

Offering

(The children's offering basket will be on the front steps of the church, so that they can in yet another way feel involved in Sunday worship)



Offertory Hymn

Blest Are They

ELW #728

Offertory Prayer

L: Blessed are you, O God,

C: **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.

Holy Communion

+Words of Institution

+Lord's Prayer

+Distribution Hymn

+Blessing

O Master, Let Me Walk with You

ELW#818

Benediction

Three-fold Amen

Closing Hymn

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve

ELW #551 (vss. 1, 2 & 4)

Sending:

P: Go in Peace, Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

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Welcome! We are glad you are with us today!!

"If you do not have a church home, you are welcome here. If you would like to become a member, contact any member or the church office."

Sunday, February 20th, 2022; 9:30 am

Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

(Please sign the fellowship pads as they are passed)

Confession and Forgiveness

ELW p. 94

Opening Hymn

Christ, Be Our Light

ELW#715 (vss. 1, 3, 5)

Prayer of the Day (All)

O Lord Jesus, make us instruments of your peace, that where there is hatred, we may sow love, where there is injury, pardon, and where there is despair, hope. Grant, O divine master, that we may seek to console, to understand, and to love in your name, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Lesson

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Kathy Reisenweber

³Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

⁴Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. ⁵And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. ⁶For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. ⁷God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. ⁸So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. ⁹Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. ¹⁰You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. ¹¹I will provide for you there—since

there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.’”¹⁵ And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

³⁵But someone will ask, “How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?”³⁶Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies.³⁷And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain.³⁸But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

⁴²So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable.⁴³It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power.⁴⁴It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body.⁴⁵Thus it is written, “The first man, Adam, became a living being”; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit.⁴⁶But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual.⁴⁷The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven.⁴⁸As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven.⁴⁹Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

⁵⁰What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

Alleluia Verse

Alleluia

(refrain)

*Alleluia, Alleluia, I am the light of the world,
Alleluia, Alleluia, I am the light of the world,*

*Those who follow me, will not walk in darkness,
Those who follow me, will have the light of life.* (refrain)

Gospel

Luke 6:27-38

Pastor Greg Johnson

(Response after the announcement: **Glory to you, O Lord.**)

[Jesus said:]²⁷“But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you,²⁸ bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you.²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt.³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again.³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you.

³²“If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them.³³If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same.³⁴If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit

is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again.³⁵But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked.³⁶Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

³⁷“Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven;³⁸give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.”

(Response after the conclusion: **Praise to you, O Christ.**)

Children’s Sermon

Bruce Bonander

Sermon

“Beyond a Baker’s Dozen”

Pastor Greg Johnson

Hymn of the Day

Take My Life, That I May Be

ELW #685 (vss. 1, 2, 5-6)

Apostles Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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 to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

Prayers of the Church