# The Sixth Sunday After The Epiphany Holy Eucharist: Rite || ~ February 12, 2023

The Sermon on the Mount: Jesus' commandments call for a profound commitment, leading the Christian to witness to a distinctive way of life.

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Prelude	If You But Trust in God to Guide Thee	Paul Manz
Processional Hymn 635 "If You But Trust in God to Guide Thee"		
Opening Sentences		BCP Page 355
The Gloria (Hymnal <b>S-278</b> )		BCP Page 356
THE WORD OF GOD		
The Collect of the Day (6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany) BCP Page 216		
First Lesson Deuteronomy 30:15-20		
Psalm 112:1-9		BCP Page 755
Second Lesson		Corinthians 3:1-9
Sequence Hymn 674 "Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive"		
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluía, alleluía.		
Christ was revealed in flesh, proclaimed among the nations		
and believed in throughout the world.		
Allelı	uía.	
Gospel		Matthew 5:21-37
The Sermon Th		Stuart Clary Wood
The Nicene Creed		BCP Page 358
The Prayers of the People: Form V BCP Page 389		
Invitation to Confession: The grace of God has dawned upon the world		
through our Savior Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to		
purify a people as his own.		
Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.		
The Confession and Absolution		BCP Page 360
The Peace		BCP Page 360
Our Savior Christ is the Prince of Peace.		
Of the increase of his government and of peace		
	there shall be no end.	
	The peace of the Lord be always with you	
People	And also with you.	
Offertory	Wer nur den lieben Gott	J. S. Bach
THE HOLY COMMUNION		
Officiant	Father, in Christ there has sprung up a li	_
righteous; accept the offering of your Church and grant that Christ may shine in us		
to the praise and glory of your name. <i>Amen.</i>		
The Great Thanksgiving: Prayer A BCP Page 361		
Sanctus and Benedictus (Hymnal <b>5-128</b> )		BCP Page 362
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The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread:

Officiant Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,

People we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Officiant Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin

of the world. Blessed are those who are called to

his supper.

People Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,

but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Agnus Dei (Hymnal **S-164**)

Communion Hymn 707 "Take My Life and Let It Be"

Post Communion Prayer

God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Savior's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

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The Blessing: Keep your eyes fixed on Jesus, who was wounded for our

sins, that you may bear in your life the love and joy and peace which are the marks of Jesus in his disciples;

and the blessing of God almighty,

the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

Recessional Hymn 594 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

The Dismissal Go in the light and peace of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude Cwn Rhondda Paul Manz

## The Collect of the Day

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 First Lesson**

## **Deuteronomy 30:15-20**

Moses said, "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."

Psalm 119:1-8

Beati immaculati

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

The Epistle I Corinthians 3:1-9

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 quarreling 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 labor of each. For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

The Gospel Matthew 5:21-37

Jesus said, "You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not murder'; and 'whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.' But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; 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."

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We give thanks for those who are celebrating their birthdays this week: Virginia Miller; and for those celebrating their anniversaries: Henry & Peg Moncure, and Harold Johnson & Diane Martin.

Please remember in your prayers those on our Prayer List: Peg Moncure, Garry Clay, Barbara Cockrell, Zubin, Merri Hanson, Lori Rexinger, Br. Christopher Hamlett, Joanne Bruce, Dick Debnam, Janet Lunden, Lucille Redmon, Don Stebbins, Bernie Whittkamp, Bob Flynn, Darby Lancaster, and Dan Mulligan.

We pray for our Diocese and in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for the clergy and parishioners of St. John's, Emmanuel, Lamb's Creek – King George.

The mid-week Eucharist is celebrated on Wednesday mornings in the parish hall chapel at 9:30 a.m.

#### PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

#### Holy Eucharist: Rite I 8:00 a.m.

Celebrant / Sermon The Rev. Stuart Clary Wood Acolyte / Lector Dave Wilcox Usher Henry Moncure

#### Holy Eucharist: Rite II 10:30 a.m.

Celebrant / Sermon The Rev. Stuart Clary Wood Organist Libby Boyer Gosp. Bk. Bearer / Prayers / Euch. Min. Jean Holt **Eucharistic Minister Grace Parker** Scout Troop 341 Lectors Crucifer / Acolyte Ann Padgett Ushers Dave South, Chris Jones, and Scouts Altar Guild Bev Hart, Evie Wilton, Kathy Clarke, Susan Hilliard, Helen Tarran, Pam McClelland Flower Guild Alyson Holt, and Harriette Floyd Tech Team Greg Grichtmeier, Ann de Peyster, Mike Floyd, Mike Gorin, Jeff Loustaunau, Robin Wells, & Jack Fackler

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#### Christ Church Parish Vestry

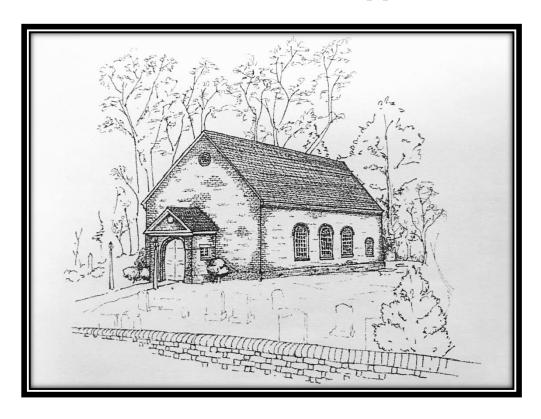
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Karen Brown "24

# Welcome to Christ Church Parish (Episcopal) February 12, 2023 10:30 a.m.

# The Sixth Sunday After The Epiphany



## Founded in 1666

Before the service, speak to God in the silence of your heart.

During the service, let God speak to you through

Word and Sacrament.

After the service, speak with your neighbor!

#### **Christ Church Parish Mission Statement**

We are a family of faith, growing in Christ through worship, learning, and service, who strive to love God and to love our neighbors as ourselves.