

GOOD MORNING & WELCOME

Welcome to everyone joining us for worship this morning. Whether or not you consider yourselves members of this congregation, we are glad you are here. If the flow of worship should seem unfamiliar to you, relax and let God's presence envelop you, without a worry about when to stand, sit or kneel. If you are new to St. John's, please sign our guest register.

Please silence all cell phones and other noise-making devices before the start of the service. Thank you.

The Rev. Nathan D Carr – Vicar
The Rev. William Font – Priest Associate
The Rev. Lisa Chronister – Deacon
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Cantor – Doug Rogez
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Victoria Thomason and Dana Billingsley
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The Third Sunday after the Epiphany – Year B

Rite II - Holy Eucharist & Hymns - January 21, 2024 - 10:15 AM

The Word of God

Prelude

Processional

The Hymnal, #381



The Alleluias in stanzas 1-3 may be sung antiphonally. Words: Martin H. Franzman (1907-1976)

Music: Ton-y-Botel, Thomas John Williams (1869-1944)

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Celebrant **People**

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

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant 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.**

Gloria The Hymnal, S280

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

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.**

We Proclaim and Respond to the Word of God

The First Lesson Jonah 3:1-5, 10

The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, "Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 62:6-14 Nonne Deo?

6 For God alone my soul in silence **waits**; * truly, my hope is in **him.**

- 7 He alone is my rock and my salvation, * my stronghold, so that I shall not be **shaken**.
- 8 In God is my safety and my **honor**; * God is my strong rock and my **refuge**.
- 9 Put your trust in him always, O **people**, * pour out your hearts before him, for God is our **refuge**.
- 10 Those of high degree are but a fleeting **breath**, * even those of low estate cannot be **trusted**.
- 11 On the scales they are lighter than a **breath**, * all of them **together**.
- 12 Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty **pride**; * though wealth increase, set not your heart up**on** it.
- 13 God has spoken once, twice have I **heard** it, * that power belongs to **God**.
- 14 Steadfast love is yours, O **Lord**, * for you repay everyone according to his **deeds**.

The Second Lesson 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Sequence Hymn

3 Young John who trimmed the flapping sail, homeless, in Patmos died. Peter, who hauled the teeming net, head-down was crucified.

The Hymnal, #661

1 They cast their nets in Galilee just off the hills of brown; such happy, simple fisher-folk, before the Lord came down.

- 4 The peace of God, it is no peace, but strife closed in the sod. Yet let us pray for but one thingthe marvelous peace of God.
- 2 Contented, peaceful fishermen, before they ever knew the peace of God that filled their hearts brimful, and broke them too.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Holy Gospel Mark 1:14-20

After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord. **People Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon The Rev. Canon

Betsy Randall

The Nicene Creed BCP 358

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate: he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Form I BCP 383

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For Bishop Poulson, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy**.

For Oklahoma City and for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord. have mercy.**

For those on our prayer list, including Karl added just this week, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Silence.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

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.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

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.**

The Celebrant may add sentences from scripture Please stand

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

Blessing Prayer

O God, our times are in your hand: look with favor, we pray, on all those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace; strengthen their trust in your goodness, and in their hearts may your peace, which passes understanding, abide all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Offertory

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.

People And of thine own have we given thee.

Offertory Anthem Arise, Shine, for Thy Light Has Come Kenneth Jennings

St. John's Choir

Arise, shine, for thy light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon thee. For behold the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people; but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee. And the nations shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising. Arise, shine, for the light has come and the glory of the Lord has risen upon three.

Doxology The Hymnal, #380 (verse 3)

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B BCP 367

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

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 him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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:

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

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.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

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, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

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 Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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

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

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Agnus Dei The Hymnal, S163

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

We Share the Gifts of God

Holy Communion

Communion Hymn The Hymnal, #321

1 My God, thy table now is spread, thy cup with love doth overflow; be all thy children thither led, and let them thy sweet mercies know.

2 O let thy table honored be, and furnished well with joyful guests: and may each soul salvation see, that here its sacred pledges tastes.

3 Drawn by thy quickening grace, O Lord, in countless numbers let them come and gather from their Father's board the Bread that lives beyond the tomb.

4 Nor let thy spreading Gospel rest till through the world thy truth has run, till with this Bread shall all be blessed who see the light or feel the sun.

