



St. Mark's Anglican Church

The Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

February 16, 2025

Sung Eucharist at 10:30 am

Welcome to St. Mark's.

*The order of service is set forth in this service sheet.
Please stand and kneel as you are able—and as is your custom.
Please join in singing the hymns and saying the parts printed in **bold***

PRELUDE *Schmücke dich o liebe Seele*

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

HYMN 555

O God of Bethel, by Whose Hand

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

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Almighty God,
All **to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
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.**

THE COLLECT

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God,
whose Son Jesus Christ healed the sick
and restored them to wholeness of life,
look with compassion on the anguish of the world,
and by your power make whole all peoples and nations;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

All sit

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 17:5-10

Reader: Penny-Lynn Cookson

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.

Reader Thanks be to God.

PSALM

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Chant: E. J. Hopkins (1818-1901)



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!

Their delight is in the / law of ● the / Lord,
and they meditate / on his ● law / day and / night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that / do not / wither;
every- / thing they / do shall / prosper.

It is not so / with the / wicked;
they are like / chaff which ● the / wind blows● a- / way.

Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when / judgment / comes,
nor the sinner in the / coun-cil / of the / righteous.

For the Lord knows the / way of ● the / righteous,
but the / way of ● the / wicked ● is / doomed.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Reader: Penny-Lynn Cookson

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation is in vain and your faith is in vain. We 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. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile, and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

Reader Thanks be to God.

HYMN

Words: Daniel Charles Damon , 2002

Music: Daniel Charles Damon, 2000 (Hawk Springs)



Com - pan - ion___ of the poor:___ God with us___ in our
 (Com -)pan - ion___ of the poor:___ You do as___ love com
 (Com -)pan - ion___ of the poor:___ By grace we___ change our
 (Com -)pan ion___ of the poor:___ We learn to___ care and
 (Com -)pan - ion___ of the poor:___ Set ev - ery___ heart a -



need,___ you know the pain of pov - er - ty, the
 mands;___ you turn the ta - bles of our greed with
 ways,___ till jus - tice ris - es from our lives, and
 bless,___ and so, with you, we take to task the
 blaze,___ un - til com - pas - sion fills the earth, and



cry that has no creed. ___ Com -
 strong, de - ter - mined hands. ___ Com -
 mer - cy fills our days. ___ Com -
 sys - tems that op - press. ___ Com -
 ev - ry song is _____ praise. ___

GOSPEL

Luke 6:17-26

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

He 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. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases, and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And everyone in the crowd was trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. Then he looked up at his disciples and 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 on that day and

leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated 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 and weep. Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.”

Celebrant The Gospel of Christ.
People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Rector

All stand

THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant Let us confess our faith, as we say,
All **We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.
With the Father and the Son
he is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic
and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: James Mainprize

Leader Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy,

***People* hear our prayer.**

Leader Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lord, in your mercy,

***People* hear our prayer.**

Leader Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy,

***People* hear our prayer.**

Leader Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Lord, in your mercy,

***People* hear our prayer.**

Leader Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Lord, in your mercy,

***People* hear our prayer.**

Leader We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy,

***People* hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

*CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table.
Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

All Most merciful God,
**we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

WORDS OF WELCOME

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

HYMN 505

Be Thou My Vision

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

All

Therefore, Father, according to his command,
we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

Celebrant

and we offer our sacrifice
of praise and thanksgiving
to you, Lord of all;
presenting to you, from your creation,
this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God,
to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,
that they may be the sacrament
of the body of Christ
and his blood of the new covenant.
Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,
that we, made acceptable in him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time,
reconcile all things in Christ
and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light
where you dwell with all your sons and daughters;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
the firstborn of all creation,
the head of the Church,
and the author of our salvation;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,
now and forever.

People **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
All **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,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

*THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
People **We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God,
People **Thanks be to God.**

LAMB OF GOD

Common Praise, no. 690

THE COMMUNION

*Please follow the directions of the greeters as you make your way to the altar
Kneeling and standing are both appropriate postures to receive the Eucharist*

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924)

Verbe égal au Très-Haut, notre unique espérance, Jour éternel de la terre et des cieux, De la paisible nuit nous rompons le silence: Divin sauveur, jette sur nous les yeux.	<i>Word of God, our only hope, Eternal day of the earth and the heavens, We break the silence of the peaceful night; Divine Savior, cast thine eyes upon us!</i>
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Répands sur nous le feu de ta grâce puissante;	<i>Lay upon us the fire of Thy mighty grace,</i>
Que tout l'enfer fuie au son de ta voix;	<i>That all hell may flee at the sound of thy voice</i>
Dissipe ce sommeil d'une âme languissante	<i>Banish the slumber of a languishing soul,</i>
Qui la conduit à l'oubli de tes lois!	<i>Which makes it forgetful of Thy laws!</i>

O Christ! sois favorable à ce peuple fidèle,	<i>O Christ, be merciful to thy faithful people</i>
Pour te bénir maintenant assemblé;	<i>Assembled here to praise Thee;</i>
Reçois les chants qu'il offre à ta gloire immortelle,	<i>Receive the songs they offer to Thy immortal glory;</i>
Et de tes dons qu'il retourne comblé.	<i>May they return laden with Thy gifts.</i>

- Jean Racine (1633-1699) Hymnes traduites du Bréviaire romain

After communion, all stand for

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

<i>Celebrant</i>	All your works praise you, O Lord.
<i>All</i>	And your faithful servants bless you.

**Gracious God
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son
Jesus Christ.
May we, who share his body,
live his risen life;
we, who drink his cup,
bring life to others;
we, whom the Spirit lights,
give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
So that we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen**

THE BLESSING

THE DISMISSAL

<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us go forth in peace to love and serve the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God.

HYMN 529

God, My Hope on You Is Founded

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