CHURCH OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN

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The Second Sunday after the Epiphany January 14, 2024 + 10:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist

Preparation for Worship in God's Name

PRAYER OF MEDITATION

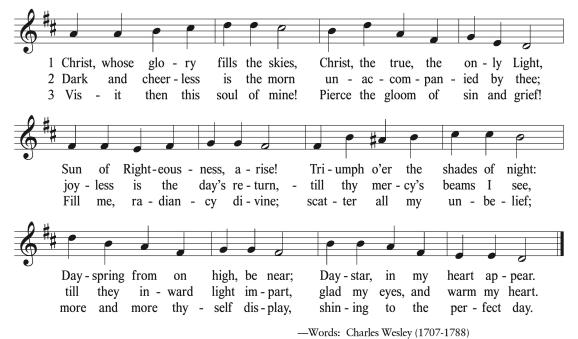
As the people gather before the service begins, we invite you to use the following prayer for meditation.

O God, you are the light of the minds that know you, the life of the souls that love you, and the strength of the hearts that serve you. Help us so to know you that we may truly love you; and so to love you that we may faithfully serve you, whom to serve is perfect freedom; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

The Liturgy of the Word

HYMN "Christ, whose glory fills the skies" Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.



1822)

All:

ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY Remain standing.

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

People: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

> Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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

Music: Ratisbon, attr. Johannn Gottlob Werner (1777-

holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS Remain standing; everyone sings.



-Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Remain standing; silence is kept.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

FIRST LESSON Seated.

A reading from the First Book of Samuel (3:1–10).

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening." So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 139:1-5, 12-17 Everyone sings.



-Setting: Jerome Webster Meachen.

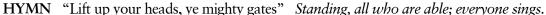
- 1 LORD, you have searched me out and known me; * you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from a<u>far</u>.
- 2 You trace my journeys and my <u>resting-places</u> * and are acquainted with all my <u>ways</u>.
- Indeed, there is not a word on my <u>lips</u>, * but you, O LORD, know it altogether.
- 4 You press upon me behind and before * and lay your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- For you yourself created my inmost <u>parts</u>; * you knit me together in my mother's <u>womb</u>.
- I will thank you because I am marvelously <u>made</u>; * your works are wonderful, and I know it <u>well</u>.
- My body was not hidden from <u>you</u>, * while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the <u>earth</u>.
- Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your <u>book</u>; * they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was <u>none of them</u>.
- How deep I find your thoughts, O <u>God!</u> * how great is the <u>sum of them!</u>
- ‡°17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the <u>sand</u>; * to count them all, my life span would need to be like <u>yours</u>.

SECOND LESSON

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians (6:12–20).

"All things are lawful for me," but not all things are beneficial. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food," and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, "The two shall be one flesh." But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.





—Words: Georg Weissel (1590–1635); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827–1878) Music: Truro, melody from Psalmodia Evangelica, Part II, 1789

GOSPEL Remain standing.

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (1:43-51).

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.

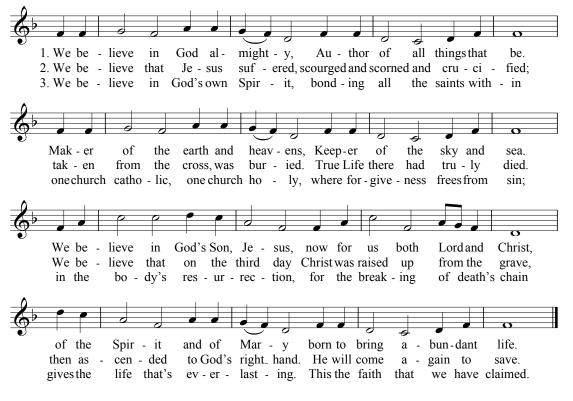
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Children may join Ann Backus for Children's Chapel. They will return at the Peace.

SERMON

A time for silent reflection follows the sermon.

CREED Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.



-Words: Sylvia G. Dunstan (1955-1993), alt.

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Music: Beach Spring, melody from The Sacred Harp, 1844

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Remain standing.

Leader: We remember in our prayers today the joys and concerns of this congregation: those who are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries; those in the military, especially those who have been deployed; the wider community of our families and friends; our parishioners who have asked our prayers, and those we hold in our hearts.

