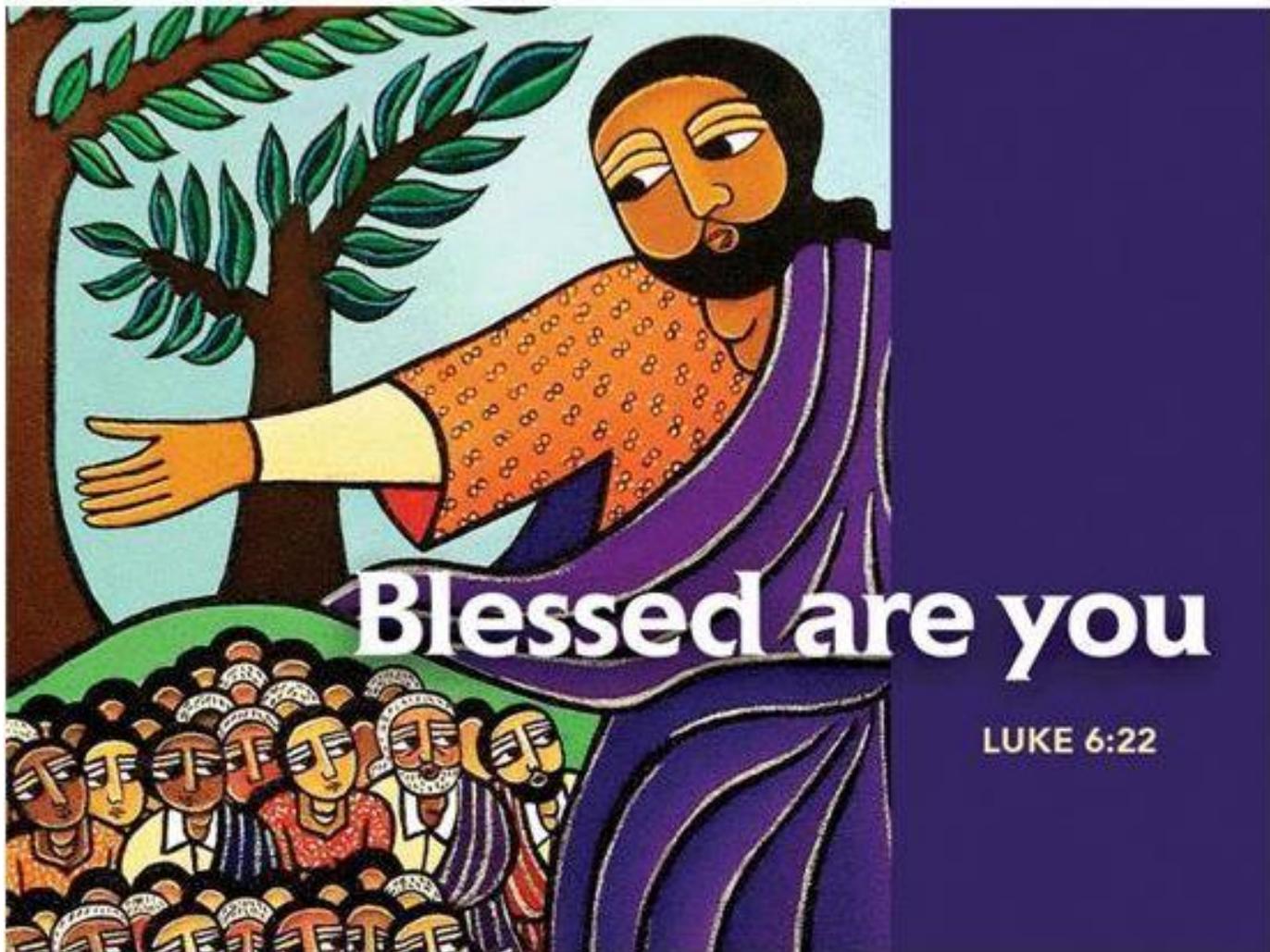


February 13, 2022

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany / Lectionary 6

Campus Ministry Sunday – Guest Preacher Abby Mohlis



Introduction to the day

Blessings and curses abound on the sixth Sunday after Epiphany. We would do well to listen closely to whom the “blessed are” and the “woe to” are directed and to find our place in the crowd among those who desire to touch Jesus. The risen Christ stands among us in the mystery of the holy supper with an invitation to live in him, and offers power to heal us all.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Living God, in Christ you make all things new. Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 17:5-10

A reading from Jeremiah.

