

MINISTRY
THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
YEAR A - FEBRUARY 5, 2023 - 9:00 A.M.

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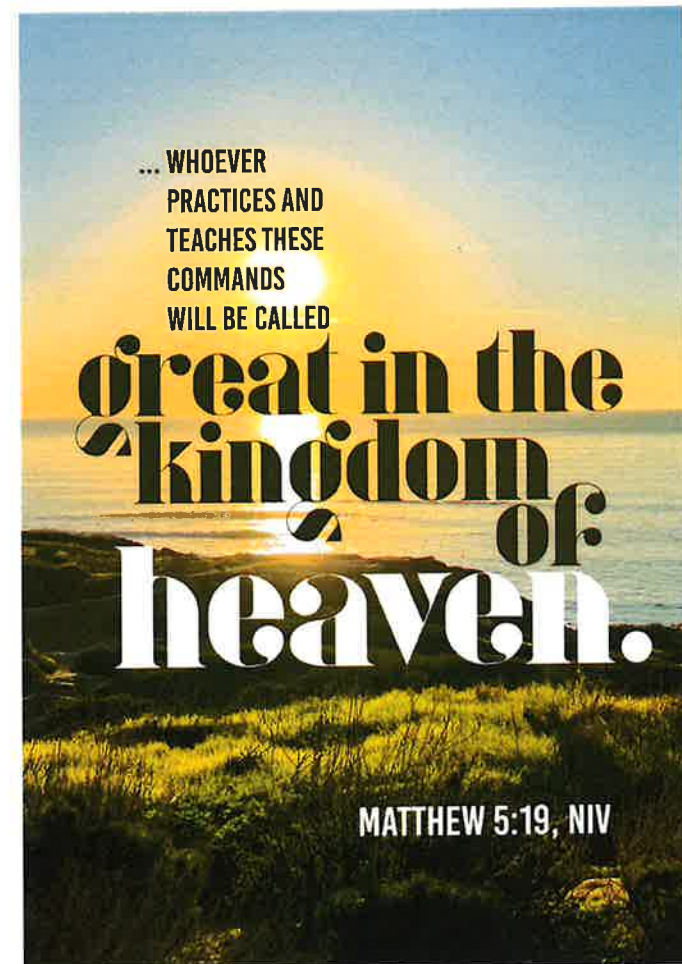
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Prelude: *Prelude and Fugue in E Minor - 05*

Opening Prayer

Land Acknowledgement:

We gather today in this sacred place, on sacred ground, and we remember those who have come before us. The people of St. Luke's Episcopal Church of Grants Pass, Oregon, acknowledge the original caretakers of the land on which we reside. The Rogue River Tribes included the Takelma, Athapaskans, the Shastas and Umpquas. In the 1850's, these Tribes were displaced when colonization and the Gold Rush brought Euro-Americans to their lands. They endured persecution, starvation, epidemics, warfare and were forcibly removed to reservations in Western Oregon.

Today, living descendants of these people are a part of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon and the Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Indians. We honor these Indigenous people who have lived and worked on this land historically and presently.

Opening Hymn: *Thou, whose almighty word* Hymn 371
The Holy Eucharist, Rite II BCP 355

Priest: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
People: *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

The Collect for Purity (*said in unison*) BCP 355

The Gloria BCP 356

The Collect of the Day (*traditional*)

The Lesson: Isaiah 58:1-9a, [9b-12]

(*silence*)

The Psalm: 112:1-9, [10] (*said in unison with Gloria Patri*)

The Epistle: 1 Corinthians 2:1-12, [13-16] *Response: Thanks be to God.*

(*silence*)

Sequence Hymn: *How wondrous and great* Hymn 533

Announcement of the Gospel: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

The Gospel: Matthew 5:13-20

After the Gospel: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon The Rev. Ernestein C. Flemister

(*silence*)

The Nicene Creed (Large Print page 90) BCP 358

The Prayers of the People II BCP 385

The Confession of Sin BCP 360

The Peace (Large Print page 98)

The Offertory

Offertory Hymn: *I Surrender All* LEVAS 133

The Doxology (*traditional, said in unison*)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
Praise him, all creatures here below,
Praise him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Holy Communion, Eucharistic Prayer B BCP 367

The Sanctus (*said in unison*) BCP 362

The Lord's Prayer (*traditional*) (Large Print page 110) BCP 364

(*All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you do not wish to receive, you may come forward to the rail and cross your arms for a blessing. If kneeling is difficult please feel free to stand. If you need communion brought to your seat, please notify an usher for assistance.*)

Communion Hymn: *Let us break bread together* Hymn 325

Announcements

Post-communion Prayer BCP 365

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: *Savior, again to thy dear Name we raise* Hymn 345

Postlude: *Allegretto - 05*

The Dismissal



Please remain seated until the Altar Candles are extinguished.



that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. [And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual. Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny. "For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?" But we have the mind of Christ.]

GOSPEL: Matthew 5:13-20

JESUS SAID, "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

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COLLECT

Sunday, February 5, 2023

Traditional

SET US FREE, O God, from the bondage of our sins and give us, we beseech thee, the liberty of that abundant life which thou hast manifested to us in thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Contemporary

SET US FREE, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

FIRST READING: Isaiah 58:1-9a, [9b-12]

SHOUT OUT, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God. "Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?" Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord? Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the

hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. [If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.]

Refrain

Happy are they who have given to the poor.

Psalm 112:1-9, [10] *from the Book of Common Prayer*

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| 1 | Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord * and have great delight in his commandments! | righteousness will last for ever. |
| 2 | Their descendants will be mighty in the land; * the generation of the upright will be blessed. | 4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; * the righteous are merciful and full of compassion. |
| 3 | Wealth and riches will be in their house, * and their | 5 It is good for them to be generous in lending * and to manage their affairs with justice. |

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| 6 | For they will never be shaken; * the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance. | 9 They have given freely to the poor, * and their righteousness stands fast for ever; they will hold up their head with honor. |
| 7 | They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; * their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord. | 10 [The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; * the desires of the wicked will perish.] |
| 8 | Their heart is established and will not shrink, * until they see their desire upon their enemies. | |

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 2:1-12, [13-16]

WHEN I CAME TO YOU, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him"—these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit

WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS!

We are delighted to have you worship with us today. Please sign our guest book and join us for refreshments following the service. We have activities for children in a basket in the vestibule. Yellow Information Cards are also in the vestibule. If you wish to get involved with a ministry or activity, or interested in becoming a member, please fill one out and place it in the collection plate. Thank you.

A Note on Pastoral Care

When a need for pastoral care arises, please contact one of the following below, and they will share your request with their team:

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Land Acknowledgment

For non-Indigenous communities, land acknowledgment is a **powerful way of showing respect and honoring the Indigenous Peoples of the land on which we work and live**. Acknowledgment is a simple way of resisting the erasure of Indigenous histories and working towards honoring and inviting the truth. We encourage you to learn about the land we reside on and to join us in advocating for the inherent sovereignty of all indigenous people.

Parish Notes

Congratulations to newly-elected Vestry members, Dennis James, Louis Delp, and Alison Huber. Thank you for stepping up to serve St. Luke's with your talents and dedication, and thank you to those who rotated off the Vestry.

Feb. 19 (Sun.) The service will be Morning Prayer, Rite II.

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