

# Welcome to St. Mark's Chapel Open hearts, open minds, open doors

# The Third Sunday of Epiphany Sunday, January 23, 2022 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Prelude "Blessed Jesu at Thy word" BWV 730,731, J.S. Bach

Welcome

Liturgy of the Word

Hymn at the Procession "Hark the sound of holy voices" Hymnal 1982 #275

Acclamation

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

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

Collect for Purity BCP, p. 355

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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria "People of God" End of Bulletin

## Collect of the Day

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

First Reading Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

All the people of Israel gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people

understood the reading. And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

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

Psalm 19 "Caeli ennerant" BCP, p. 606

# Psalm 19 Response Unison G Unison G O God, you are my rock and my re-deem er.

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PSALTER

<sup>1</sup>The heavens are telling the glory of God;

and the firmament proclaims God's handiwork.

<sup>2</sup>Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;

'yet their voice goes out through áll the earth.

and their words to the end of the world.

In the heavens God has set a tent for the sun,

Swhich comes out like a beloved from a wedding canopy, and like an athlete runs its course with joy.

Its rising is from the end of the beavens.

and its circuit to the end of them, and nothing is hid from its heat. R

The law of God is perfect, reviving the soul;

the decrees of God are sure, making wise the simple;

the precepts of God are right, rejoiding the heart; the commandment of God is clear, enlightening the eyes;

the fear of God is pure, enduring forever;

the ordinances of God are true and righteous altogether.

<sup>15</sup>More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.

<sup>11</sup>Moreover by them is your servant warned;

in keeping them there is great reward.

<sup>12</sup>But who can defect their errors? Clear me from hidden faults.

<sup>13</sup>Keep back your servant also from the insolent;

do not let them have dominion over me.

Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.

<sup>14</sup>Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you.

O God, my rock and my redeemer.

Proper 21 [26] B vs. 7-14.

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

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

Gradual "Holy Spirit, ever living" Hymnal 1982 # 511

Holy Gospel Luke 4:14-21

*Priest:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. *People:* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captive, and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to

proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord. People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Rev. Brian D. Blayer

The Nicene Creed BCP, p. 358

#### Prayers of the People

Gracious God, we remember Your Son, our Savior as the Prince of Peace. Help this peace which passes all understanding be with us in all times and all places as we pray: Prince of Peace, *Be in our hearts*.

The wise men followed the light of a star to the manger in Bethlehem. Guide Your Church with the light of Christ this season and always, pouring your wisdom upon Michael, Ian, Laura, all clergy, and all who serve in Your name. Prince of Peace, *Be in our hearts*.

Angels visited shepherds in the field. Strengthen and comfort all who struggle each day to feed their families and live with dignity, that they may know your loving presence and have hope to carry on. Prince of Peace, *Be in our hearts*.

Joseph traveled with Mary to his hometown of Bethlehem for the census. Inspire the leaders of this land and those throughout the world to create justice and peace for all people in all places.

Prince of Peace, *Be in our hearts*.

Joseph, Mary, and Jesus settled in Nazareth and made it their home. Help us make Your presence known in the Quiet Corner so that all may know Your glorious presence in their lives. Prince of Peace, *Be in our hearts*.

Mary gave thanks to God that she might be a vessel of His grace. In gratitude for all that is good in our lives, we praise You and we bless You particularly for The Bishops transition team, and that which we name now silently or aloud: \_\_\_\_\_\_. Prince of Peace, *Be in our hearts*.

The angel told Mary: Be not afraid. Give comfort to all those who suffer from illness, pain, or grief, that they may courageously face the days ahead and know the healing power of your love. We pray especially for Zoma, Gloria, Rich, Janet, John Paul, and all those we mention now either silently or aloud\_\_\_\_\_\_. Prince of peace, *Be in our hearts*.

The whole heavenly host sang praises to God at the birth of Jesus. Comfort those who grieve the loss of a loved one with the knowledge that we are with the heavenly host for eternity. We remember before You this day those we no longer see especially those we mention now silently or aloud.

Prince of peace, Be in our hearts.

**Confession and Absolution** 

BCP, p. 360

# The Peace BCP, p. 360

#### **Holy Communion**

Offertory Hymn

"Book of books our people's strength"

Hymnal 1982 #631

Eucharistic Prayer B BCP, p. 367

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 right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. For you gave Jesus Christ, your only son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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Celebrant: We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command:

### All: We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

Celebrant: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus

Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. Amen.

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.

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Everyone is welcome at God's table. You are invited to come forward and receive communion.

<u>Gluten free wafers are available – please indicate to the priest if you prefer gluten free.</u>

**Communion Anthem** 

"Lord of the small"

**Forrest** 

#### **Prayer after Communion**

BCP, p. 365

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.

#### Blessing

*Celebrant:* The blessing of God almighty who is our Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen**.

Mission Hymn

"We are all one in mission"

WLP #778

BCP, p. 366

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Priest:
All:

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

"Blessed Jesu at Thy word"

BWV 706, J.S. Bach

## <u>Announcements</u>

Annual meeting today at 12:30. Zoom only. Please check email for link and information.

## Service Music



