CHURCH OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN

Grow in Faith. Live in Hope. Share God's Love.

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The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany February 9, 2025 + 10:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist

Preparation for Worship in God's Name

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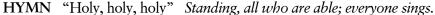
PRAYER OF MEDITATION

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





—Words: Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826), alt. Music: Nicaea, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY Remain standing.

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

All:

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 holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE "Glory to you" Remain standing; everyone sings.



—Setting: John Rutter (b. 1945)

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Remain standing; silence is kept.

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God,

now and for ever. Amen.

FIRST LESSON Seated.

A reading from the Book of Isaiah (6:1–13).

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

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

PSALM 138 Everyone sings.



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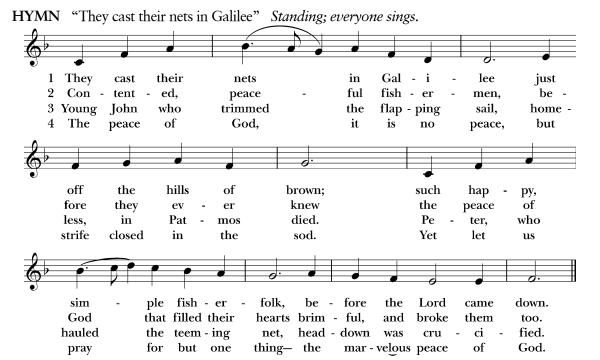
- I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole <u>heart</u>; * before the gods I will sing your <u>praise</u>.
- 2 I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your <u>Name</u>, * because of your love and <u>faithfulness</u>;
- For you have glorified your Name * and your word above all things.
- When I called, you <u>answered me</u>; * you increased my strength with<u>in me</u>.
- 5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O <u>LORD</u>, * when they have heard the words of your mouth.
- They will sing of the ways of the <u>LORD</u>, * that great is the glory of the <u>LORD</u>.
- 7 Though the LORD be high, he cares for the <u>lowly</u>; * he perceives the haughty from a<u>far</u>.
- Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me <u>safe</u>; * you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall <u>save me</u>.
- † 9 The LORD will make good his <u>purpose for me</u>; * O LORD, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your <u>hands</u>.

SECOND LESSON

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians (15:1–11).

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

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



GOSPEL Remain standing.

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (5:1–11).

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

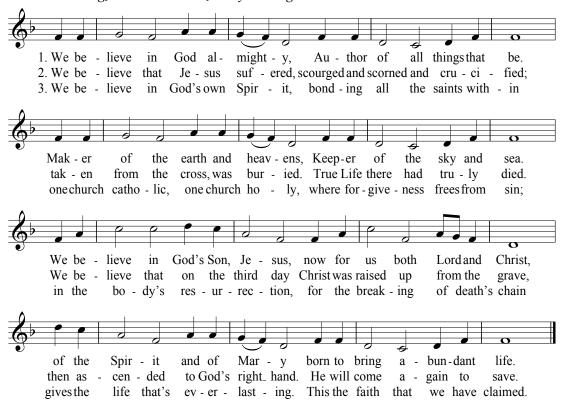
Children may join Laura Airhart and Katherine Smithwick for Children's Chapel.

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: Jesus went through Galilee preaching and healing and showing compassion to those in need. As God comes just as much today to those for whom we pray, let us offer our prayers to God, saying: Lord, in your mercy, receive our prayer.

Creator of all, look with favor upon the peoples of the world. In your mercy, give to all people the necessities of a life of worth and dignity. Lord, in your mercy,

People: Receive our prayer.

Leader: Ruler of creation, instill wisdom and understanding among the leaders of the

nations. Guide them into ways of justice and peace. Lord, in your mercy,

People: Receive our prayer.

Leader: Lord of the church, gather us all into one holy communion. Give us the courage

to look to you alone as the source of our unity. Lord, in your mercy,

People: Receive our prayer.

Leader: Lord of all hopefulness, fill us with joy and wonder in all your works. Receive

our thanks for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries. Lord, in your

mercy,

People: Receive our prayer.

Leader: Great Physician, bring your healing to all who suffer in body, mind, and spirit.

We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation: for those in the military, especially those who have been deployed; for the wider community of our families and friends; and for our parishioners who have asked our prayers:

ED Archer MARGE Hudson KENT Parish
CHIP Beets PATRICK Hundley BELLE Parman
KEN Bell ANGELA Lister ALLAN Philp
PEGGY Bradley FRANCIS Lloyd MARILYN Randall
DAVID & NANCY Cazalet ELLEN Lo-Curto-Martinez IANE Reed

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DOUG Embler MARCELLUS Mitchell ALICE & FRED Wegmann

BEVERLY Guiler DALE Oakley
ED Hochnedel PAT Pagni

The people may add their own petitions.

