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SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Order of Worship –9:00 AM

AS WE GATHER – Throughout the season of Epiphany, we experience a sense of brightening. As we grow nearer to springtime, there is more daylight with each passing day. The world becomes brighter and brighter. As the weeks of this Epiphany season continue, we see our Lord Jesus more clearly, and we hear His words that speak to our hearts and lives. The well-loved hymn “Beautiful Savior” has the classic line “Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer Than all the angels in the sky” (LSB 537:3). God grant that brighter light shine forth in our lives as we reflect the wondrous light that is Christ, the Light of the world.

PRESERVICE MUSIC

“Beautiful Savior”

by Lani Smith

ECC CHILDREN SINGING

Jesus Loves Me, Jesus Loves the Little Children, Love, Love, Love, Love in a Box

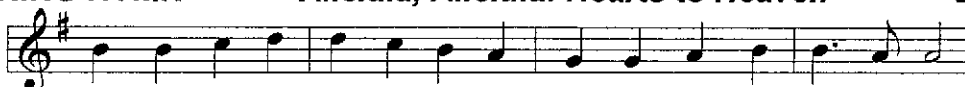
WELCOME

[♯Means please stand; ♯Means please be seated]

♯**OPENING HYMN**

Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven

LSB 477



1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heav'n and voic - es raise:
2 Al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris - en! Death at last has met de - feat:
△ 3 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high:



Sing to God a hymn of glad - ness, Sing to God a hymn of praise;
See the an - cient pow'rs of e - vil In con - fu - sion and re - treat;
Al - le - lu - ia to the Sav - ior Who has gained the vic - to - ry;



He who on the cross a vic - tim For the world's sal - va - tion bled—
Once He died, and once was bur - ied: Now He lives for - ev - er - more,
Al - le - lu - ia to the Spir - it, Fount of love and sanc - ti - ty!

(continued)



Je - sus Christ, the King of Glo - ry, Now is ris - en from the dead.
Je - sus Christ, the world's Re - deem - er, Whom we wor - ship and a - dore.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia To the tri - une Maj - es - ty!

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INVOCATION & OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 30:10; 43:3; Proverbs 4:18; Isaiah 2:5b

- P** *In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.*
- C** **Amen.**
- P** *Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me!*
- C** **O LORD, be my helper.**
- P** *Send out Your light and Your truth; let them lead me;*
- C** **let them bring me to Your holy hill and to Your dwelling!**
- P** *The path of the righteous is like the light of dawn,*
- C** **which shines brighter and brighter until full day. Come, let us walk in the light of the LORD.**

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

- P** *Let us now make confession of our sins. Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.*
- C** **Amen.**
- P** *Assured of God's great mercy, let us confess together that we, by our darkened, sinful nature, are estranged from God, and by our thoughts, words, and deeds have sinned and deserve His condemnation now and eternally.*
- C** **Almighty God, we repent of our sins in thought and in word and in deed. Although we deserve Your just punishment, we ask for Your unmerited blessing. Be merciful to us and for the sake of Jesus grant us Your forgiveness so that, as Your redeemed people, we may be made bright by Your presence in our lives, joyfully serving You in time and through eternity.**
- P** *In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.*
- C** **Amen.**

INTROIT

Psalm 119:1-2, 4-5; antiphon: v. 7

- P** *I will praise you with an upright heart,*
- C** **when I learn your just and righteous decrees.**
- P** *Blessèd are those whose way is blameless,*
- C** **who walk in the law of the LORD!**
- P** *Blessèd are those who keep his testimonies,*
- C** **who seek him with their whole heart.**
- P** *You have commanded your precepts*
- C** **to be kept diligently.**

(continued)