⁵Thus says the LORD:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength,
whose hearts turn away from the LORD.

⁶They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes.
They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

⁷Blessed are those who trust in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD.

⁸They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream.
It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green;
in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.

⁹The heart is devious above all else;
it is perverse—who can understand it?

¹⁰I the LORD test the mind and search the heart,
to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 1

¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

²**Their delight is in the law of the LORD,
and they meditate on God's teaching day and night.**

³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that
do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.

⁴**It is not so with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**

⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes,
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

⁶**For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

A reading from 1 Corinthians.

¹²Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no
resurrection of the dead? ¹³If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been
raised; ¹⁴and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith
has been in vain. ¹⁵We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God
that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. ¹⁶For if the
dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. ¹⁷If Christ has not been raised, your faith is
futile and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. ¹⁹If
for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL: Luke 6:17-26

The holy gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹⁷[Jesus] came down with [the twelve] and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. ¹⁸They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. ¹⁹And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

²⁰Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

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

²¹“Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

²²“Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

²⁴“But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

²⁵“Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

“Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

²⁶“Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.”

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made. *A brief silence.*

Blessed are those whose trust is in you. Strengthen the faith of those who profess your name and bring reassurance to those who doubt or fear. Through your church speak continued blessing into the world. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Those who trust in you are like trees planted by streams of water. Bless fruit trees with an abundant harvest. Protect rainforests from destruction. Restore land that has eroded after deforestation. Resurrect woodlands after forest fires. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Search the hearts of those who govern, that they lead with humility. Inspire leaders to collaborate on policies that protect people and the planet. Sustain truth-tellers and social movements that challenge society to become more honest and just. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Send your blessings of mercy upon those who long for consolation. Tend to those struggling with poverty, unemployment, or uncertainty. Provide for all who are hungry. Console those who face persecution. Grant peace to all who suffer (*especially*). God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Renew this congregation in our shared mission. As we plan and dream for the future you are preparing, inspire us by the examples of Martin Luther and all the reformers. Bless new projects and new ministry partnerships. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

We give thanks O God for those who find their vocations on college campuses, for students, teachers, researchers, staff, librarians, administrators, and campus ministers. We pray that their work might move us all into a more just and faithful world. We pray especially for Lutheran Campus Ministry at CU Boulder, St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, and Bread and Belonging. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Christ is raised from the dead, and so we cling to the hope of the resurrection. We praise you for the lives of the saints who lived and died in the hope of eternal life with you (*especially*). God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tuesday – 10am Ruth Circle

- 6:30pm Men's Bible Study Zoom

Wednesday – 10am Morning Prayer FB Live

- 6:30pm Board Meeting

Thursday – 6:30pm Women's Bible Study Zoom

Check back table for devotionals, newsletters, annual report, and more

Lutheran Campus Ministry has been working on the campus of the University of Colorado in



Boulder since 1945. These days our work is done through Bread and Belonging, a joint program with St Aidan's Episcopal Church. Each Tuesday nights students gather for a home-cooked meal and conversation where we seek to create a space of belongedness that empowers students to take the positive risks that make the work of God happen in the world. Lutheran Campus Ministry at CU Boulder is guided by a board of directors whose members come from the congregations of the Boulder/Broomfield Conference. Your director is Shelby Headrick. Ask Shelby how you can become more involved in our work! To learn more go to www.lutheranbuffs.org