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SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

HOLY EUCHARIST - RITE II

8:30 a.m. (Spoken)

11 a.m. (Choral Music)

ORGAN PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN (*LEVAS # 245*) ~ "We Have Come Into This House"

OPENING HYMN (*LEVAS # 62*) ~ "In Christ There Is No East or West"

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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THE GLORIA ~ (*LEVAS # 243*)

THE COLLECT

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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.*

THE LESSONS

THE OLD TESTAMENT: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. (*NRSV*)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

- ¹Happy are they whose way is blameless, *
 who walk in the law of the Lord!
- ²Happy are they who observe his decrees *
 and seek him with all their hearts!
- ³Who never do any wrong, *
 but always walk in his ways.
- ⁴You laid down your commandments, *
 that we should fully keep them.
- ⁵Oh, that my ways were made so direct *
 that I might keep your statutes!
- ⁶Then I should not be put to shame, *
 when I regard all your commandments.
- ⁷I will thank you with an unfeigned heart, *
 when I have learned your righteous judgments.
- ⁸I will keep your statutes; *
 do not utterly forsake me.

THE NEW TESTAMENT: 1 Corinthians 3:1-9

And so, brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarrelling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations? For when one says, 'I belong to Paul', and another, 'I belong to Apollos', are you not merely human? What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labour of each. For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building. (*NRSV*)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE GRADUAL HYMN (LEVAS # 64) HYMN OF THE MONTH ~ "I Love to Tell the Story"

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
Matthew 5: 21-37

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

"You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not murder'; and 'whoever murders shall be liable to judgement.' But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgement; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, 'You fool', you will be liable to the hell of fire. So

when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell.

It was also said, ‘Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.’ But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery. Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, ‘You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.’ But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let your word be ‘Yes, Yes’ or ‘No, No’; anything more than this comes from the evil one. (NRSV)

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

THE SERMON

THE RECTOR

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM III

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CONCLUDING COLLECT

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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. *Amen.*

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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THE ABSOLUTION

THE PEACE ~ *Please stand.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM (AAHH 395) ~ *“I Love the Lord, He Heard My Cry”*

(Ushers collect our gifts to God, carry them and tokens of God’s gifts to us (bread and wine) to the altar, where the bread and wine are offered first, then monetary gifts. After all these gifts are on the altar, all sing the Doxology.)

DOXOLOGY (*HYMNAL # 380, vs. 3*) ~ “Praise to God”

THE HOLY EUCHARIST ~ *Eucharistic Prayer B*

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The people remain standing.

Celebrant and People (The Sanctus – *LEVAS #253*) ~ “Holy, Holy, Holy”

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The people stand or kneel.

THE LORD’S PRAYER ~ (*LEVAS #263*)

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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A period of silence is kept.

THE FRACTION ANTHEMS

(*LEVAS # 268*) ~ “Christ Our Passover”

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; *therefore let us keep the feast.*

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(*LEVAS # 269*) ~ “O Lamb of God”

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: *have mercy on us.*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: *have mercy on us.*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: *grant us peace.*

(All baptized Christians are invited to come to the altar rail; kneel or stand with hands outstretched to receive the bread. All then decide whether to receive the wine by dipping the bread or drinking from the large common cup.)

COMMUNION HYMN (*HYMNAL# 304*) ~ “I Come With Joy to Meet My Lord”

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN (*HYMNAL# 616*) ~ “Hail to the Lord’s Anointed”

CHORAL BENEDICTION ~ “Let the Church Say Amen”

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrate: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE POSTLUDE