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6 p.m. Sat., Feb. 12, & 8:15 a.m. Sun., Feb. 13, 2022 Sermon: "Get a New Life! 1 Corinthians 15:12-20



St. Paul's Lutheran Church & School

- a Family to Whom You Belong -

Our Mission is to: Make More & Better Disciples

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

(6 p.m. Sat., Feb. 12 & 8:15 a.m. Sun., Feb. 13, 2022) Servants of God's House Pastor: Rev. Kenny Hsu DCE: Grace Wolfgram Organists: 6 p.m. Sat., Joyce Seymour; 8:15 a.m. Sun., Mabel Huldeen Ushers: Dallas Schulz Missionaries: Rev. Shauen & Krista Trump, Rev. Tim & Lisa Beckendorf, Rev. Paul Flo, Rev. Charles Cortwright Readers: 6 p.m. Sat., Ron Cason; 8:15 a.m. Sun. Susie Joines

WELCOME! We are glad that you are here worshipping God with us. We pray for God's blessings to you and invite you to come back again soon.

AS WE GATHER During the middle weeks of the winter season, many homes receive catalogs in the mail from seed and nursery companies that are filled with pictures of beautiful plants and trees. It is easy to project what we see in those catalogs into our own yards and gardens. But before we do any ordering, we must consider whether we can provide settings in which those plants and trees can flourish. In both the Old Testament Reading and the Psalm of the Day, we are given images not only of plants and trees that flourish, but of people who flourish—people with faith in the Lord Jesus, who bring blessings in every season.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. DIVINE SERVICE THREE Page 184

(The congregation is invited to respond with the words written in **bold**.)

The Ringing of the Bells

The Wave of Fellowship

Hymn of Invocation

"Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty" (stand as you are able for the last verse)

LSB 901

(The sign of the cross + may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.)

The Invocation Matthew 28:19b; (18:20)

P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Opening Sentences Psalm 30:10; 43:3; Proverbs 4:18; Isaiah 2:5b

- P: Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me!
- C: O LORD, be my helper.
- P: Send out Your light and Your truth; let them lead me;
- C: let them bring me to Your holy hill and to Your dwelling!
- P: The path of the righteous is like the light of dawn,
- C: which shines brighter and brighter until full day. Come, let us walk in the light of the LORD.



- P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. *Hebrews 10:22*
- P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C: who made heaven and earth. Psalm 124.8
- P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin. *Psalm 32:5* (A moment of silence for reflection of God's word and self-examination)
- P: O almighty God, merciful Father,
- C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. *John 20:19-23*
- C: Amen.

Psalm Psalm 1

- P: Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;
- C: but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on His law he meditates day and night.
- P: He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.
- C: The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.
- P: Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;
- C: for the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy" (Sung) Mark 10:47 Page 1 Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us. Page 186 The Gloria in Excelsis- "Glory to God in the Highest" (Sung) Page 187 P: Glory be to God on high, C: and on earth peace, goodwill toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee. we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Salutation and Collect of the Day (Sung)

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- P: The Lord be with you. 2 Timothy 4:22
- C: And with thy Spirit.
- P: Let us pray.
- C: O Lord, You bless the poor, the hungry, the weeping, and the persecuted. Mercifully hear the prayers of Your people when they call upon You, and give us faith to believe Your kingdom belongs to the humble of heart; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who with You and the Holy Spirit are one God, world without end. Amen.

<u>The First Reading</u> Jeremiah 17:5–8 (The man who trusts the Lord is blessed.)

⁵Thus says the LORD: "Cursed Pestament is the man who trusts in man Readings and makes flesh his strength, whose heart turns away from the LORD. ⁶He is like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see any good come. He shall dwell in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

⁷"Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. ⁸He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit."

- L: This is the Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

The Gradual We praise God together in the words of the Gradual.

Psalm 117:1–2a; 96:8

C: Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol Him, all peoples! For great is His steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name; bring an offering, and come into His courts!

The Epistle Lesson

1 Corinthians 15:12–20

(Paul teaches about the resurrection of the dead.)



¹²Now if Christ is proclaimed as not raised.

raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁴And if Christ has

not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain.

¹⁵We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he dad are did not raise if it is true that the dead are

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- C: Thanks be to God.

