

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany
February 13, 2022
Living Faith Lutheran, Davis Bay, BC
A Service of Word and Sacrament

Preservice music/Announcements/Welcome

As we gather in this Sanctuary, we acknowledge that we meet on the unceded lands of the Sechelt Peoples and express our gratitude for their hospitality and stewardship of these sacred lands over countless generations.

Call to Worship *(Iona Community)*

God of God, Light of Light, True God of true God, **WE BLESS YOU.**

Object of the Magi's search, Subject of an old man's song,

Fulfillment of the Baptist's preaching, **WE BLESS YOU.**

Mary's son, Joseph's son, God's only son, **WE BLESS YOU!**

GATHERING

Gathering Song #528 "Come and Fill Our Hearts" *Sing three times*

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. / You alone, O Lord, are holy.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. / Alleluia!

Text: Psalm 136:1; Taizé Community

Greeting

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

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

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 Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

First Reading Jeremiah 17:5-10

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.

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 9:24-27

²⁴Do you not know that in a race the runners all compete, but only one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may win it. ²⁵Athletes exercise self-control in all things; they do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable one. ²⁶So I do not run aimlessly, nor do I box as though beating the air; ²⁷but I punish my body and enslave it, so that after proclaiming to others I myself should not be disqualified.

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia verse #171 *Sing twice*

*Response to the announcement of the Gospel: **Glory to you, O Lord***

Holy Gospel Luke 6:17-26

⁷He came down with them 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.

²²Blessed 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.

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

*Response to the reading of the Gospel: **Praise to you, O Christ***

Sermon

Song of the Day #725 "When the Poor Ones"

When the Poor Ones *Cuando el pobre*



1 *Cuan-do el po-bre na-da tie-ne y aún re-par-le,*
 1 When the poor ones, who have noth-ing, still are giv-ing;
 2 When com-pas-sion gives the suf-f'ring con-so-la-tion;
 3 When our spir-its, like a chal-ice, brim with glad-ness;
 4 When the good-ness poured from heav-en fills our dwell-ings;



cuan-do al-guien pa-sa sed y a-gua nos da,
 when the thirst-y pass the cup, wa-ter to share;
 when ex-pect-ing brings to birth hope that was lost;
 when our voic-es, full and clear, sing out the truth;
 when the na-tions work to change war in-to peace;



cuan-do el dé-bil a su her-ma-no for-ta-le-ce:
 when the wound-ed of-fer oth-ers strength and heal-ing:
 when we choose love, not the ha-tred all a-round us;
 when our long-ings, free from en-vy, seek the hum-ble:
 when the strang-er is ac-cept-ed as our neigh-bor:

Refrain / Estribillo



Va Dios mis-mo en nues-tro mis-mo ca-mi-nar;
 We see God, here by our side, walk-ing our way;



va Dios mis-mo en nues-tro mis-mo ca-mi-nar,
 we see God, here by our side, walk-ing our way.

- 2 *Cuando alguno sufre y logra su consuelo,*
cuando espera y no se cansa de esperar,
cuando amamos, aunque el odio nos rodee:
 Estribillo
- 3 *Cuando crece la alegría y nos inunda,*
cuando dicen nuestros labios la verdad,
cuando amamos el sentir de los sencillos:
 Estribillo
- 4 *Cuando abunda el bien y llena los hogares,*
cuando alguien donde hay guerra pone paz,
cuando "hermano" le llamamos al extraño:
 Estribillo

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Prayers of the Community

The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made, saying “God of grace” and responding “hear our prayer.” *A brief silence.*

Blessed are those whose trust is in you. Strengthen the faith of those who profess your name and bring reassurance to those who doubt or fear, especially those who wonder whether they will have enough money to buy food, comfort in their sorrows, hope in those times of darkness or depression. Through your church speak continued blessing into the world.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Those who trust in you are like trees planted by streams of water. Bless fruit trees with an abundant harvest. Protect rainforests from destruction. Restore land that has eroded after deforestation by flooding, fires or unrestricted logging. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Search the hearts of those who govern, that they lead with humility. Inspire leaders to collaborate on policies that protect people and the planet. Sustain truth-tellers and social movements that challenge society to become more honest and just. Particularly do we ask your wisdom and understanding upon those who are participants in or dealing with the trucking lockdowns across our land that this conflict can be resolved without more anger or heartache, loss of jobs or loss of face. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Send your blessings of mercy upon those who long for consolation. Tend to those struggling with poverty, unemployment, or uncertainty. Provide for all who are hungry. Console those who face persecution. Grant peace to all who suffer from sickness or sadness (*especially Ed and Terry, Margo and Margaret, Tory and Linda, Dorothy and Ingrid, Bud and Pam, Erika and Rikki, and those known only to us whose names and needs we bring before you now. . .*). God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Renew this congregation in our shared mission. As we plan and dream for the future you are preparing for us, inspire us by the examples of Martin Luther and all the reformers. Bless new ideas, projects and ministry partnerships. Give courage and support so important to those who imagine what might be waiting for us to see and do. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Christ is raised from the dead, and so we cling to the hope of the resurrection. We praise you for the lives of the saints who lived and died in the hope of eternal life with you (*especially Gwen and Sarah*). God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

Sharing of the Peace

A musical reflection is played as the table is set

Offering Prayer

Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe: You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light. **Amen.**

MEAL

Great Thanksgiving

God is with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to God.**

Let us give thanks to our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy. . .to praise your name and join their unending hymn:

#191 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Holy, holy, holy are you, God of power and might;

heaven and earth are filled with your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in your name. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Prayer over the gifts

Blessed are you, O holy God: you are the Life and Light of all.

By your powerful word you created all things.

Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.

Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son.

He is your Light, shining in our darkness and revealing to us your mercy and might.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people

for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his preaching and healing,

his dying and rising, and his promise to come again,

we await that day when all the universe will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.

By your Spirit bless us and this meal, that, refreshed with this heavenly food,

we may be light for the world, revealing the brilliance of your Son.

Through him all glory and honour is yours,

Eternal One, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever. **Amen**

Lord's Prayer *sung*

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread,

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Fraction The gifts of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God**

Invitation to the Meal Taste and see that the Lord is good.

#195 "Lamb of God" *sung as the servers come forward to prepare for distribution*

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Sharing of the Supper *As directed by the Presider*
Hymn during the Meal #496 "One Bread, One Body"

Refrain

One bread, one body, one Lord of all; one cup of blessing which we bless,
and we, though many throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

- 1 Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more. *Refrain*
- 2 Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all. *Refrain*
- 3 Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one for all. *Refrain*

Prayer after the Meal

We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house.
Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favour to all,
strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

SENDING

Blessing

Sending Song #887 "This Is My Song"

- 1 This is my song, O God of all the nations, a song of peace for lands afar and mine.
This is my home, the country where my heart is;
here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;
but other hearts in other lands are beating with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
- 2 My country's skies are bluer than the ocean, and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine.
But other lands have sunlight too, and clover, and skies are ev'rywhere as blue as mine.
So hear my song, O God of all the nations, a song of peace for their land and for mine.
- 3 This is my prayer, O God of all earth's kingdoms,
your kingdom come; on earth your will be done.
O God, be lifted up till all shall serve you, and hearts united learn to live as one.
So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations; myself I give you; let your will be done.

Postlude

Dismissal

Go with Christ into a weary world. Be the good news you share.

Thanks be to God.