

Blessed are you when men hate you, and ostracize you, and insult you, and scorn your name as evil, for the sake of the Son of Man. **Be glad in that day** and leap for joy, for behold, your reward in heaven is great.
Luke 6:22-23

Sunday, February 1, 2026
The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Service Theme
JESUS CALLS YOU BLESSED

You may not feel valued and blessed when facing hardship for Christ's sake, but Jesus says you are. He chose you to reflect His saving love to the world - promising to graciously reward you as live to His glory instead of your own.



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Order of Service

(Baptismal Gathering Rite & Service of Word and Sacrament)

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: (spoken) Amen.



I claim a place, though weak and low - ly, A - mong your



saints, your cho - sen host,

Bur - ied with Christ and dead to



sin. Your Spir - it now shall live with - in.

M: I tell you the truth, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit.

C: Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. *(John 3:5,6)*

M: Surely we were sinful at birth, sinful from the time our mothers conceived us. *(Psalm 51:5)*

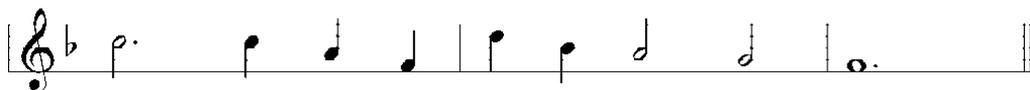
C: But we were washed, we were sanctified, we were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God. *(1 Corinthians 6:11)*



My lov - ing Fa - ther, there you took me To be hence -
 My faith - ful Sav - ior, there you let me The fruit of



forth your child and heir,
 all your sor - rows share. O Ho - ly Spir - it, com - fort



me When threat - 'ning clouds a - round I see.

M: As baptized children of God, we confess our sins.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.



My faith - ful God, you fail me nev - er; Your pro - mise
 Oh, cast me not a - way for - ev - er If words and



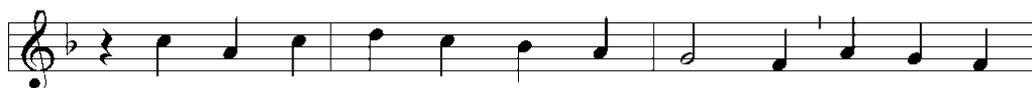
sure - ly will en - dure.
 deeds be - come im - pure. Have mer - cy when I come de -



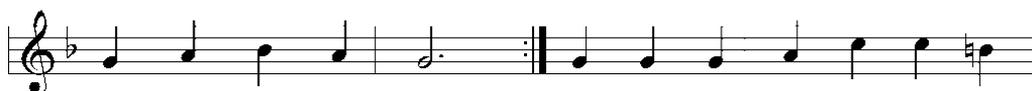
filed; For - give, lift up, re - store your child.

M: Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless (*Ephesians 5:25-27*). Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: (spoken) Amen.



All that I am and love most dear - ly— Re - ceive it
Let me con - fess my faith sin - cere - ly, And help me



all, O Lord, from me.
your own child to be! Let noth - ing that I am or



own Serve an - y will but yours a - lone.

The Baptism of Benjamin George Love Bailly

In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Our Savior Jesus Christ commanded Baptism when he said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Scripture makes plain the need for Baptism. As children of Adam, we belong to a fallen race. From our parents we inherit a sinful nature, and we would be lost forever unless delivered by our Lord Jesus Christ. He willingly took on himself the curse of sin, and by his death on the cross he redeemed us and all people. It is the Father's will that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and he will raise them up at the Last Day.

Christ's almighty Word gives Baptism its power to save. Jesus promises in the last chapter of Mark, "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved." The apostle Peter declares, "Baptism now saves you." Scripture also teaches that the power and promise of Baptism are intended for young and old alike. On the day of Pentecost, the apostle testified, "The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call." By water and the Spirit, we are born again and are united with Christ and his people as members of the Church.

Let us pray.

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father, through your stern judgment, the unbelieving world was destroyed by the flood, but according to your great mercy, you saved Noah and his family. You engulfed stubborn Pharaoh and his army in the waters of the Red Sea but led your people through those same waters to safety on dry land. In the waters of the Jordan, your own Son was baptized and anointed with the Spirit. By these signs you foreshadowed the washing that you give us in Holy Baptism.

Holding firmly to your command and promise, we ask that you would look with favor on *Benjamin*. Through this water of Baptism, drown in *him* all sin inherited from Adam and any other evil *he* may do. Set *him* apart from the unbelieving world, and hold *him* safe and secure in the holy ark of the Church. Keep *him* always fervent in spirit and joyful in hope so that *he* may honor your holy name and at last receive, together with all your people, the promised inheritance of eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

For the baptism of adults

Do you believe that you were born in sin and therefore eternally lost?

Yes, I believe.

Do you believe that the triune God—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—planned and carried out your salvation?

Yes, I believe.

Do you believe that God grants you the forgiveness of sins in Holy Baptism?

Yes, I believe.

Do you reject the devil along with all his lies and empty promises?

Yes, I do.

Do you desire to be baptized into the Christian faith?