Leader: Lord, in your mercy, People: Receive our prayer.

Leader: Spirit of the living Christ, fill us with expectation and eager longing of that day

when no one will suffer, but when all will be gathered together in heavenly joy

and eternal life. Lord, in your mercy,

People: Receive our prayer.

Silence.

Celebrant: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of

your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and

Holy Spirit, now and forever. 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.

Amazing Grace

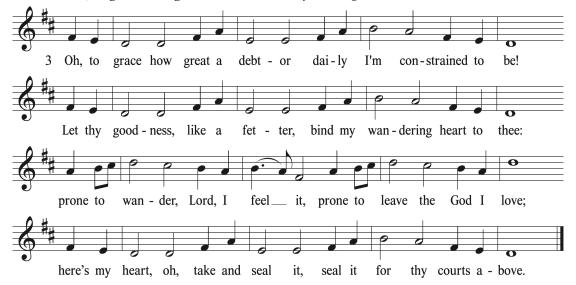
Amazing grace! how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed. Thro' many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come; 'Tis grace that brought me safe thus far And grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we first begun.

—Words: John Newton (1725–1807)
Music: New Britain, early American melody, arr. John Coates, Jr. (1938–2017)

HYMN "Oh, to grace how great a debtor" Everyone sings.



-Words: Robert Robinson (1735-1790), alt.

Music: Nettleton, melody from A Repository of Sacred Music, Part II, 1813

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.

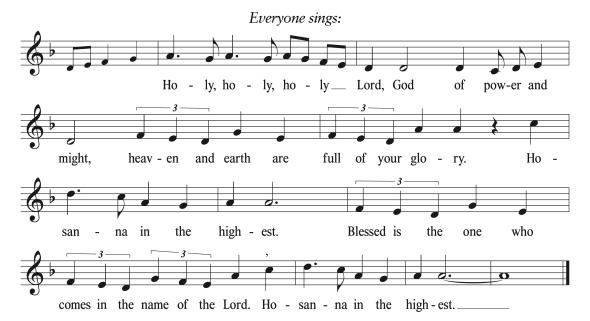
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

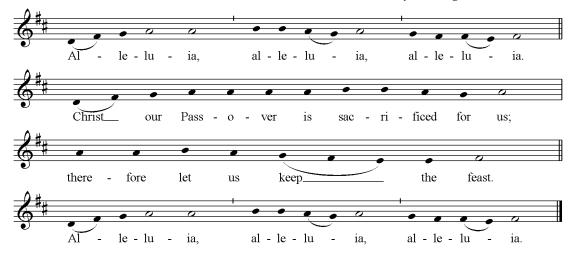
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

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)

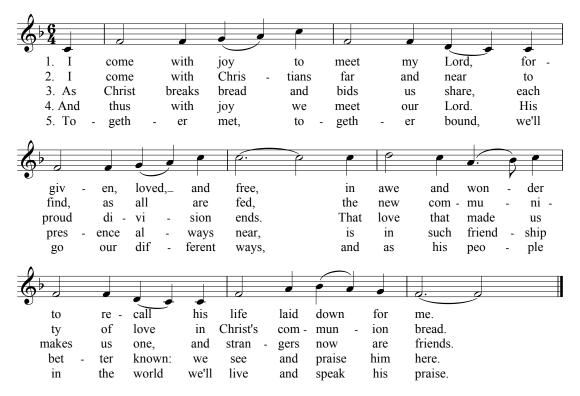
INVITATION

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.;

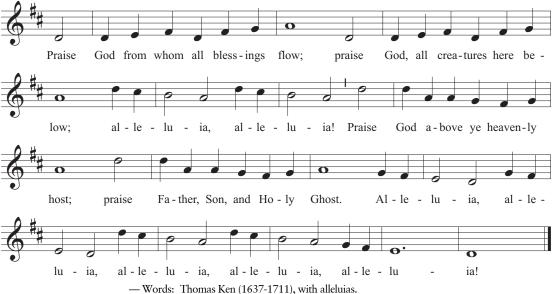
Music: Land of Rest, American folk melody

HYMN "Here I am Lord" Everyone sings.



—Words and Music: Daniel L. Schutte (b. 1947)

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: Eternal God, heavenly Father,

you have graciously accepted us as living members

of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage

to love and serve you

with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. 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 who are many are one body,

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

BLESSING Remain standing.

HYMN "God is Love, the heavens are telling"



---Words: Timothy Rees (1874-1939), alt.

Music: Abbot's Leigh, Cyril Vincent Taylor (1907–1991)

DISMISSAL

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

People: Thanks be to God.

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