

THE DIVINE SERVICE

February 16, 2020

The Sixth Sunday After the Epiphany

In Preparation

Please observe silence as you read, pray, and meditate.

PRELUDE

Michael Phillips

Fantasia of Four Parts – Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

WORDS OF PREPARATION

Matthew 5:21-37

“You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.’ But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, ‘You fool!’ will be liable to the hell of fire. So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison. Truly, I say to 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 lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body 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 everyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of sexual immorality, makes her commit adultery, and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

“Again you have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not swear falsely, but shall perform to the Lord what you have sworn.’ But I say to you, Do not take an oath 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 take an oath by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let what you say be simply ‘Yes’ or ‘No’; anything more than this comes from evil.”

COLLECT OF THE DAY

O Lord, keep your family and Church continually in the true faith that they who lean on the hope of your heavenly grace may ever be defended by your mighty power; through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Service of Entrance



CHORAL INTROIT

All That Hath Life and Breath – Rene Clausen (1953-)

All that hath life and breath praise ye the Lord, shout to the Lord, alleluia!
Alleluia, praise him, laud him, alleluia!

❖ HYMN OF INVOCATION

Psalm 100, William Kethe, 1561

L. Bourgeois' *Genevan Psalter*, 1551



1. All peo - ple that on earth do dwell,
2. *The Lord ye know is God in - deed;*
3. O en - ter then his gates with praise,
4. *For why? The Lord our God is good,*
5. To Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,



sing to the Lord with cheer - ful voice;
with - out our aid he did us make;
ap - proach with joy his courts un - to;
his mer - cy is for - ev - er sure;
the God whom heav'n and earth a - dore,



him serve with fear, his praise forth - tell,
we are his folk, he doth us feed,
praise, laud, and bless his name al - ways,
his truth at all times firm - ly stood,
from men and from the an - gel host



come ye be - fore him and re - joice.
and for his sheep he doth us take.
for it is seem - ly so to do.
and shall from age to age en - dure.
be praise and glo - ry ev - er - more.

Minister: Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness, and tremble before him all the earth.

People: **Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice for the Lord is coming to judge the earth.**

Minister: In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

Minister: Let us pray.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

... world without end. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Liber Usualis

Thomas Tallis

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.
us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Minister: Hear what our Lord says, “You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself a carved image. You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain. Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Honor your father and your mother. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet.”

Minister: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

People: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto thee, that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against thee by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to thine infinite mercy, seeking and imploring thy grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

DECLARATION OF ABSOLUTION

Minister: Hear the Word of the Gospel: “Christ has died for our sins and been raised for our justification.” All you who repent of your sin and trust in the Lord Jesus Christ for your salvation, rejoice and be glad and give glory to the Lord who has taken away all of your sins in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

- ❖ Minister: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
People: the Maker of heaven and earth.
- Minister: O Lord, open our lips,
People: and our mouth will declare your praise.

❖ THE GLORIA

Gloria in excelsis

Nikolaus Decius

Glo - ry be to God on high! And on earth peace, good will t'ward men. We praise thee,
we bless thee, we wor - ship thee, we glo - ri - fy thee, we give thanks to thee
for thy great glo - ry, O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - might - y.

