

ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Shawnee, Kansas



[Hands Across the Divide](#), by Maurice Harron, Derry, Ireland

Holy Eucharist Rite II

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

February 12, 2023 8:30 a.m.

Prelude

People standing as able.

PROCESSIONAL MUSIC

All standing, the Celebrant says

Opening Acclamation

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

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

Collect of Purity

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

Said all together

1. Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
2. Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
3. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
4. you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
5. you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
6. For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
7. you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father,
Amen.

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.**

Please be seated.

THE LESSONS

The Old Testament Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Moses said, "See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

The Psalm Psalm 119:1-8

Beati immaculati

- 1 Happy are they whose way is blameless, *
who walk in the law of the LORD!**
- 2 Happy are they who observe his decrees *
and seek him with all their hearts!**
- 3 Who never do any wrong, *
but always walk in his ways.**
- 4 You laid down your commandments, *
that we should fully keep them.**
- 5 Oh, that my ways were made so direct *
that I might keep your statutes!**
- 6 Then I should not be put to shame, *
when I regard all your commandments.**

**7 I will thank you with an unfeigned heart, *
when I have learned your righteous judgments.**

**8 I will keep your statutes; *
do not utterly forsake me.**

A period of silence is kept.

The Epistle 1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations? For when one says, "I belong to Paul," and another, "I belong to Apollos," are you not merely human?

What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each. For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

Please stand as able.

Gradual Music

The Gospel Matthew 5:21-37

All stand as able.

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Jesus said, "You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not murder'; and 'whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.' But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, 'You fool,' you will be liable to the hell of fire. So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell.

“It was also said, ‘Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.’ But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

“Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, ‘You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.’ But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let your word be ‘Yes, Yes’ or ‘No, No’; anything more than this comes from the evil one.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Please be seated.

Sermon The Reverend Jonathan Brice

The Nicene Creed

All stand and say together.

**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 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**

Please stand or kneel as able.



Prayers of the People

February 12, 2023

The Sixth Sunday After the Epiphany

*Our gracious God calls us to be ministers of reconciliation in a world refusing honor to God. In acknowledgement of our Lord's command, let us place our prayers before God saying: **Lord, hear our prayer.***

For the courage to live out God's commandments, graciously and without reservation, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For zealous preachers of the word, that by the Holy Spirit, they open the ears of their hearers to the good news of salvation and their eyes to the loveliness of God's wisdom, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For those chosen to govern peoples and nations, that God grant them the wisdom to promote the welfare of their people and the courage to work towards true peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For those who suffer from any form of oppression, that their tormentors learn to fear God's will and follow God's love, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For all who are sick and in need of our prayers that through our loving concern that they be comforted in their distress, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For our own needs, and that we may rejoice in Christ's command to celebrate his redeeming death and resurrection and so live out the mystery of the cross in our daily lives, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For those who have yearned to see God face to face, that they may receive eternal rest, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

In the World Council Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the people of Austria, Liechtenstein, Switzerland

In the Kansas Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the Church of the Epiphany, Sedan

let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For Those Serving in the Armed Forces: Devon Allen; Murphy Bright; Ben Dible; Coy Goodman; Michael Green; Harvey Hayselden; Benjamin Karpinski; Alex Shaw; Jose Te'o; Collin Kelly; Macauley Garton; Frank Bednar; Grant Bednar; Henry Kniggendorf; Sean Bess; Maxwell Hayselden

let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For Health & Strength: Caron Cline; Dale Pfeiffer; Wayne Fowler; Jeanne and Bruce Miller; The Dulle Family; The Hoffman and Maendele Families; Kristy Maendele; Auriana Atkins; Staci Hersh; John Birtwell and Family; Dorothy Beck; Theresa Textor; Budd Hughes; Eloise and Claton Clevenger and family; Dalton Peavler; Craig and Jeanette Burris;

let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For Birthdays: Nancy Hayselden; Jerome Maendele; Tim Rohrer Jr.; Shirley Goetz; Karen Craig; Junior Flores Jr.

let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Loving God, in your unsearchable wisdom you command us to do what is right and good, so that through faith-filled action we may come to recognize your loving concern for us. May we always be single-minded in carrying out your commands, especially to be reconciled with one another, and to approach your holy table in peace and unity. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

A period of silence is kept.

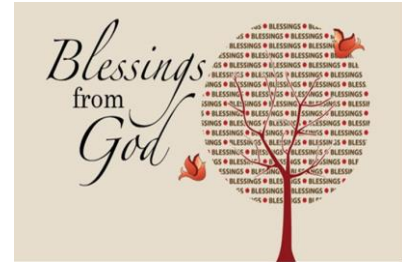
Collect

Celebrant

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Birthday Prayer

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



The Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
The people kneel as they are able.

Celebrant 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.**

Priest

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 Exchange of Peace

All stand as able.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**
Greet each other safely.

The Offertory Sentence

Celebrant

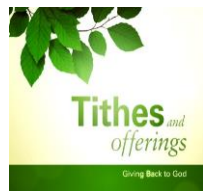
Ascribe to the Lord the honor due His name. Bring gifts and come into His courts. *Psalm 96:8*



Offertory Music

The Presentation of Bread and Wine

All stand as able.



Presentation of Gifts

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine.



Doxology

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

Celebrant All things come from you O Lord.

People **And of your own have we given you.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

Standing as you are able.

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 everywhere 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 say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

Said all together.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The people stand or kneel.

Celebrant

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:

Celebrant and People

**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.

Celebrant

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

The Lord's Prayer

(All together)

**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

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
Have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the
Sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God,
You take away the sins of the world; grant us peace.**

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.



HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion *All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister.*

Please wait until the usher releases your pew. You may stand or kneel at the altar rail. Father Jonathan will intinct the wafer in consecrated wine. If you do not desire this please make your needs known.

If you prefer a blessing only, cross your arms over your chest at the altar.

Communion Music

Kneel as you are able.

Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant 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 Blessing

Celebrant

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Announcements

Stand as able.

Recessional Music

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People ***Thanks be to God.***



Flowers Given: In Remembrance of My Husband Fred by Rosemary Kniggendorf



Rector: The Rev. Jonathan Brice

Music Director: Boyd Ahrens

Technical Team: Dennis Phillips

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