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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2022

Lectionary 6

Dove of Peace Lutheran Church 9:30 a.m.

MASKS AND PRECAUTIONS FOR COVID

Masks are required for worshipers, except when receiving communion. Worship leaders may remove their masks to speak or to chant.

IF YOU HAVE A POSITIVE TEST FOR COVID, please contact our pastor so that we can assess if others may been exposed, and make appropriate notifications. Your identity and health will be treated with discretion. [direct line to Pastor Springer's voicemail: 520-445-8730]

EXTRA PRECAUTIONS AREA

The northeast quadrant of the sanctuary is set aside for worshipers who are taking extra precautions to protect themselves and others.

- 1. A physical distance of at least six feet must be maintained.
- 2. The exchange of peace is made only with words, and only at a distance of at least six feet.

OFFERING

We are currently not passing the offering plates within the worship service, to avoid possible Covid transmission. We have an offering plate on the table in the entrance foyer. Please place your offering there as you enter or leave the sanctuary.

Alternately, you can mail your check to our office. Or donate safely and securely online at **www.doveofpeacetucson.org/donate.**

Thank you for your generous support of our congregation and our work.

If the spread of Covid continues to decline, the choirs and the celebration of communion will return in early March.

Sunday, February 13, 2022

Lectionary 6 C

WELCOME

Pastor Stephen Springer

Blessings and curses abound on the sixth Sunday after Epiphany. We would do well to listen closely to whom the "blessed ares" and the "woe tos" 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.

PROLOGUE

Pamela Decker, pipe organ

Canto
Edward Landin Senn (b. 1988)

Edward Landin Senn completed his bachelor's degree in organ performance at Westminster Choir College and went on to study with David Higgs, Kimberly Marshall, and the French organist Marie-Louise Langlais. He is Assistant Director of Music and Organist at Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church In Pennsylvania. He tours as a recitalist and is a published composer. His "Flourishes and Reflections" (published by The Sacred Music Press) includes "Canto," which is dedicated to Pamela Decker.

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the \pm Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Silence for reflection.

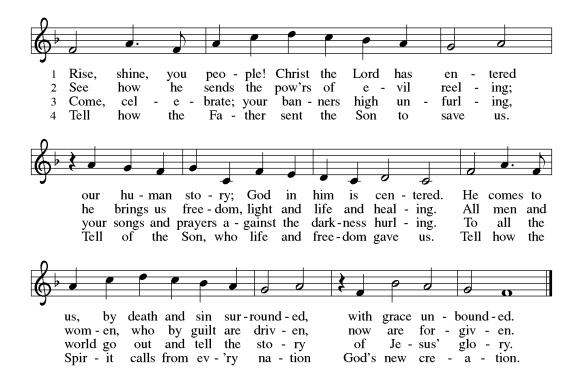
Gracious God,

have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of \pm Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.



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*GREETING

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

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

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.

Amen.

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.

A reading from Jeremiah.

⁵Thus says the Lord:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord.

⁶They 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.

⁷Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord.

⁸They 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.

⁹The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse— who can understand it?

¹⁰I the Lord test the mind

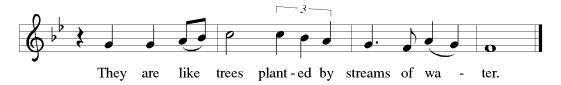
and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALMODY (ELW): Psalm I

The refrain is first introduced by the leader, then repeated by the assembly.



Psalm 1:3
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- '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!
- ²Their delight is in the law | of the LORD, and they meditate on God's teaching | day and night. REFRAIN
- ³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that | do not wither; everything they | do shall prosper.
- 'It is not so with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- ⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when ¹ judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council ¹ of the righteous.
- ⁶For the LORD knows the way ¹ of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall ¹ be destroyed. REFRAIN

SECOND READING: I Corinthians 15:12-20

For Paul, the resurrection of Christ is the basis for Christian hope. Because Christ has been raised, those who are in Christ know that they too will be raised to a new life beyond death.

A reading from First Corinthians.

¹²Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; ¹⁴and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. ¹⁵We 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. ¹⁶For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. ¹⁷If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. ¹⁹If for 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 first fruits of those who have died.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW 169

The assembly sings the acclamation before and after the verse of the day.



Cantor: Rejoice, and I leap for joy,*

for surely your reward is | great in heaven. [Luke 6:23]

*GOSPEL: Luke 6:12-26

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.

The Holy Gospel According to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁷[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. ¹⁸They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. ¹⁹And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

²⁰Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,

for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹"Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now,

for you will laugh.

²²"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³Rejoice 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.

²⁴"But woe to you who are rich,

for you have received your consolation.

²⁵"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.

²⁶"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Pastor Stephen Springer

*HYMN OF THE DAY

Be Thou My Vision

ELW 793



Text: Irish, 8th cent.; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860–1935, alt.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880–1931 Music: SLANE, Irish traditional

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each petition concludes, "Lord in your, mercy," and the assembly responds, "Hear our prayer."

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

Meditation on "Slane" Lawrence Vinyard (b. 1951)

Larry Vinyard earned the Doctor of Musical Arts (DMA) in organ performance at the University of Arizona, where he studied with Pamela Decker. He served for many years as Director of Music at Oro Valley Church of the Nazarene, where his music program's annual Christmas concerts (repeated eight times) drew thousands of people and were a significant community outreach. He is also an ordained pastor. His setting of the hymn tune "Slane," which is the hymn of the day, is a gentle, French-influenced treatment of this well-known melody.

Commission

The Lord sends us forth into his world.

*BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and \pm give you peace.

Amen.





My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus-tice burn.



Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a-bout to turn.

Text: Rory Cooney, b. 1952, based on the Magnificat Music: STAR OF COUNTY DOWN, Irish traditional

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EPILOGUE

Pamela Decker, pipe organ

Shine, Jesus, shine David Blackwell (b. 1961)

David Blackwell grew up in Oxford and studied music at Edinburgh College. He graduated First Class in 1983. He has served as Head of Music Publishing at Oxford University Press. He works as a composer, arranger, conductor, writer, and editor. As an instrumentalist, he plays the organ, piano, and cello.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

Dianne Huston, assisting minister John Hoelter, lector Eric Holtan, cantor Pamela Decker, organist

The altar flower today are given by Lauren and Lila Rhude to the glory of God and in memory of their son, Scott Rhude.

In our prayers...

Member Craig Priest, in rehab at Select Specialty Hospital.

Join our email prayer chain by going to doveofpeacetucson.org/emails



Submit a prayer request by going to doveofpeacetucson.org/prayer



Classical guitar concert at 2:00 p.m. today (online only). A freewill offering will be received for TIHAN.

Mardi Gras Jazz Service: Sunday, February 27, at 11:00 a.m.: The tradition continues, this time outdoors!

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