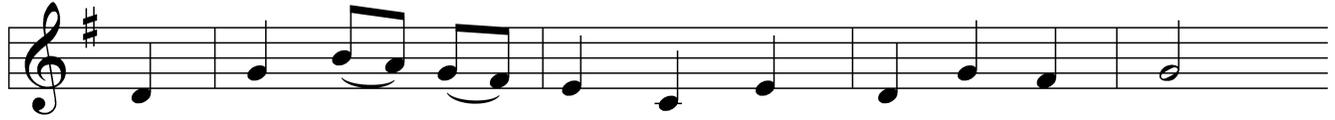
❖ HYMN OF GRATITUDE

Katherine K. Davis, 1939

Traditional Welsh melody



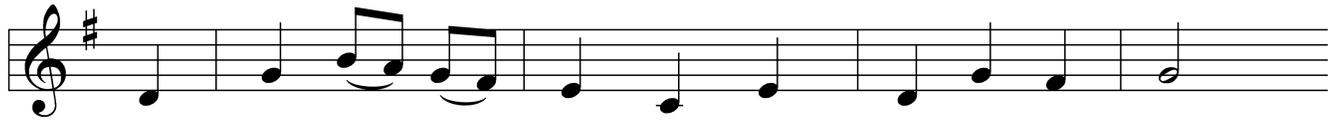
1. Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing
 2. His law he en - forc - es: the stars in their cours - es,



to the God the Cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,
 the sun in its or - bit, o - be - dient - ly shine;



who fash - ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us,
 the hills and the moun - tains, the ri - vers and foun - tains,



who guides us and leads to the end of our days.
 the deeps of the o - cean pro - claim him di - vine.



His ban - ners are o'er us, his light goes be - fore us,
 We too should be voic - ing our love and re - joic - ing,



a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night,
 with glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise,



till shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is ban - ished,
 till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing



as for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
 to God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!

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The Service of the Word



❖ THE PSALTER

Psalm 119:1-8

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

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

CHORAL ANTHEM

Psalm 98

Cantate Domino canticum novum – Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612)

Cantate Domino canticum novum, omnis terra. **Sing to the Lord a new song, all the earth.**
Sing to Lord a song new, all the earth.

Cantate Domino, et benedicite nomini eius; **Sing to the Lord, and bless his name.**
Sing to Lord, and bless name his;

Annuntiate de di in diem salutare eius. **Proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.**
Announce from day to day salvation his.

Annuntiate inter gentes gloriam eius, **Declare his glory among the nations**
Announce among nations glory his,

In omnibus populis mirabilia eius. **and his wonders among the peoples.**
To all peoples wonders his.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

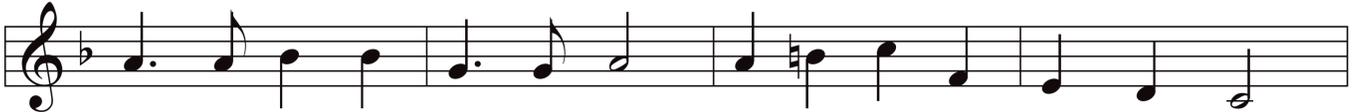
❖ OUR RESPONSE

George J. Elvey, 1816-1893

Henry Alford, 1810-1871



1. Come, ye thank - ful peo - ple, come; raise the song of har - vest home.
 2. All the world is God's own field, fruit un - to his praise to yield;
 3. For the Lord, our God, shall come and shall take his har - vest home,
 4. E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come to thy fi - nal har - vest home;



All be safe - ly gath - ered in ere the win - ter storms be - gin;
 wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown.
 from his field shall in that day all of - fen - ses purge a - way,
 gath - er thou thy peo - ple in, free from sor row, free from sin,



God, our mak - er, doth pro - vide for our wants to be sup - plied.
 First the blade and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap - pear.
 give his an - gels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,
 there, for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, in thy gar - ner to a - bide:



Come to God's own tem - ple come; raise the song of har - vest home.
 Lord of har - vest, grant that we whole - some grain and pure may be.
 but the fruit - ful ears to store in his gar - ner ev - er - more.
 come with all thine an - gels, come, raise the glo - rious har - vest home.

WELCOME

At this time, please sign and pass the attendance pads down the row.

MINISTRY UPDATE

40 Days for Life, Ben Walton

INTERLUDE

PRAYER OF SUPPLICATION AND THANKSGIVING

Ruling Elder Bret Mercer

Unison: 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

❖ **THE GOSPEL LESSON**

John 10:1-21

Minister: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to you, O Christ.

❖ **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

MORNING SERMON

Rev. Eric Landry

I Am the Good Shepherd
John 10:1-21

The Service of the Table



❖ CORPORATE CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

Unison: 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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

❖ Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you!