P *Oh that my ways may be steadfast*

C **in keeping your statutes!**

All: **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

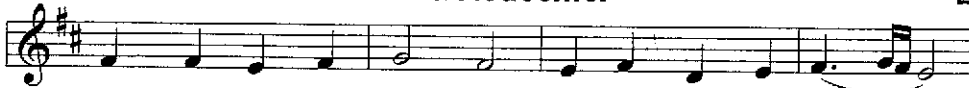
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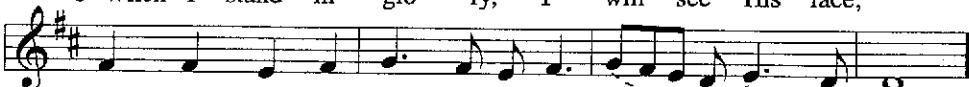
HYMN OF PRAISE

There Is a Redeemer

LSB 971



1 There is a Re - deem - er— Je - sus, God's own Son;
2 Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, Name a - bove all names;
3 When I stand in glo - ry, I will see His face;

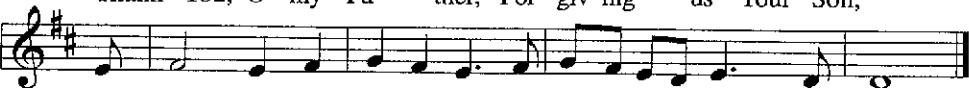


Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, Ho - ly One.
Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, Hope for sin - ners slain.
There I'll serve my King for - ev - er In that ho - ly place.

Refrain



Thank You, O my Fa - ther, For giv - ing us Your Son,



And leav - ing Your Spir - it Till the work on earth is done.

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SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

P *The Lord be with you.*

C **And also with you.**

P *Let us pray.*

All: **O Lord, You bless the poor, the hungry, the weeping, and the persecuted. Mercifully hear the prayers of Your people when they call upon You, and give us faith to believe Your kingdom belongs to the humble of heart; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who with You and the Holy Spirit are One God, world without end. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

Jeremiah 17:5–8

L *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 15:1-20

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA VERSE

Luke 6:23a

All: Alleluia. Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven.
Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 6:17-26

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY

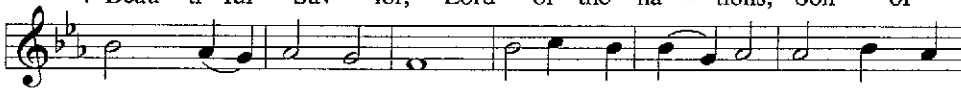
Beautiful Savior

LSB 537

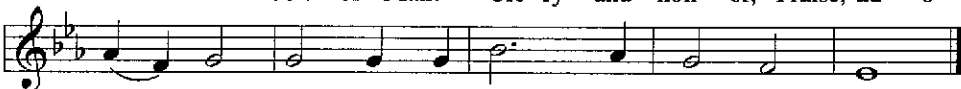
[v. 2: Choir only]



Choir: 1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion, Son of
2 Fair are the mead - ows, Fair are the wood - lands, Robed in
3 Fair is the sun - shine, Fair is the moon - light, Bright the
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions, Son of



God and Son of Man! Tru - ly I'd love Thee, Tru - ly I'd
flow'rs of bloom - ing spring; Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is
spar - kling stars on high; Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines
God and Son of Man! Glo - ry and hon - or, Praise, ad - o -



serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
pur - er, He makes our sor - r'wing spir - it sing.
pur - er Than all the an - gels in the sky.
ra - tion Now and for - ev - er - more be Thine!

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SERMON

"BLESSED OR CURSED?"

Jeremiah 17:5-8

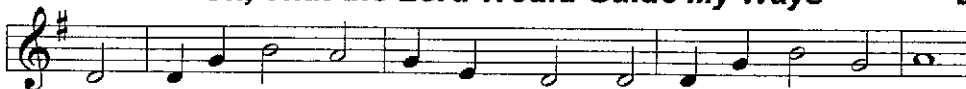
- I. Jeremiah outlines two paths: trusting in man leads to curses but trusting in God leads to blessings.
- II. Through faith, God draws us to trust in Him even in difficult times.

