

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany
Holy Eucharist | February 16, 2025

WELCOME!

You are invited to be a part of this community whether you're arriving for the first time or returning. This bulletin is intended to encourage and enable your enthusiastic participation.

The staffed Nursery is available for little ones
during and following the 9:30 service.

Today St. David's ministers travel to Hope Springs at Minnetonka (formerly Lake Minnetonka Care Center) to share both worship and friendship. Please continue to keep all our friends residing there in your prayers.

St. David's Welcomes You

St. David's Episcopal Church is committed to following Jesus' example of practicing radical hospitality, seeking to find God in all people because they are of sacred worth. We welcome all persons, regardless of gender, race, ethnicity, age, physical or mental capacity, education, sexual orientation, gender identity, socioeconomic or marital status. All are invited as full participants in the life and ministries of our community of faith.

St. David's Mission Statement

We at St. David's Episcopal Church are devoted to loving and serving God, one another and the world. Honoring the dignity and freedom of all to seek God at their own pace, we connect our life stories with the teachings of Jesus. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, we believe our actions transform the world and ourselves.

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The revised version of the Nicene Creed is part of the liturgy in the Expansive Language versions of the Eucharistic liturgies in the Book of Common Prayer that were approved at General Convention in 2018.

Today's flowers are in memory of Dale Lindquist.

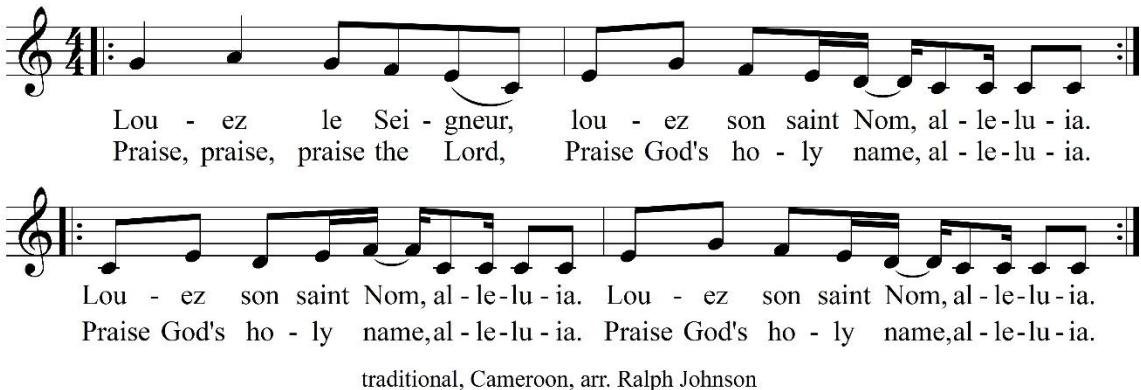
THE HOLY EUCHARIST

We Gather in God's Name

Prelude

Opening Hymn

Louez le Seigneur / Praise the Lord



Lou - ez le Sei - gneur, lou - ez son saint Nom, al - le-lu - ia.
Praise, praise, praise the Lord, Praise God's ho - ly name, al - le-lu - ia.

Lou - ez son saint Nom, al - le-lu - ia. Lou - ez son saint Nom, al - le-lu - ia.
Praise God's ho - ly name, al - le-lu - ia. Praise God's ho - ly name, al - le-lu - ia.

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Opening Acclamation

Celebrant

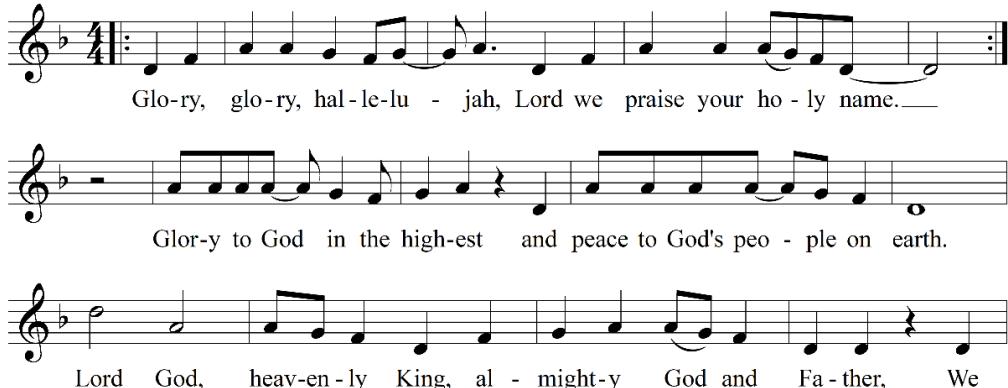
Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People

Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.