Minister: Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Members of the congregation greet one another with a sign of friendship such as the ancient words that the church has used over the centuries, "The peace of Christ be with you," and the response, "And also with you."

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Minister: The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof;

People: **the world, and they that dwell therein.**

Tithes and Offerings

The Old Testament Israelites always came to worship God with a sacrifice in hand. We also come to God with a sacrifice—ourselves! The Apostle Paul reminds us in Romans 12:1 that we are “living sacrifices” and that our entire lives are given to God in obedience and praise. Part of that giving action is returning to God a portion of the material wealth with which he has blessed us. Each week, we take up an offering that is used to support the ministry of the church. We continue to use the term, “tithe,” because the example set for us in the Old Testament of Israel giving 10% of their income is a good one to strive after. In study after study, American Christians—some of the most generous people on the planet—are shown to only give between 2% and 4% of their income to the church. What might happen in our churches if we gave 10%? How many missionaries could we support? How much mercy ministry could we provide? How might our own hearts be changed as we create a need in our lives for God to meet, as we acknowledge the power that money often exerts over us, as we participate in the work of the kingdom of God?

HYMN OF GRATITUDE TO GOD

The Psalms of David in Metre, 1650

Jessie Seymour Irvine, 1871



1. The Lord's my shep - herd, I'll not want;
 2. My soul he doth re - store a - gain;
 3. Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
 4. My ta - ble thou has fur - nish - ed
 5. Good - ness and mer - cy all my life



he makes me down to lie in pas - tures green;
and me to walk doth make with - in the paths
 yet will I fear no ill, for thou art with
in pres - ence of my foes; my head thou dost
 shall sure - ly fol - low me: and in God's house



he lead - eth me the qui - et wa - ters by.
of righ - teous - ness, e'en for his own name's sake.
 me; and thy rod and staff me com - fort still.
with oil a - noint, and my cup o - ver - flows.
 for - ev - er - more my dwell - ing place shall be.

- ❖ Minister: Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendor, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

DOXOLOGY

L. Bourgeois' *Genevan Psalter*, 1551

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures here be - low;
 praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

❖ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Minister: Our gracious God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, giver of all good gifts, receive these offerings as our worship properly given to you for the glory due your name. Use them to strengthen your church, expand your kingdom, and show mercy to our neighbors. In the name of your Son we pray.

People: **Amen.**

❖ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Minister: The Lord be with you!

People: **And also with you!**

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

People: **We lift them up to the Lord!**

Minister: Let us give thanks to our Lord God!

People: **It is good and right to do so!**

Minister: It is very good and right that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, O Holy Lord, Father Almighty, Everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. And now we do praise you who sent your only begotten Son, and that in him, being found in fashion as a man, you did reveal the fullness of your glory. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and singing:

SANCTUS

11th cent. Plainsong, Steinau, 1726

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - - - ly, Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
 heav'n and earth are full of thy glo - ry; Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he that com - eth in the Name of the Lord; Ho - san - na in the high - est.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD – The Bread

The Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." (1 Cor. 11:23-24)

Johann Heermann, 1630

Johann Crüger, 1640



1. Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed,
2. *Who was the guilt - y who brought this up - on thee?*
3. Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered;
4. *For me, kind Je - sus, was thine in - car - na - tion,*
5. There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee,



that man to judge thee hath in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de -
A - las, my trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord
the slave hath sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered: for man's a -
thy mor - tal sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion: thy death of
I do a - dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee, think on thy



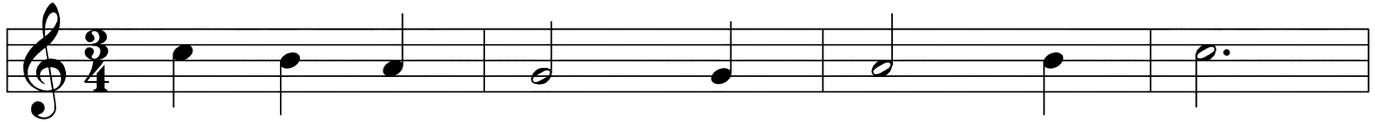
rid - ed, by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.
Je - sus, I it was de - nied thee: I cru - ci - fied thee.
tone - ment, while he noth - ing heed - eth, God in - ter - ced - eth.
an - guish and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.
pit - y and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD – The Cup