Yes, I do.

Receive the sign of the cross on the head and heart to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified.

Benjamin George Love Bailly, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ has given you the new birth of water and the Spirit and has forgiven all your sins. May he strengthen you with his grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

Let us pray.

Merciful Father in heaven, we thank you for the gift of Baptism by which you wash away sin and give us a new and eternal life. Help us each day to remember that through Baptism you clothe us with Christ, that we may stand holy and righteous before you. Look with favor on *Benjamin*, that *he* may be kept safe by the gift of your Spirit, grow daily in your grace, and live forever by the power of the risen Christ. Make us willing to carry out our responsibilities to all the baptized so that all may finally come to the blessed joys of heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord T Jesus Christ, strengthen you by his Spirit, that Christ, dwelling in your hearts by faith, may fill you with all spiritual blessings. Go in peace.

568 His Robes for Mine CW 568 sts. 1, Ref, 3



1 His robes for mine: O won - der - ful ex - change!
 3 His robes for mine: God's jus - tice is ap - peased.



Clothed in my sin, Christ suf - fered 'neath God's rage.
 Je - sus is crushed, and thus the Fa - ther's pleased.



Draped in his right - eous - ness, I'm jus - ti - fied.
 Christ drank God's wrath on sin, then cried, "'Tis done!"



In Christ I live, for in my place he died.
 Sin's wage is paid, pro - pi - ti - a - tion won.

Refrain



I cling to Christ, and mar - vel at the cost:



Je - sus for - sak - en, God es - tranged from God.



Bought by such love, my life is not my own.



My praise— my all— shall be for Christ a - lone.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, look with mercy on our weaknesses, and in all our dangers and needs stretch out the right hand of your majesty to help and defend us; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



First Reading

Psalm 1

True blessedness is only found in the LORD through His Word.

¹How blessed is the man

who does not walk in the advice of the wicked,
who does not stand on the path with sinners,
and who does not sit in a meeting with mockers.

²But his delight is in the teaching of the LORD,
and on his teaching he meditates day and night.

³He is like a tree planted beside streams of water,
which yields its fruit in season,
and its leaves do not wither.

Everything he does prospers.

⁴Not so the wicked!

No, they are like the chaff which the wind blows away.

⁵Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.

⁶Yes, the LORD approves of the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish.

Verse of the Day

John 20:31



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:26–31

God chose to bless us with faith in Him, not because of who we are, but for His mercy's sake.

²⁶For example, consider your call, brothers. Not many of you were wise from a human point of view, not many were powerful, and not many were born with high status. ²⁷But God chose the foolish things of the world to put to shame those who are wise. God chose the weak things of the world to put to shame the things that are strong, ²⁸and God chose the lowly things of the world and the despised things, and the things that are not, to do away with the things that are, ²⁹so that no one may boast before God. ³⁰But because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us the wisdom from God, namely, our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. ³¹God did this so that, just as it is written, “Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord.”

690 Blest Are They

CW 690



1 Blest are they, the poor in spir - it, theirs is the
2 Blest are they, the low - ly ones, — they shall in -
3 Blest are they — who show mer - cy, mer - cy
4 Blest are they — who seek peace, — they are the
5 Blest are you who suf - fer hate — all — be -



king - dom of God. Blest — are they, —
her - it the earth. Blest — are they who
shall — be theirs. Blest — are they, the
chil - dren of God. Blest — are they who
cause — of me. Re - jice and be glad, —



full — of sor - row, they — shall be con - soled.
hun - ger and thirst, — they — shall have their fill.
pure — of heart, — they — shall see God!
suf - fer in faith, — the glo - ry of God is theirs.
yours is the king - dom; — shine — for all to see.

Refrain



Re - jice and be glad! Bless - ed are



you, ho - ly are you! Re - jice and be glad!



Yours is the king - dom of God!

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²⁰He lifted up his eyes to his disciples and said:

Blessed are you who are poor,
because yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹Blessed are you who hunger now,
because you will be satisfied.

Blessed are you who weep now,
because you will laugh.

²²Blessed are you whenever people hate you,
and whenever they exclude and insult you
and reject your name as evil because of the Son of Man.

²³Rejoice in that day and leap for joy because of this:
Your reward is great in heaven!

The fact is, their fathers constantly did the same things to
the prophets.

²⁴But woe to you who are rich,
because you are receiving your comfort now.

²⁵Woe to you who are well fed now,
because you will be hungry.

Woe to you who laugh now,
because you will be mourning and weeping.

²⁶Woe to you when all people speak well of you,
because that is how their fathers constantly treated the
false prophets.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Jesus' Disciples are:

- 1) Spiritually poor, yet very rich (vv. 20, 24)
- 2) Spiritually hungry, yet very satisfied (vv. 21, 25)
- 3) Weeping spiritually, yet full of laughter (vv. 21, 25)
- 4) Persecuted, yet greatly rewarded (vv. 22, 23, 26)

Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from
true God,
begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from
heaven,**

**was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin
Mary, and became fully human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with
the Scriptures.**

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the
dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,**

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son is
worshiped and glorified,**

who has spoken through the prophets.

