



The Sixth Sunday after Epiphany
Sung Mass + 10:30 am
St. Martin's Episcopal Church, Bridgewater, NJ

Please stand

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Blue Hymnal, 657

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling". It consists of three staves of music, all in G major and 12/8 time. The first staff is for Soprano (Soprano) and begins with the lyrics "Glo-ry to God in the high-est Glo-ry to". The second staff is for Soprano (S) and begins with the lyrics "God, in the high-est, Glo-ry to God, in the". The third staff is also for Soprano (S) and begins with the lyrics "high-est And peace on earth to all." The music is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#).

The Lord be with you. *And also with you.* Let us pray.

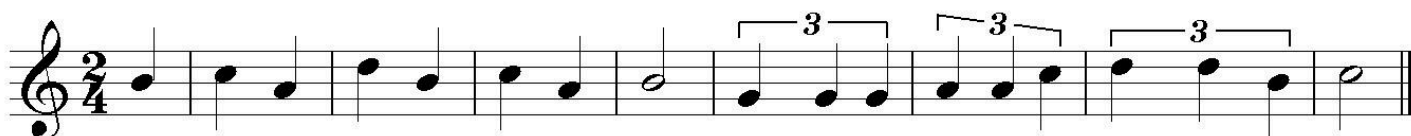
O Lord, you have taught us that without love whatever we do is worth nothing: Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts your greatest gift, which is love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue, without which whoever lives is accounted dead before you. Grant this for the sake of your only Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

A Reading from Genesis

(Please be seated)

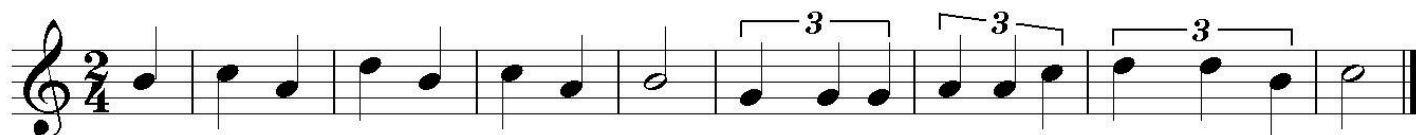
Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there--since there are five more years of famine to come--so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.'" And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him. The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God*

Psalm 37: 1-12; 41-42



The low-ly shall po - sess the land; they will de-light in a - bun-dance of peace.

- 1 Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; *
do not be jealous of those who do wrong.
- 2 For they shall soon wither like the grass, *
and like the green grass fade away.
- 3 Put your trust in the LORD and do good; *
dwell in the land and feed on its riches.
- 4 Take delight in the LORD, *
and he shall give you your heart's desire. **Antiphon**



The low-ly shall po - sess the land; they will de-light in a - bun-dance of peace.

5 Commit your way to the LORD and put your trust in him, *
and he will bring it to pass.

6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the light *
and your just dealing as the noonday.

7 Be still before the LORD *
and wait patiently for him.

8 Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, *
the one who succeeds in evil schemes. **Antiphon**

9 Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; *
do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.

10 For evildoers shall be cut off, *
but those who wait upon the LORD shall possess the land.

11 In a little while the wicked shall be no more; *
you shall search out their place, but they will not be there.

12 But the lowly shall possess the land; *
they will delight in abundance of peace.

41 But the deliverance of the righteous comes from the LORD; *
he is their stronghold in time of trouble.

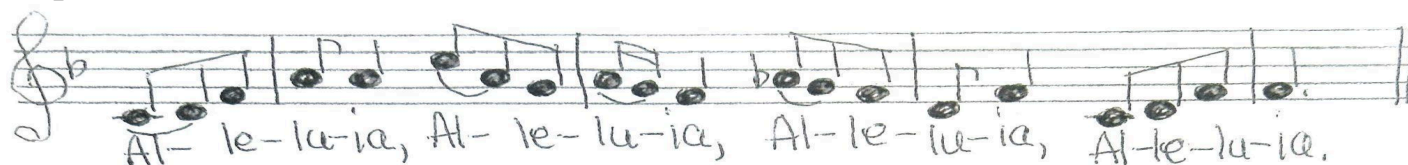
42 The LORD will help them and rescue them; *
he will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them,
because they seek refuge in him. **Antiphon**

A Reading from the Epistle to the 1 Corinthians

Someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven. What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Gospel Acclamation

K. Shanklin



V: *I give you a new commandment, says the Lord: Love one another as I have loved you.*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Jesus said, I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back. The Gospel of the Lord.

**The Homily
 The Nicene Creed
 The Prayers of the People
 Confession of Sin and Absolution
 The Peace and Announcements**

**BCP, 358
 BCP, 387
 BCP, 360**

Please stand to sing


Offertory Hymn *Lift Every Voice and Sing!*

Blue Hymnal, 599

Liturgy of the Altar


Priest: Redeeming God, in Christ there has sprung up a light for the righteous; accept the gifts we bring before you and grant that Christ may shine in us to the praise and glory of your name. Amen.

Celebrant *People*




The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*




Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, —

— hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - -

ry. — Ho - san - na in — the high-est.

Blessed is the one

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na in — the high-est. —

The Eucharistic Prayer continues in the *Book of Common Prayer*, page 368
The Lord's Prayer *BCP*, 364
The Fraction and Lamb of God

Lamb of God _____ you take a-way the sins of the world:
 have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God _____ you take a-way the sins of the world:
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 have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God _____ you take a-way the sins of the world:
 grant us peace.

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.
 Happy are they who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.

The Holy Communion

*All are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
 You may kneel or stand, you may receive the bread and the wine, or simply the bread.
 If you prefer a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.*

Communion Hymns

*Gracious Spirit Holy Ghost
 Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love*

*Blue Hymnal, 612
 Blue Hymnal, 602*

**Post Communion Prayer (Please kneel or stand)
 Blessing and Dismissal**

BCP, 365

Hymn: Before the Lord's Eternal Throne vv 1,2,5

Blue Hymnal, 391

Serving Today

Thurifer: Fausto Beleno Crucifer: Alex Kellam Lector: Carl Picazio
Eucharistic Minister: Kathy Picazio Usher: Todd Hendrickson
Choir: Beth Hixenbaugh, Alison Jandak, Jane Maloney, Rob Vernon
Organist: Kathy Shanklin Celebrant: Father Rob Laws +

UPCOMING EVENTS

Ash Wednesday March 05

Sung Mass with Imposition of Ashes 7 pm

Lenten Study: Mondays in Lent at 7 pm at Juanita Hawkin's home.

We will be reading *Giving Up Worry for Lent*, by Gary Zimak.

The book may be purchased on Amazon.

Confirmation and Reception as a Member of the Episcopal Church

A Regional Service of Confirmation will be hosted by St Martin's on Sunday, September 23 at 3 pm. Last fall a class started for youth and adults interested in being Confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church. A new class will begin this Spring for others who would like to be confirmed or received on September 23.

Confirmation is the Sacrament which completes one's initiation into the Church, as one makes an adult profession of faith in Jesus Christ. It is an unrepeatable Sacrament, as Baptism is, so if you were Confirmed in a church with apostolic succession (such as the Roman Catholic Church or the Eastern Orthodox Church) you do not need to be "re-confirmed." However, if you would like to officially become a member of the Episcopal Church, you may be received as a member by the laying of hands by the bishop.

Please see Father Rob if you have any questions or if you would like to participate in the Spring Class.