Je - sus Christ the Lord.
3. so your deeds may glo - ri - fy the Lord, our God.
1. los que llo - ran san - gre por a - mor a Dios.
2. es - ta - rá con - ti - go nues - tro her - ma - no, Je - sús.
3. con tu cris - tia - nís - mo y a - mor a Dios.



Gospel: Luke 6:17-26

All standing in body or in spirit, the Priest or Deacon reads the Gospel.

Deacon 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."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Libby Berman

The Nicene Creed.

The Celebrant begins. The People join in.

Found inside the front cover of The Book of Common Prayer.

The Prayers of the People: Written by members of our Sunday School.

*The congregation will please make the responses in **bold**.*

We pray for our Presiding Bishop, Sean, our Bishop, Bob, ministers and all who serve the church. Please bring peace, love, and understanding among all churches that we all may be one.

As we celebrate Jesus' coming, help us go deeper into the meaning of this season.

We pray for kindness and love in the world. Please help our leaders in making wise and just decisions.

Let the light of Christ guard and guide them.

We pray for the victims of wars in the middle east, in Ukraine, in Southern Africa, and in areas of conflict or trouble. Please help us provide clean water and good health care for all people throughout the world.

Pray for peace, love, and understanding.

We pray for the safety of those around us and especially remember first responders. We pray for our kūpuna, that they feel loved and respected. Please help us care for the 'āina of our islands

Let us be a light for others to care for each other and the earth.

We pray that everyone has a home and a family. Please help those facing injustice, fear, and oppression. We pray for the people on our parish Prayer List, and those whose names we offer aloud, now.

Please join us in offering the names of people you are praying for, one at a time; the Celebrant will be happy to call on you.

Help people who face challenges at work and at home.

May they be guided by the light of God.

Give to those who have died eternal rest and joy in their forever home, where there is no pain or grief.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We thank you for not just all blessings but also all the ways we come closer to you. *The priest adds a concluding collect.*

Confession of Sin

The Deacon says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence may be kept.*

Deacon and People

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.

The Priest stands and says

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 *All Stand.*

The Celebrant says to the people.

ʻO ke aloha o ka Haku ka mea e mau loa aku me ʻoukou. (*The peace of the Lord be always with you!*)

The People respond.

A me ʻoe pū nō hoʻi. (*And also with you!*)

The Offertory Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. (*Ephesians 5:2*)

The Offertory Anthem “I Believe” by Mark A. Miller

The HN Choir & Ina Young

The Hawaiian Doxology

Please rise in body or in spirit.



The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer C

People remain standing in body or in spirit.

The Book of Common Prayer p. 369

Sanctus S-130



The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior 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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Fraction S-164

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

The musical score is written for four systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#), indicating G major. The lyrics are printed below the vocal lines. The first system ends with a repeat sign. The second system ends with a repeat sign. The third system ends with a repeat sign. The fourth system ends with a double bar line.

The Celebrant says

Nā Makana e Ke Akua na ka po'e o Ke Akua / The gifts of God for the people of the God.

At the time of distribution, those who wish to receive should move forward to the altar rail in two lines, filling in from makai to mauka. You may kneel or stand to receive the sacrament. You are welcome to receive the bread (traditional or gluten-free) only or both the bread and the wine from the ministers who will come past you. If you wish to receive a blessing, place your hands across your heart as you approach.

Communion Anthem “What Wondrous Love Is This” arr. by Jason Krug

Ina Young, piano

The Post-Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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.

The Announcements and Blessing

The Reverend Libby Berman

The Closing Hymn #344 “Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing”

The Dismissal

Deacon or Priest Let us go forth in the Name of Christ!
People Thanks be to God.

The Postlude “For the Beauty of the Earth” arr. by Jason Krug

Ina Young, Piano

Ministry Team for Today’s Service: Thank you, all!

Clergy: The Reverends Libby Berman, Jennifer Latham, and Robert Steele

Deacon: The Reverend Bill Heran

Eucharistic minister: Kim Garner **Readers:** Stephen Noerper & TBA

Intercessor: Olesya Noerper **Usher:** Rich Miller

Technical team: Alex Picken & Georgia St. Germain **Music Director:** Ina Young

Join us next Sunday, for the 7th Sunday *after* the Epiphany

Sunday, February 23, 2025/ 9am

(In person & on Zoom)

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**Our Parish Prayer list:** Lisa, Barbara, David, Luci, Ginnie, Sheri, Becky, Brian, Heather, Wayne, Todd, Tom, Ann, Sandee, Doris, Linda, Esther, Antone, Betty, Bobby, Gregg, David, John, and Eliane.