Song of Praise

Children ages 7-11 are invited to process out for The Peace Table, returning at the time of communion distribution.



Glo-ry, glo-ry, hal - le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your ho - ly name.____

Glor-y to God in the high-est and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, We

wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glor - y.

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lambof God,

Glo - ry, glo - ry, hal - le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your ho - ly name. —

You take a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us. You are

seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther, rec - eive our - prayer. For

you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord. You a - lone are the

Most High, Je - sus Christ, With the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of the Fa - ther.

Glo - ry, glo - ry, hal - le-lu - jah, Lord we praise your ho - ly name. —

praise your ho - ly name. A - - - - men.

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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.**

We Hear and Respond to God's Word

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 1

At 8:00, the psalm can be found at p. 585 in the Book of Common Prayer.



Hap-py are they who de-light, who de - light in the law of God.

Happy indeed are they who refuse the way of evil,
nor walk the road of sinners, nor join the mockers of God.

Joy shall be in the hearts of those who delight in the law of God,
For they recite the law, they speak it day and night.

They are like green trees that grow by clear flowing waters,
They bear their fruit in due season, their leaves fade not, they prosper.

It is not so for all, not so with evil doers,
They blow like chaff in the wind, they fall by the weight of the truth.

God upholds the just, God knows the way of the righteous,
But the evil ones shall perish, shall perish by their deeds

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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 The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn

God of Mercy, God of Glory

Please stand as you are able for the Gospel Hymn and reading of the Gospel.



God of mer-cy, God of glo-ry, Come and feed us with Your Liv-ing Word.

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The Gospel

Luke 6:17-26

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 Nicene Creed

Please stand as you are 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, 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 of the People

The Leader and People pray responsively. Please join in reading the bold text.

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For the people of Israel and Gaza, for immigrants and refugees, for this community, the nation, and the world.

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

We pray for... and for all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, and Craig, our Bishop; and for all clergy and lay ministers;

For all who serve God in God's Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

(Please offer your own petitions, silently or aloud.)

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for the myriad gifts offered by people of color as we celebrate Black History Month, and for all the blessings of this life.

(Please offer your own thanksgivings, silently or aloud).

We will exalt you, O God our Creator;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for ... and all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

(Please offer your own petitions, silently or aloud.)

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

Celebrant

O God, who embraced us with perfect love and made us your people when we were yet strangers to you: be present with all refugees, immigrants, and displaced people throughout the world; may they know the consolation of your presence, and the liberating power of your love. Then give us grace, we pray, to extend ever wider your embrace in a world of exclusion, until all your children are knit together as beloved family in the perfect love that is your very heart, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was displaced among us, and who now lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Confession

Deacon Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence

You are invited to be seated, to kneel or to remain standing.

All

**God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.**

**We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.**

**We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.**

**Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

Absolution

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

People

Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

We Share in Holy Communion

Please stand, as you are able, while the offerings of bread and wine are presented. You may be seated until the singing of the Doxology, when we ask that you stand once more.

The loose plate offering this morning (and every third Sunday) will go to the Rector's Discretionary Fund. Thank you for your offerings.

Offertory

Blessed Are You

1. Bles-sed are you, the poor ones; God calls the last and least.
2. Ru - in a - waits the weal-thy, who live to serve their greed.
3. Bles-sed are you, the poor ones, for God is poor with you.

Bles-sed are you, the hun - gry, for God pre - pares your feast.
Ru - in a - waits the glut-tions, who take more than they need.
Bles-sed are you, the hun - gry, for God knows hun - ger, too.

Bles-sed are you who weep now, for mourn - ing turns to praise.
Ru - in a - waits the laugh-ers, and tears will fill their eyes.
Bles-sed are you who weep now, for God has shared your grief.

Bles-sed are you who suf - fer, for God will guard your ways.
Ru - in a - waits the haugh-ty, who mock their neigh - bors' cries.
Bles-sed are you who suf - fer, for God will bring re - lief.

The doors of heav'n are o - pen, and glo - ry is shin - ing through -

re - joice, re - joice, God is with us, and bles-sed, bles-sed are you.

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Doxology

For the life that you have giv - en, for the love in Christ made known,
with these fruits of time and la - bor, with these gifts that are your own:
here we of - fer, Lord, our prais - es; heart and mind and strength we bring.
Give us grace to love and serve you, liv - ing what we pray and sing.