Post Communion Prayer

BCP 365

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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 Out of the Lay Eucharist Visitors

Deacon: 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.

People: We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread and one cup.

Recessional The Hymnal, #616

1 Hail to the Lord's Anointed. great David's greater Son! Hail, in the time appointed, his reign on earth begun! He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free; to take away transgression, and rule in equity.

2 He comes with succor speedy to those who suffer wrong, to help the poor and needy. and bid the weak be strong; to give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light, whose souls, condemned and dying, were precious in his sight.

3 He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth. and love, joy, hope, like flowers, spring in his path to birth; before him on the mountains shall peace, the herald, go; and righteousness in fountains from hill to valley flow.

4 Kings shall bow down before him, and gold and incense bring: all nations shall adore him. his praise all people sing; to him shall prayer unceasing and daily vows ascend; his kingdom still increasing, a kingdom without end.

5 O'er every foe victorious, he on his throne shall rest; from age to age more glorious, all blessing and all blest; the tide of time shall never his covenant remove: his Name shall stand for ever. his changeless Name of Love.

Dismissal Response: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

PRAYER LIST

Please hold the following people in your ongoing prayers:

Audrev Mathew Revnolds Jessica Beverly Bradley Judd Kathleen Rhodes Bob Drew Kolb Rob, Ruthie and Braiden Sarah Kramer Samuel Sarah Brewer Jean Ledet & Chad Adrienne Robertson Margaret Brown Dixon Sahar Lewis Honor Carr Gary and Kathleen Lee Scott Salladin Seth

Nancy Carr Denys Lenets

Jeff Clemens - RIP Kara Lynn **Betty Sinclair**

Kathie Clemens - RIP Dave Coleson Sue Collins Sir Michael Dawson Stephanie Dunham Dru Ed Sharon Ellington Jim Freeman Tom Freeman - RIP Agatha Gasperoni Myrna Gowman John Greiner Steve Hammontree Aimee Hanneman Kimberly Hopper Dr. J Jack

Ron Marlett Tony Marruchella Mary Leland Mayo Betty & Delbert Millican and Ryan Lightfoot Trish Morgan Christina Morris Paul Mosier Deborah Nelson Joy Nelson The Nichols Family Pam **Babette Patton** Patty Penny Peter Monte Pratt

Family of Kenneth Sosna John Steward and Lee DeWitt Martha Steward Nancy Steward Susan Sydney and Troy Ed Tebow Sarah Tracy Tyler and Dru Donna Walters Mary Jo Watson Pat Westervelt Gordon Welch Will Ginny Wynn

Altar Gifts

Today's flowers were donated by Mary Margaret Just in memory of Theodore Bradley III and Eric W. Just, Jr.

If you would like to donate towards flowers in memory or honor of someone close to you, please call Nancy at the church office.

Suggested donation for the altar flowers is \$50, or \$10 for the sanctuary candle.

Birthdays This Week

8 – Esther Carr 12 – Angela Hooper

Anniversaries

There are no anniversaries in January

Announcements

Sunday School News: With the exception of the adult forum, Sunday School reconvenes next Sunday, January 14. **The adult forum starts today, January 7, to begin their study of Mark**.

REMINDER – a St. John's team is volunteering for the Regional Food Bank on Monday Jan. 15, Martin Luther Day! Our shift is 9:30 - noon. Children as young as 8 can attend. If you signed up for this day, please be reminded that the door to volunteer area is at the far end of the food bank and has it's own entrance. Please be EARLY as the door is locked at 9:30 and there is no mode of communication.

We are continuing Bake Sales with proceeds going to an important new ministry. We are raising funds to purchase an adult-sized changing table. Please help us raise these funds by bringing your favorite baked goods to sell and/or purchasing some goodies when you are here on Sundays.

It's time to start donating to **Teachers' Toolbox** again. As they begin their new year, they are in need of **Crayons, Crayola Markers, Expo Markers (dry erase) and glue sticks**. There is a bin in the Narthex ready for your donations. Thank you for all you do for our local students!

WELCOME VISITORS: We are so happy you joined us today. We invite you to complete a visitor card that you will find at the ends of each pew, and drop it in the offertory plate when it comes your way.

THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR ALL INTENTS AND PURPOSES FROM 1/4/2024 THROUGH 1/26/2024 SCHEDULED TO REOPEN 1/30/2024

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