APOSTLE'S CREED

- C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING *"All Glory Be to God on High"* by Friedrich Wilhelm Zachau

OFFERTORY *Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways* **LSB 707**



- 1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways To keep His stat-utes still!
2 Or - der my foot-steps by Thy Word And make my heart sin-cere;
3 As - sist my soul, too apt to stray, A strict-er watch to keep;
4 Make me to walk in Thy com-mands—'Tis a de-light-ful road—



- Oh, that my God would grant me grace To know and do His will!
Let sin have no do - min-ion, Lord, But keep my con-science clear.
And should I e'er for - get Thy way, Re - store Thy wan-d'ring sheep.
Nor let my head or heart or hands Of - fend a-against my God.

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** *Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Celebrating the presence of the Lord in our midst, we pray for an increase of the Word, asking that God's messengers may continue to speak with power among us, bringing us the Good News of sins forgiven in Christ alone. Blessed Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer and grant our supplication.**
- P** *Plant us like trees by living waters, that we bear the fruit of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. By Your Spirit, direct our lives that we live as God's holy people. Blessed Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer and grant our supplication.**
- P** *Grant that Your blessing of peace be experienced throughout the world and that we as Your peaceable people shine brighter with the light of Your love. Blessed Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer and grant our supplication.**
- P** *In this time of prayer, we also make our petitions for the sick, the shut-in, and all who this day are in need of our intercession, [especially . . .], that their prayers may be soon answered, and that they may be supported by God's people with care in the name of Christ. Blessed Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer and grant our supplication.**

- P** Grant that we be numbered among the blessed who bring aid to the poor, food to the hungry, comfort to the sorrowing, and hope to the despairing. Blessed Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer and grant our supplication.
- P** With gratitude, we remember those sisters and brothers in Christ whose earthly journeys are finished and who now enjoy the promised Sabbath rest. Grant that we be guided in ways that honor their earthly lives as we anticipate the heavenly life that is to come. Blessed Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer and grant our supplication.
- P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C** Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

- P** O Lord Jesus Christ, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- C** 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.

BENEDICTION

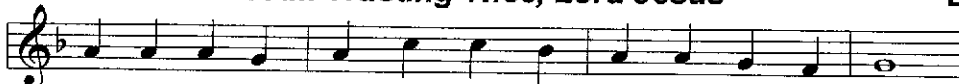
Numbers 6:24-26

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you His peace.
- C** Amen.

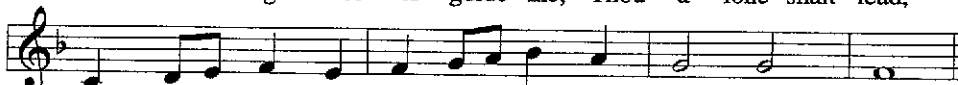
CLOSING HYMN

I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus

LSB 729



- 1 I am trust-ing Thee, Lord Je - sus, Trust - ing on - ly Thee;
 2 I am trust-ing Thee for par - don; At Thy feet I bow,
 3 I am trust-ing Thee for cleans - ing In the crim - son flood;
 4 I am trust-ing Thee to guide me; Thou a - lone shalt lead,



- Trust - ing Thee for full sal - va - tion, Great and free.
 For Thy grace and ten - der mer - cy Trust - ing now.
 Trust - ing Thee to make me ho - ly By Thy blood.
 Ev - 'ry day and hour sup - ply - ing All my need.

5. I am trusting Thee for power;
 Thine can never fail.
 Words which Thou Thyself shalt give me
 Must prevail.
6. I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus;
 Never let me fail.
 I am trusting Thee forever
 And for all.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

“Immortal, Invisible, God only Wise” by John A. Behnke

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WE WISH TO THANK the following for their participation in our worship service this morning:

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Altar Guild Marilyn Kettner & Beth Tevah
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Elder on Duty Doug Harder
Greeter Kristen Hatton
Lay Reader..... Beth Tevah
Organist / Music Director Beth Buss
Special Music: E.C.C. Children; Christ Choristers; Beth Buss, Director
Service Web Recorder..... Robert Showalter
Service Live Streaming Donna Eaton
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