In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” (1 Cor. 11:25)

Symphonia Sirenum, Köln, 1695

Melchior Vulpius, 1609



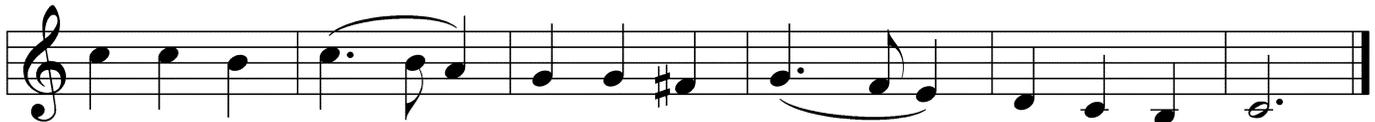
1. The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done;
 2. *The pow'rs of death have done their worst,*
 3. The three sad days have quick - ly sped,
 4. *He broke the age - bound chains of hell;*
 5. Lord, by the stripes which wound - ed thee,



now is the Vic - tor's tri - umph won;
but Christ their le - gions hath dis - persed.
 he ris - es glo - rious from the dead.
the bars from heav'n's high por - tals fell.
 from death's dread sting thy ser - vants free,



now be the song - of praise be - gun.
Let shouts of ho - ly joy out - burst.
 All glo - ry to our ris - en Head!
Let hymns of praise his tri - umph tell.
 that we may live and sing to thee.



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

❖ **BENEDICTION**

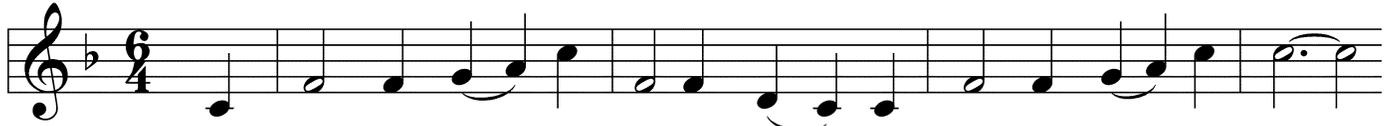
❖ **DEPARTING HYMN**

Nunc Dimittis

Song of Simeon

Luke 2:29-32, para. James Quinn

Traditional American melody



1. Lord, bid your ser - vant go in peace, your word is now ful - filled.
2. This is the Sav - ior of the world, the Gen-tiles' prom - ised light,



These eyes have seen sal - va-tion's dawn, this child so long fore - told.
God's glo - ry dwell - ing in our midst, the joy of Is - ra - el.

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An elder will be available at the front of the sanctuary immediately after the service concludes to pray with you and help answer questions you may have about the Christian faith or Redeemer Presbyterian Church.

LESSONS

Psalm 119:1-8

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

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

“See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you today, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over 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, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.”

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

But I, brothers, could not address you as spiritual people, but as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for it. And even now you are not yet ready, for you are still of the flesh. For while there is jealousy and strife among you, are you not of the flesh and behaving only in a human way? For when one says, “I follow Paul,” and another, “I follow Apollos,” are you not being merely human?

What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you believed, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. He who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his wages according to his labor. For we are God’s fellow workers. You are God’s field, God’s building.

Sermon Lesson – John 10:1-21

¹“Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. ²But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. ³To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. ⁵A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers.” ⁶This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

⁷So Jesus again said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. ⁸All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly. ¹¹I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. ¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father.”

¹⁹There was again a division among the Jews because of these words. ²⁰Many of them said, “He has a demon, and is insane; why listen to him?” ²¹Others said, “These are not the words of one who is oppressed by a demon. Can a demon open the eyes of the blind?”