We pray for:

ANNE Bender	THE GREELEY	ALLAN Philp	LO Starck
GAIL Cox	FAMILY	MARILYN Randall	DENISE & ROGER
MARY Davis	MARGE Hudson	NANCYE Reeder	Tibedo
LOIS Dearolf	PATRICK Hundley	ALVIN Richards	ALICE & FRED
CONNIE DeWitt	ELLEN LoCurto-	TOM Schlitt	Wegmann
DANA & DEWELL	Martinez	CAROL Smith	MICHELE Welsh
Downey	DON McConnell	SHAROLYN Sprigg	and
DOUG Embler	KENT Parish	RANDY Stansberry	DON White

The people may add their own petitions.

Leader: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People: That we all may be one.

Leader: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People: That your name may be glorified by all people.

Leader: We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Leader: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Leader: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People: That our works may find favor in your sight.

Leader: Have compassion on those who suffer for any grief or trouble;

People: That they may be delivered from their distress.

Leader: Give to the departed eternal rest;

People: Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; People: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Silence may be kept.

All: God of all seasons, Your imagination is boundless and continually invites us into new possibilities for love, active caring, and servanthood. You inspire our growth from the riches of your grace. Help us to listen faithfully for your voice and to follow your call in this new season at Good Samaritan so that your name may be glorified in the generations and seasons to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All kneel. Silence is kept for a space.

All: Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word and deed, by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry, and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord

Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit

keep you in eternal life. Amen.

PEACE Standing, all who are able.

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Seated.

Holy Communion

OFFERTORY

All that we are and all that we have comes from God. Let us offer our best to God in thanksgiving, remembering that God loves a cheerful giver. (2 Corinthians 9:7)

ANTHEM Sung by the Choir.

Consecration

Take my life, and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to thee. Take my moments and my days; Let them flow in ceaseless praise. Take my hands, and let them move At the impulse of thy love. Take my feet, and let them be Swift and beautiful for thee. Take my voice, and let me sing Always, only, for my King.
Take my lips, and let them be Filled with messages from thee.
Take my silver and my gold;
Not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use
Every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine; It shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own; It shall be thy royal throne.
Take my love, my Lord, I pour At thy feet its treasure store.
Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for thee.

—Words: Frances Ridley Havergal (1836–1879), alt. Music: Frederick Chatfield (b. 1951)

HYMN "With gratitude and humble trust" Standing; everyone sings.



—Words: Frank von Christierson (b. 1900), alt. (Hymn 705, verse 3.)

Music: Forest Green, English melody; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958).

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Remain standing.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

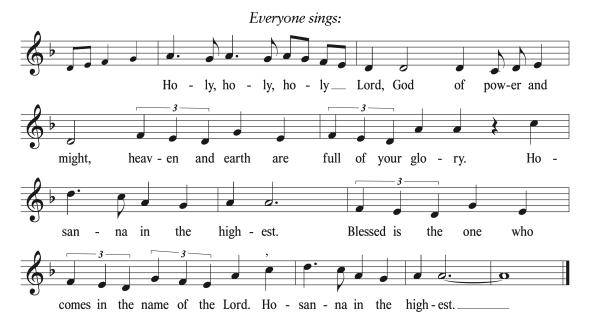
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is indeed right, for you made us, most Holy God. And before us, you made the world we inhabit, and before the world, you made the eternal home in which, through Christ, we have a place.

We praise you, O God, whom eternity cannot contain, for coming to earth and entering time in Jesus. We praise you for his life which informs our living, for his compassion which changes our hearts, for his clear speaking which contradicts our harmless generalities, for his disturbing presence, his innocent suffering, his fearless dying, his rising to life breathing forgiveness and restoring us forever to you. For these gifts we praise and worship you.

All that is spectacular, all that is plain, have their origin in you. All that is lovely, all who are loving, point to you as their fulfillment. Therefore we gladly join our voices to the song of the Church on earth and in heaven:



—Setting: Robert J. Powell (b. 1932)

The people stand or kneel.

Celebrant: Jesus was always the guest. In the homes of Peter and Jairus, Martha and Mary, Ioanna and Susanna, he was always the guest. At the meal tables of the wealthy where he pled the case of the poor, he was always the guest. Upsetting polite company, befriending isolated people, welcoming the stranger, he was always the guest.

> But here, at this table, he is the host. Those who wish to serve him must first be served by him. Those who want to follow him must first be fed by him. For this is the table where God intends us to be nourished. This is the time when Christ can make us new. So come, you who hunger and thirst for a deeper faith, for a better life, for a fairer world. Jesus Christ, who has sat at our tables, now invites us to be guests at his.

> On the night on which he was betrayed, and as they were sitting at a meal, Jesus gave thanks, took a piece of bread and broke it. He gave it to the disciples saying, "This is my body. It is broken for you. Do this to remember me."