(Stand as you are able)

The Alleluia Luke 6:23a

C: Alleluia. Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven. Alleluia.

(Please remain standing for the Gospel and the Creed)

The Holy Gospel Luke 6:17–26

(Jesus preaches on the mountainside by the Sea of Galilee.)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 6th chapter.

C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord. (Sung)

Gespel, Reading ¹⁷And he came down with unclean spirits were cured. ¹⁹And all with unclean spirits were cured. ¹⁹And all the crowd sought to touch him, for power came out from him and healed them all. ²⁰And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, ¹⁸who came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. And those who were troubled

¹⁶For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁷And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. ¹⁹If in this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

"Get a New Life!" 1 Corinthians 15:12–20

"Blessed are you who weep now, for shall laugh."

²²"Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you and revile you and spurn your name as evil, on account of the Son of Man! ²³Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ. (Sung)

<u>Catechism</u> The Second Article

- P: Let us now confess the Second Article of the Apostles' Creed, and speak together the section of Luther's Small Catechism that tells of the redemption we receive from our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C: I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
- P: What does this mean?
- C: I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord,

who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death,

that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness,

just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.

This is most certainly true.

(Please be seated)

The Children's Message

Hymn of the Day "Renew Me, O Eternal Light"



²⁴"But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

²⁵"Woe to you who are full now, for you shall be hungry. "Woe to you who laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep.

²⁶"Woe to you, when all people speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets.

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Missionary Moment: Rev. Charles and Connie Cortright

Offering of God's People to their Beloved Savior



We honor God with the gifts He has given to us. **St. Paul's members** have pledged to support our ministry in their tithes and offerings. Please place your offerings in the box upfront. **To our guest:** Thank you for joining us today and please do not feel that you are obligated to participate. We invite you to come back again.

Please put your **Welcome Card** in the box at the back of the church.

Psalm 4:5—Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the Lord.

Offertory Hymn

"We Give Thee But Thine Own" LSB 781 vs. 1-4

(stand as you are able)

The Offertory (Sung) Psalm 51:10-12

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Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.



PRAYERS

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Celebrating the presence of the Lord in our midst, we pray for an increase of the Word, asking that God's messengers may continue to speak with power among us, bringing us the Good News of sins forgiven in Christ alone. Blessed Lord, in Your mercy,

CHURCH C: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.

- P: Plant us like trees by living waters, that we bear the fruit of the Spirit: love, joy, peace patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. By Your Spirit, direct our lives that we live as God's holy people. Blessed Lord, in Your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.
- P: Grant that Your blessing of peace be experienced throughout the world and that we as Your peaceable people shine brighter with the light of Your love. Blessed Lord, in Your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.
- P: In this time of prayer, we also make our petitions for the sick, the shut-in, and all who this day are in need of our intercession, we especially remember Glen Hood (Joseph Hood's father), and we continue to pray for those who have COVID and those who are weak and dealing with ongoing sicknesses: Tera Gilster, Carolyn Montagne, Amber Gilmore, Kelly Winegar, Helen Eriksen, Bernie Attema, Mary Kay Holiday, Deb Chellew, Bethamy Lewis, Suzy Awe, Wally Delzell, Sharon Sparr, and Pasty White and with Drew Wagner who is serving in a dangerous area overseas,

that their prayers may be soon answered, and that they may be supported by God's people with care in the name of Christ. Blessed Lord, in Your mercy,

- C: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.
- P: Grant that we be numbered among the blessed who bring aid to the poor, food to the hungry, comfort to the sorrowing, and hope to the despairing. Blessed Lord, in Your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.
- P: With gratitude, we remember those sisters and brothers in Christ whose earthly journeys are finished and who now enjoy the promised Sabbath rest especially be with the families of Jeanette Hult and Joann Williams as they both have passed away this past week. Grant that we be guided in ways that honor their earthly lives as we anticipate the heavenly life that is to come. Blessed Lord, in Your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.
- P: For those celebrating their baptismal anniversaries that they remain faithful to your Word including; Rich Schuldt, Samantha Jager, and Shelly Norton. Blessed Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.

P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.



Numbers 6:24-26

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F: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.

C: Amen, Amen, Amen. (Sung)

The Closing Hymn "There Is a Redeemer"

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Silent Prayer

<u>Postlude</u>

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