

Love God,

Love Our Neighbors,

Serve the World

Sunday, February 9, 2020 8:30 am Fífth Sunday after Epíphany

\*Please stand if able

Prelude

Welcome

*Gathering Hymn	"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"	#759
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### \*Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, № one God, the eternal voice from heaven, the anointed and beloved one, the Spirit moving over the waters .**Amen.** 

As we approach the mystery of God, let us come in confession, trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God who searches us and knows us, you have shown us what is good, but we have looked to other lights to find our way. We have not been just in our dealings with others. We have chosen revenge over mercy. We have promoted ourselves instead of walking humbly with you. With what shall we come before you? Forgive us our sin, and show us your salvation in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Beloved of God, you have not received the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ. Receive the promise of baptism: You are God's child; ♥ your sins are forgiven. Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of heaven. Amen.

## \*Greeting

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

And also with you.





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# \*Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

(Please be seated.)

# First Reading: Isaiah 58:1-9a [9b-12]

<sup>1</sup>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.

<sup>2</sup>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.

<sup>3</sup>"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.

<sup>4</sup>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.

<sup>5</sup>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?

<sup>6</sup>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?

<sup>7</sup>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?

<sup>8</sup>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.

<sup>9a</sup>Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

[<sup>9b</sup>If you remove the yoke from among you,

the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,

<sup>10</sup>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. <sup>11</sup>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.

<sup>12</sup>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.]

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# Psalm: Psalm 112:1-9 [10]

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the LORD and have great delight in God's commandments!

<sup>2</sup>Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.

<sup>3</sup>Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last forever.

<sup>4</sup>Light shines in the darkness for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full of compassion. <sup>5</sup>It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.

## <sup>6</sup>For they will never be shaken;

the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.

<sup>7</sup>They will not be afraid of any evil rumors;

their heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

- <sup>8</sup>Their heart is established and will not shrink, until they see their desire upon their enemies.
- <sup>9</sup>They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever; they will hold up their head with honor.
- [<sup>10</sup>The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; the desires of the wicked will perish.]

# Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-12 [13-16]

<sup>1</sup>When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. <sup>2</sup>For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. <sup>3</sup>And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. <sup>4</sup>My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, <sup>5</sup>so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

<sup>6</sup>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. <sup>7</sup>But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. <sup>8</sup>None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. <sup>9</sup>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"-

<sup>10</sup>these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. <sup>11</sup>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. <sup>12</sup>Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. [<sup>13</sup>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.

<sup>14</sup>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. <sup>15</sup>Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny.

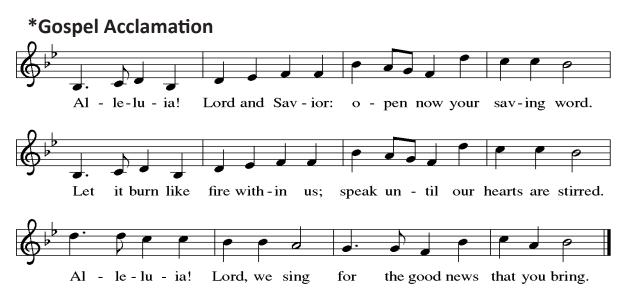
<sup>16</sup>"For who has known the mind of the Lord

so as to instruct him?"

But we have the mind of Christ.]

The word of the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God.



## \*Gospel Lesson: Matthew 5:13-20

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 5th Chapter.

## Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] <sup>13</sup>"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.

<sup>14</sup>"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. <sup>15</sup>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. <sup>16</sup>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.

<sup>17</sup>"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. <sup>18</sup>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. <sup>19</sup>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. <sup>20</sup>For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated.)		
Sermon		Pastor Roger Grow
Hymn of the Day	"Let Justice Flow Like Streams"	#717

## \*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 Intercession** Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

# \*Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

(Please extend a greeting of peace to those around you.)

(Please be seated.)

# Offering

# \*Offering Prayer

God of wonder,

you formed us in our mother's womb, and from mother earth you bring forth this bread and wine. We place them on your table, together with our lives and all that you have made.

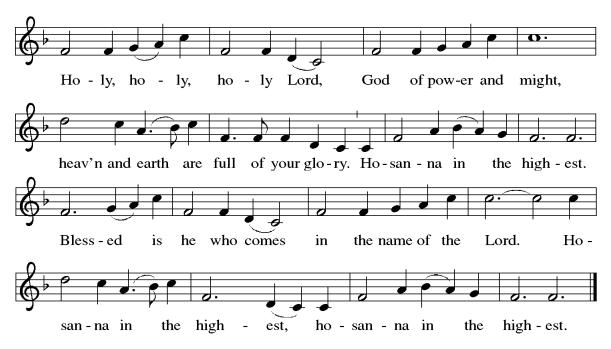
Open the heavens to us and pour out your Spirit. We wait for your mercy; we long for your peace; we hunger and thirst for Jesus Christ, our banquet of life.

Amen.

# \*Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.** 

## \*Preface



## \*Words of Institution

## \*Lord's Prayer

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, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

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## **Communion Distribution**

All who believe that Christ is truly present in this meal and are baptized are welcome to commune today. Communion today is served by intinction which simply means to come forward to the server to receive the wafer, hold on to it, then dip it into either wine or grape juice and consume the elements.

<b>Communion Hymns:</b>	"Let Us Break Bread Together"	#471
	"Beautiful Savior"	#838

### **Prayer After Communion**

Faithful God, you have kept your promise to us in this meal, nourishing us with the gift of salvation. Now send your servants forth in peace, that we may testify to your goodness and share the hope that is ours in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

### Announcements

### \*Benediction

May Christ, the wisdom and power of God, and the source of our life together, keep you united in mind and purpose. And the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the ♣ Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you always. **Amen.** 

*Sending Hymn	"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"	#324
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### \*Dismissal

Go in peace. Let your light shine. Thanks be to God.

### Postlude