

# THE LORD'S DAY

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Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany



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Morning Worship Service: 10:15 AM • Evening Catechism Service: 5:00 PM

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**MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE**  
**10:15 AM**

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Prelude and Silent Prayer

*(Once the prelude begins, please remain silent as the congregation prepares for worship)*

Almighty God, be present among us in power, and with great might comfort and sustain us; that though our sins and wickedness would hinder us in the race that is set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

God Calls Us to Worship

†Call to Worship Daniel 2:20b-23a

Blessed be the name of God forever and ever, to whom belong wisdom and might. He changes times and seasons; he removes kings and sets up kings; he gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to those who have understanding; he reveals deep and hidden things; he knows what is in the darkness, and the light dwells with him. To you, O God of my fathers, I give thanks and praise.

†Opening Prayer

†Responsive Reading Rev. 1:4-5; Psa. 65

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

**Amen!**

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion,

**And to you shall vows be performed.**

O you who hear prayer,

**To you shall all flesh come.**

When iniquities prevail against me,

**You atone for our transgressions.**

Blessed is the one you choose and bring near,  
to dwell in your courts!

**We shall be satisfied with the goodness of  
your house, the holiness of your temple!**

†“Worship Christ, the Risen King!” #369\*

God Assures Us of Forgiveness

Call to Confession Matthew 22:35-40

Prayer of Confession

**Most holy and merciful Father; We acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature prone to evil and slothful in good and all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned: in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. But you, O Lord, have pity upon us who are ashamed and sorry for all the ways in which we have displeased you. Teach us to hate our errors; cleanse us from our secret faults; And forgive our sins for the sake of your dear Son. And O most holy and loving Father, help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon Romans 6:5-11

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So

you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Response of Praise

O Lord, open my lips,

**and my mouth will declare your praise.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

**Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing to proclaim the glory of your Name!**

†Psalm 32B

Pastoral Prayer

†Psalm 49; 1-5

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Old Testament Reading Proverbs 29  
This is the Word of the Lord. (p. 550)  
**Thanks be to God!**

New Testament Reading Matthew 5:21-26  
This is the Word of the Lord. (p. 810)  
**Thanks be to God!**

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon Rev. Nick Smith

MATTHEW 5:21-26  
BE RECONCILED TO YOUR BROTHER  
EXPOSITION OF MATTHEW 5-7 #5

†“Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken” #403

God Communes with Us  
in the Lord’s Supper

Preparation and Prayer of Consecration

By the promise of God this bread and wine are for us the body and blood of Christ. Lift up your hearts!

**We lift them up to the Lord!**

Distribution of the Bread and Wine

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Offering 1<sup>st</sup>: General Fund  
2<sup>nd</sup>: Building Capital Fund

God Blesses Us and  
Sends Us to Be a Blessing

†Benediction Numbers 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

**Amen!**

†Doxology (unannounced) #568\*

**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. Amen.**

Postlude

† = please stand, if able

**bold** = congregational response

\* = the congregation is invited to lift hands (during last stanza); cf. Ps. 63:4, 1 Tim. 2:8

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## EVENING CATECHISM SERVICE

5:00 PM

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### Prelude and Silent Prayer

*(Once the prelude begins, please remain silent as the congregation prepares for worship)*

O LORD, I call upon you; hasten to me! Give ear to my voice when I call to you. Let my prayer be counted as incense before you, and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice. (Psalm 141:1-2)

### Welcome and Announcements

†Call to Worship Psalm 138:1-2

I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise; I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word.

†Opening Prayer

†Responsive Reading Psa. 124:8; Eph. 1:2

Our help is in the name of the LORD,

**Who made heaven and earth.**

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**Amen!**

†Psalm 138B

†Confession of Faith The Nicene Creed

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us men and**

**for our salvation, came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic<sup>1</sup> and apostolic church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

†Gloria Patri (unannounced) #571\*

**Glorry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

### God's Will for Our Lives

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. You shall have no other gods before me.

**For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever! (Rom. 11:36)**

You shall not make for yourself a carved image... You shall not bow down to them or serve them.

**In Christ we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. (Col. 1:14-15)**

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<sup>1</sup> "Catholic" means universal; that is, there is one church across all times, places, and peoples (Belgic Confession, art. 27; Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 54).

You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

**Let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. (Heb. 13:15)**

Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God.

**Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. (Col. 3:16)**

Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long, and that it may go well with you in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

**Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. (Col. 3:20)**

You shall not murder.

**Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. (Eph. 4:32)**

You shall not commit adultery.

**You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body. (1 Cor. 6:20)**

You shall not steal.

**Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. (Eph. 4:28)**

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

**Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ. (Eph. 4:15)**

You shall not covet ... anything that is your neighbor's.

**I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. (Phi. 4:11)**

Pastoral Prayer

**Our Father who is in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen!**

*Psalm of the Month*

†Psalm 44; 1-4, 11-12

Scripture Reading

Acts 28:1-10

This is the Word of the Lord.

(p. 937)

**Thanks be to God!**

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

Mr. Brennan Kiledjian

ACTS 28:1-10

INSTEAD OF DEATH, LIFE

†“Jesus Sinners Doth Receive”

#441

Offering

General Fund

†Benediction

2 Corinthians 13:14

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

**Amen!**

†“Jerusalem the Golden”

(unannounced)

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