



Sunday, February 12, 2023

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany / Lectionary 6, Yr A

Ringing of Bell

PRELUDE *Bell Choir*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP: PSALM 119:1-8

- L: Happy are they whose way is blameless, who follow the teaching of the LORD!
C: **Happy are they who observe your decrees and seek you with all their hearts,**
L: who never do any wrong, but always walk in your ways.
C: **You laid down your commandments, that we should fully keep them.**
L: Oh, that my ways were made so direct that I might keep your statutes!
C: **Then I should not be put to shame, when I regard all your commandments.**
L: I will thank you with a true heart, when I have learned your righteous judgments.
C: **I will keep your statutes; do not utterly forsake me.**

HYMN *Healer of Our Every Ill*

ELW #612 vs.1-4

Refrain **Healer of our ev'ry ill, light of each tomorrow,
give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow.**

- 1 **You who know our fears and sadness,
grace us with your peace and gladness;
Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts. *Refrain***
- 2 **In the pain and joy beholding
how your grace is still unfolding,
give us all your vision, God of love. *Refrain***
- 3 **Give us strength to love each other,
ev'ry sister, ev'ry brother;
Spirit of all kindness, be our guide. *Refrain***
- 4 **You who know each thought and feeling,
teach us all your way of healing;
Spirit of compassion, fill each heart. *Refrain***

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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 — SHARING THE PEACE

GRATITUDE IN ACTION—OFFERING—OFFERTORY *Bell Choir*—GLOBE OFFERING...

Children are invited to bring forward an offering to the globe in the front of the church. Globe offerings will go to one of our global mission partners to be decided by our youth.

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Liberating God,

C: **you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free.
Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power,
and shape us as people of your justice and freedom.
You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior, Amen.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy One, source of our renewal,

C: **we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves.
We have not practiced your righteousness.
Our hearts have turned away from you.
For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us,
that we may be reconciled to one another
for the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P: Thus says our God: "The former things have come to pass
and new things I now declare." God's mercy makes us new.

We are forgiven in the name of ☩ Christ our Savior.

C: **Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION—LORD'S PRAYER—INVITATION TO COMMUNION

DISTRIBUTION & HYMN *Let Us Break Bread Together*

ELW #471 All vss.

1 **Let us break bread together on our knees;
let us break bread together on our knees.**

Refrain

**When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.**

2 **Let us drink wine together on our knees;
let us drink wine together on our knees. *Refrain***

3 **Let us praise God together on our knees;
let us praise God together on our knees. *Refrain***

COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

BENEDICTION

P: The God who faithfully brings forth justice
and breaks the oppressor's rod
✠ bless, strengthen, and uphold you,
today and always.

C: **Amen.**

HYMN *O Christ Our Hope*

ELW #604 vs.1,2,3,5

- 1 **O Christ, our hope, our hearts' desire,
creation's mighty Lord, redeemer of the fallen world,
by holy love outpoured, by holy love outpoured:**
- 2 **How vast your mercy to accept
the burden of our sin, and bow your head in cruel death
to make us clean within, to make us clean within.**
- 3 **But now the bonds of death are burst,
the ransom has been paid; you reign above at God's right hand,
in robes of light arrayed, in robes of light arrayed**
- 5 **All praise to you, ascended Lord;
all glory ever be to Father, Son, and Spirit blest
through all eternity, through all eternity!**

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DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

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