**We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic
Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of
sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Offertory Prayer

Prayer of the Church

Gracious God and Father, we praise you for the countless blessings, which we receive from your hand: the beauties of creation and the bounties of the earth, the joy of life and the pleasure of friendship, the good of work and the gift of rest, the privilege to share happiness and sorrow with one another. Above all we praise and thank you for your saving Word and for your Son's body and blood, which you give us to eat and to drink in the sacrament. Through these means of grace, you send the Holy Spirit into our hearts and unite us to Jesus and to the whole Christian Church on earth.

Strengthen us through this heavenly food; increase our trust in Christ and our love for one another.

Great God and Lord, without your continuing help we easily waver in our faith, lose courage, and grow careless in our watchfulness. The times and days are perilous. Give us strength to face the evils of each day with fresh confidence. Open our lips to speak of your grace, and move us to use the gifts that you give us to share your Word of salvation with all people. Protect and prosper the family, the school, the government, and all good institutions that you have established for the benefit of society. Remember in mercy those who are sick and suffering, and bring your healing to troubled homes and lives.

Move us to pray for those in need and to help them with deeds of kindness.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

Now, eternal God and Father, keep us in the saving faith and so enable us to overcome all things through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

The Sacrament

The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts.



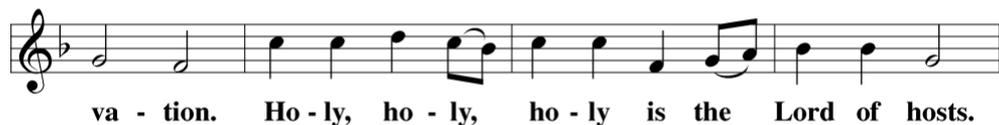
C: We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. *In the past he spoke to us through the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, who is the radiance of his glory.* Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:



Thanksgiving



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-news his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

(Sing) Amen

Blessing

Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

(Sing) Amen. Amen. Amen.

867 Afflicted Saint, to Christ Draw Near CW 867 sts. 1-2, Ref, 3-4



1 Af - flict - ed saint, to Christ draw near, your Sav - ior's
 2 Your faith is weak, your foes are strong, and if the
 3 Should per - se - cu - tion rage and flame, still trust in
 4 When called to bear your weight - y cross, or sore af -



gra - cious prom - ise hear; his faith - ful Word you can be -
 con - flict should be long, the Lord will make the tempt - er
 your Re - deem - er's name. In fi - ery tri - als you shall
 flic - tion, pain, or loss, or deep dis - tress, or pov - er -



lieve, that as your days your strength shall be. v. 2
 flee, that as your days your strength shall be. Refrain
 see that as your days your strength shall be. Refrain
 ty, still as your days your strength shall be. Refrain

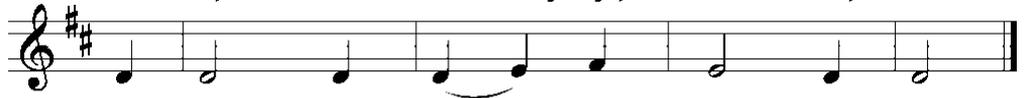
Refrain



So, sing with joy, af - flict - ed one; the bat - tle's fierce, but the



vic - t'ry's won! God shall sup - ply all that you need;



yes, as your days your strength shall be.

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Announcements

Easter for Kids Volunteer Request

We are hoping to host an Easter for Kids on March 21 from 1:30pm - 4:30pm. If you would be willing to help out for this event, contact Rebecca Hill at (613) 404-6874 or rschroeder@rogers.com.

Lent by Candlelight

Planned for March 7 @ 2:00 pm. This is a wonderful event for women to reflect on the wonderful hope we have in Christ in spite of the darkness of the world all around us. Mark your calendars and invite your friends. If you would like to be involved in this event in any way, please talk to Laura.

Church Cleaners

February 8 – Luke / February 15 – Timothy

DIVINE WORD'S TWO-WEEK CALENDAR

- Su (1)** 9:00 am **Sunday School / Bible Study**
10:30 am ***Worship with Communion***
11:45 am First Fellowship
3:00 pm **Worship in Poltimore**
4:00 pm Bible Class in Poltimore
- We (4) 10:30 am Communicating Christ
7:00 pm Communicating Christ
- Th (5) 10:30 am Devotion at Longfield Manor
- Su (8)** 9:00 am **Sunday School / Bible Study**
10:30 am **Worship**
11:45 am Coffee Hour
4:30 pm Installation of Pastor Pagel (Toronto)
- Tu (10) 7:00 pm Elders Meeting
- We (11) 10:30 am Communicating Christ
5:30 pm Online Youth Bible Study
7:00 pm Communicating Christ
- Fr (13) 3:00 pm Women's Bible Study
6:00 pm Friday Fellowship
- Su (16)** 9:00 am **Sunday School / Bible Study**
10:30 am ***Worship with Communion***
11:45 am Sweetheart Spaghetti Lunch
3:00 pm **Worship in Poltimore**
4:00 pm Bible Class in Poltimore