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The Great Thanksgiving

Remain standing as you are able.

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.

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing.

You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

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Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

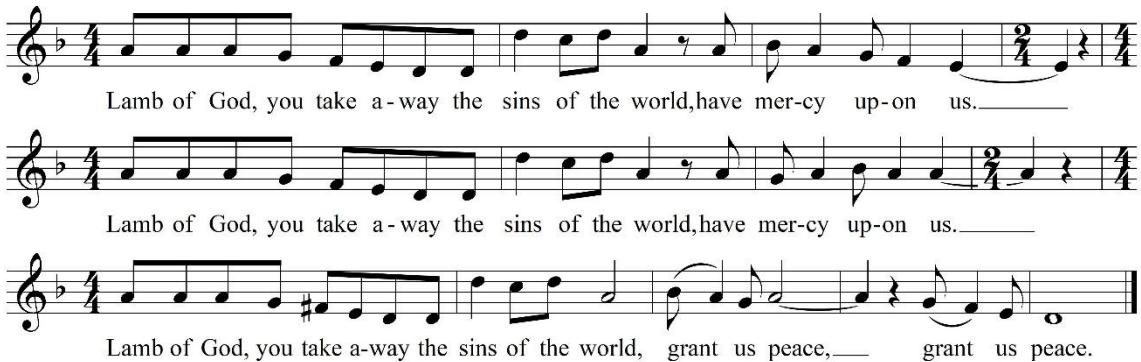
In the fullness of time bring us, with David and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace.

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The Communion

We invite all people regardless of age or denomination to share in the Holy Communion at the Lord's table. Please come forward to receive the bread and wine. When receiving from the common cup, please do not intinct (dip the bread in the wine). If you wish to receive only the bread, you may remain in place at the rail, crossing your arms across your chest when the chalice bearer presents the cup, or return to your seat after receiving the bread. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you will not be receiving communion you are invited to receive a blessing. Please indicate this desire by crossing your arms over your chest. If you are unable to come forward, please let an usher know and communion will be brought to you.

Communion Hymns

Blessed and Beloved



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,



you are blessed and ho-ly in the sight of our God.
Christ will be your so-lace and your light in the dark.
stand-ing as a wit-ness to the mer-cy of God.



Bless-ed and be-lov-ed, you who mourn in sor-row.
Walk be-side your neigh-bor, wel-come in the strang-er,
Shine your light for oth-ers, sis-ters, friends and broth-ers,



You shall dance to-mor-row in the joy of the Lord.
then you'll find your broth-er, Je-sus Christ the Lord.
so your deeds may glor-i fy the Lord, our God.



Re-joice and be glad for you are not for-got-ten.



Great will be the trea-sure that a-waits you now in heav-en. Re-joice and be glad for



you are not for-got-ten. Bless-ed and be-lov-ed are you.

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We Are Walking in the Light

We are walk-ing in the light, in the light, in the light.
We are walk-ing in the light, in the light of God.

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Sending Forth of Lay Eucharistic Visitors

On those days when the parish sends out Lay Eucharistic Visitors to those who cannot attend the liturgy, the Bread is presented to the Visitors at the altar, using this form.

Deacon In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many are one body, because we share the one bread and the one cup.**

Prayer after Communion

All **Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

We Go into the World in God's Name

Announcements

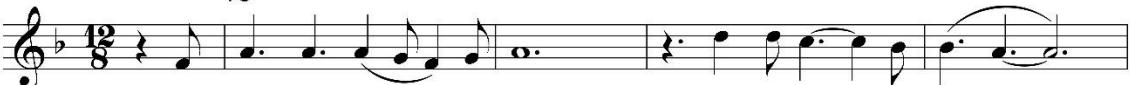
The Blessing

Departing

We've Come This Far by Faith

Refrain

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We've come this far by faith, Lean-ing on the Lord,



Trust-ing in this Ho-ly Word. God nev-er failed me yet.

Fine



Oh can't turn a-round, We've come this far by faith.

Verses



1. Don't be dis-cour - aged when trou - ble's in your life.
2. Don't be dis-cour - aged when trou - ble's in the land.



God will bear your bur - dens and re -



God will lead us out of death with a

D.S. al Fine



move all mi - se - ry and strife. That's why we've

lov - ing and lib - er - at - ing hand.

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Dismissal

Deacon

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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