



Faith Episcopal Church at Wheeler Memorial Chapel

The Sixth Sunday after Epiphany – February 13, 2022

The Rev. Patricia E. Henking, Vicar & The Rev. Michael B. Reinke, Curate

Nancy E. Jamrog-Couret, Music Director; Jane Howard & Dawn MacKechnie, Wardens

10:00 am – An Order for Celebrating the Holy Eucharist, BCP p, 400 ff

✚ Also note: *This color print signifies music.* Bold, black Italics signifies "Please say in unison."

✚ The Rev. Michael Reinke will be ordained to the priesthood Feb. 19, at 11:00, Good Shephard, Nashua.

Prelude, Gathering and Announcements – Hymn #423 v. 1, 2 – Immortal, invisible

The Collect for Purity – Unison – 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.

Collect: 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.**

A Scripture Reading – Jeremiah 17:5-10

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.

Gradual Hymn #773 WLP – Heal me, hands of Jesus

A Gospel Reading – Luke 6:17-26

Jesus came down with the twelve apostles 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. All in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him & healed all of them. Then he looked up at his disciples & 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 & weep. Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

Homily – Aspiring to the Beatitudes doesn't work

Our Thank Offering – Prayers of Gratitude and Intercession may be offered – A donation is not required.

The Eucharistic Minister leads the Prayers of the People – Based on Lincoln's 2nd Inaugural Speech –

Let us pray to God, who dwells in the midst of all compassion, care and love: ***We remember that "the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether."***

With malice toward none, with charity for all: ***with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right,***

Let us strive on to finish the work we are in: ***to bind up the nation's, even still the world's, wounds,***

To care for those who shall have borne loss, violence or degradation: ***and for all widows and orphans, for refugees and all who are alone, for all in need of healing and light,***

To do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace: ***within and among ourselves, with all nations, and with all creatures upon this earth.***

✚ Unison: ***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.***

✚ Celebrant: Walk in love as Christ loved us, and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

At the Offertory & Preparation of the Altar Hymn #178 – Alleluia, alleluia

Consecration of Bread and Wine – The Great Thanksgiving



Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

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 God thanks and praise.***

Celebrant Let us pray together:

We give thanks to God for the work and blessing of Creation – and for sending Christ into the world in Love and Peace. We remember before God our hope in gathering today ...

***Santo, santo, santo, mi corazón te adora! Mi corazón te sabe decir: santo eres Señor!
Holy, holy, holy. My heart, my heart adores you! My heart is glad to say, the words: You are holy, Lord!***

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 & for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Recalling Christ's suffering and death, and celebrating his resurrection and ascension, we await his coming in glory. Accept, O Lord, our sacrifice of praise, this remembrance of your unfailing love.

Send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts. Let them be for us the Body and Blood of your Son. And grant that we who eat this bread and drink this cup may be filled with your life and goodness.

We pray that all may receive the benefits of Christ's work, and the renewal of the Holy Spirit.

Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

May the One anointed to heal our vision and set us free be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

The Breaking of the Bread, The Lord's Prayer, Holy Communion

During Communion – ***Ukuthula (Song sheet – NEJ-C)*** – Then the Celebrant says: Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing – ***Recessional Hymn #537 v. 1, 2 – Christ for the world we sing!***

The Dismissal is followed by the response, ***Thanks be to God. Ukuthula. Postlude***

The Prayer of the Sportsman – Berton Braley

Lord, in the battle that goes on through life - I ask but a field that is fair
A chance that is equal with all in strife, And courage to strive and to dare.
And if I should win, let it be by the code, With my faith and honor held high;
And if I should lose, let me stand by the road - And cheer as the winner goes by.

Amen.