Later, after they had eaten, he took a cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "This cup is the new relationship with God made possible because of my death. Drink this all of you, to remember me."

So now we do as Jesus did. We take this bread and this wine, the produce of the earth and the fruit of human labor.

All:

In these, Jesus has promised to be present; through these, Christ can make us whole.

Celebrant:

We ask, merciful God, that you send, in kindness, your Holy Spirit to settle on this bread and wine and fill them with the fullness of Jesus. Let that same Spirit rest on us, converting us from the patterns of this passing world, until we conform to the shape of him whose food we now share.

All: AMEN.

Silence is kept as the ministers bow in thanksgiving.

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All: 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

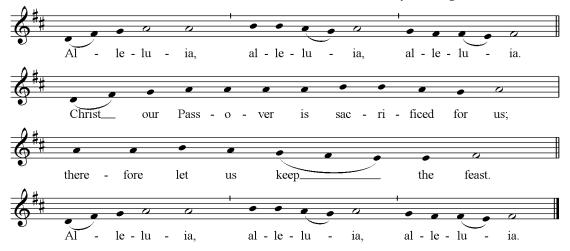
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. Everyone sings:



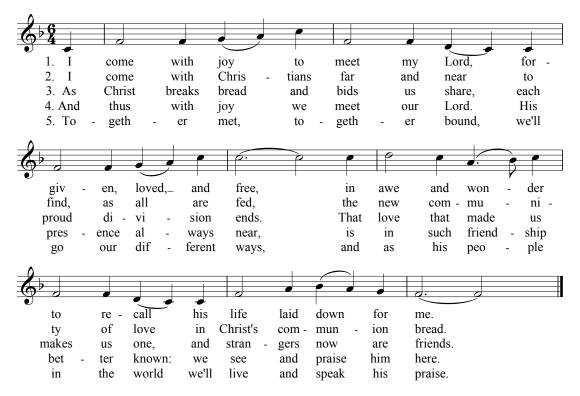
—Setting: From New Plainsong, David Hurd (b. 1950)

INVITATION

Celebrant: This is the table not of the righteous, but of the poor in spirit. It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world, with whom our Savior identified. It is the table of communion with the earth, in which our Lord became incarnate. This is the table of Jesus Christ. So come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often, and you who have not been for a while or ever before; you who have tried to follow Jesus, and all of us who have failed. These are the gifts of God for the people of God. It is Christ who invites you to be known and loved and fed here.

DURING COMMUNION

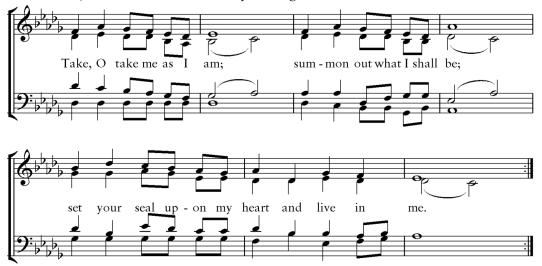
HYMN "I Come with joy to meet my Lord" Everyone sings.



-Words: Brian Wren (b. 1936), alt.;

Music: Land of Rest, American folk melody

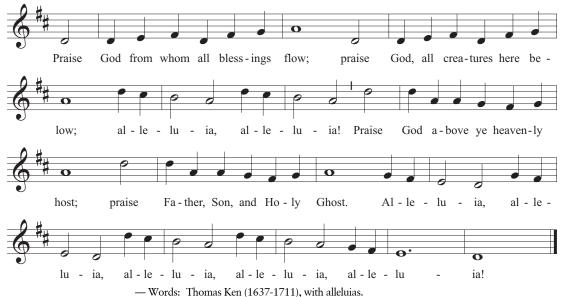
HYMN "Take, O take me as I am" Everyone sings.



—Words and Music: John Bell (b. 1949)

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DOXOLOGY Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.



Music: Lasst uns erfreuen, melody from Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengesang, 1623

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND MISSION Remain standing.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Almighty and everliving God,

we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food

of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;

and for assuring us in these holy mysteries

that we are living members of the Body of your Son,

and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out

to do the work you have given us to do,

to love and serve you

as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,

be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

SENDING OF THE EUCHARISTIC VISITOR Remain standing.

Celebrant: In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that

those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body

and blood. We are who are many are one body,

People: Because we all share one bread, one cup.

BLESSING Remain standing.

HYMN "Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim" Remain standing; everyone sings.



-Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt.

Music: Paderborn, melody from Catolisch-Paderbornisches Gesangbuch, 1765

DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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