

# Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

February 13, 2022

9:00 am

Communion



*279 Years Of  
"Joyously proclaiming the good news of God's love"*

**ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH**

SPRING CITY, PENNSYLVANIA

Founded in 1743

**THIS WEEK AT ZION**

Sunday 2/13	7.45 am 9.00 am	Bell choir <b>Worship</b> SCS/ Confirmation
Monday	6.30 pm 7.00 pm	Praise band AA meeting
Tuesday	5:00 pm 7.30 pm	Tae Kwan Do Council Meeting
Thursday	6.15 pm 7.00 pm	Hymn Singer/Special Music Rehearsal Zion adult choir
Sunday 2/20	7.45 am 9.00 am	Bell choir <b>Worship</b>

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<b>This week (2/13)</b>	
Dan Bauman	Assistant Minister
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Maggie Munz	Greeter
Beverly Tyson	Altar Guild
Zion choir	Hymns

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Bruce Wilson	Assistant Minister
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Shawn Rogers	Greeter
Maggie Munz	Greeter
Beverly Tyson	Altar Guild
Zion choir	Hymns

**We thank you for your service to the church.**

Sunday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022

## INTRODUCTION

*Blessings and curses abound on the sixth Sunday after Epiphany. We would do well to listen closely to whom the “blessed ones” and the “woe to” are directed and to find our place in the crowd among those who desire to touch Jesus. The risen Christ stands among us in the mystery of the holy supper with an invitation to live in him, and offers power to heal us all.*

## PRELUDES

**On Tannenberg- "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"** by John Dundel, Arr. by Richard Unfried

**On Piano- "God You're So Good"** Words and Music by Brett Younker, Brooke Ligertwood, Kristian Stanfill and Scott Ligertwood, Arr. by Larry Shackley

**On Allen- "Song of Peace"** by Edward Broughton

## WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

### GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

### KYRIE

### CONFESSION

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

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: 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 bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation.**

**C: Amen.**

P: 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.

**C: Amen.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE - Sing 2 times**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: 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.

**C: Amen.**

*Please be seated*

**FIRST READING: Jeremiah 17:5-10**

*These verses compose a poem that is part of a larger collection of wisdom sayings that contrast two ways of life. Life with God brings blessing; the power and vitality of God is active in our life. Life without God brings a curse, the power of death.*

R: A reading from the book of Jeremiah:

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.

R: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm: Psalm 1**

*They are like trees planted by streams of water. (Ps. 1:3)*

R: 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!

**C: Their delight is in the law of the Lord, and they meditate on God's teaching 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.

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

R: Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous. For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.

*Those able, please stand*

## ACCLAMATION

### Gospel: Luke 6:17-26

*After choosing his twelve apostles, Jesus teaches a crowd of followers about the nature and demands of discipleship. He begins his great sermon with surprising statements about who is truly blessed in the eyes of God.*

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

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. 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.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ**

## THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## SERMON

## HYMN

**Let Justice Flow Like Streams**

**ELW 717**

**All Verses**

Text: Jane Parker Huber, b. 1926, Text © 1984 Jane Parker Huber, admin. Westminster John Knox Press

*Those able, please stand*

## Apostles' Creed

**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 into hell; 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 INTERCESSION**

*You can add names to the prayer list by contacting the church office. After three weeks names will be removed from the prayer of intercession unless resubmitted. These removed people will still be in our private prayers.*

A: The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made.

A: Blessed are those whose trust is in you. Strengthen the faith of those who profess your name and bring reassurance to those who doubt or fear. Through your church speak continued blessing into the world. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: Those who trust in you are like trees planted by streams of water. Bless fruit trees with an abundant harvest. Protect rainforests from destruction. Restore land that has eroded after deforestation. Resurrect woodlands after forest fires. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: Search the hearts of those who govern, that they lead with humility. Inspire leaders to collaborate on policies that protect people and the planet. Sustain truth-tellers and social movements that challenge society to become more honest and just. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: Send your blessings of mercy upon those who long for consolation. Tend to those struggling with poverty, unemployment, or uncertainty. Provide for all who are hungry. Console those who face persecution. Grant peace to all who suffer. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: Renew this congregation in our shared mission. As we plan and dream for the future you are preparing, inspire us by the examples of Martin Luther and all the reformers. Bless new projects and new ministry partnerships. God of grace, God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: For all who are sick. Hear our prayers for **Roger Batten, Amy Mandik, Jack Rousseau, Helen Christman, Nicki Grubb, Joy Moyer, Anne Carroll** and those we lift before you now. Surround them with your unwavering presence. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Christ is raised from the dead, and so we cling to the hope of the resurrection. We praise you for the lives of the saints who lived and died in the hope of eternal life with you. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

**C: Amen.**

## THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

*Let us share the peace with one another*

## OFFERING INVITATION

Feb. 13, 2022 (6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany, Year C)

**Luke 6:20** –Then Jesus looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God."

*Why are the poor "blessed" and entranced into the kingdom of God? Emphasizing how wealth can be an obstacle to discipleship, Luke's gospel challenges us to rethink our relationship to money. What does this passage say to you?*

*Please be seated*

## OFFERING with Special music

"Have Love" by Michael Bridges and George Baum- **Guitar and Vocals by Brian Mickiewicz**

## OFFERING PRAYER

A: 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.

**C: Amen.**

*Those able, please stand*



## SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION



*Believing in the real presence of Christ, this church practices communion hospitality. All baptized persons are welcome to participate in the Lord's Supper. Parent(s)/Grandparent(s) will place their hands on untutored young people for a blessing given by the Pastor. The response when receiving the bread and wine could be: "Amen" or "I believe." Prepackaged Elements are available.*

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God. Sharing our life, Christ lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to his own brilliant light. And so, with all the choirs of

angels, with all the faithful of every time and every place, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

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

#### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

P: Blessed are you, O holy God: you are the Life and Light of all. By your powerful word you created all things. Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.

Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son. He is your Light, shining in our darkness and revealing to us your mercy and might.

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.

P: Remembering, therefore, his preaching and healing, his dying and rising, and his promise to come again, we await that day when all the universe will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light. Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

**C: Amen**

P: Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray,

**C: 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.**

#### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P: Come to God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all.

**C: Amen.**

#### **SHARING IN COMMUNION**

P: This is the Body of Christ given for you

**A: I believe or Amen** (Congregation will eat the wafer)

P: This is the Blood of Christ given for you

**A: I believe or Amen** (Congregation will drink the wine)

#### **POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in his grace.

**A: Amen.**

#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A: 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.

**C: Amen.**

**BLESSING**

P: 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.

**C: Amen**

**THE SENDING HYMN Canticle of the Turning ELW #723 All 4 Verses**



Text: Rory Cooney, b. 1952, based on the Magnificat, Music: Irish traditional, Star of County Down

*Please be seated*

**DISMISSAL**

A: Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

"Trumpet Tune" by Samuel S. Wesley, Setting Nancy Raabe

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**BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday	Genesis 3:1-13, 21-24	Tree of knowledge and tree of life
Tuesday	Revelation 22:1-9	Waters of life & Tree of life
Wednesday	Luke 9:1-27	Jesus feeds the 5000
Thursday	Luke 9:28-62	The Transfiguration
Friday	I Corinthians 15:12-20	Christ has been raised
Saturday	Psalms 120	Woe to me