Third Sunday after Epiphany

Communion Sunday

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two January 21, 2024

The Word of God

Opening Hymn No. 381

Thy strong word did cleave the darkness; at thy speaking it was done; for created light we thank thee, while thine ordered seasons run:

Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to thee who light dost send!

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness, dark as night and deep as death, broke the light of thy salvation, breathed thine own life-giving breath:

Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to thee who light dost send!

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

Thy strong word bespeaks us righteous; bright with thine own holiness, glorious now, we press toward glory, and our lives our hopes confess:

Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to thee who light dost send!

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

God the Father, Light-Creator, to thee laud and honor be; to thee, Light of Light begotten, praise be sung eternally; Holy Spirit, Light-Revealer, glory, glory be to thee; mortals, angels, now and ever praise the Holy Trinity.

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All standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit And blessed be his kingdom now and forever. Amen.

The Celebrant says

People

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 in Excelsis

The following is said, all standing

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.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.

The Old Testament Lesson

Jonah 3:1-5; 10

A Reading from the Book of Jonah

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.

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

Psalm 62:6-14

- 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 upon 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 Epistle I Corinthians 7:29-31

A Reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians

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.

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

Gradual Hymn No. 531

O Spirit of the living God, in all thy plenitude of grace, where'er the foot of man hath trod, descend on our apostate race.

Give tongues of fire and hearts of love, to preach the reconciling word; give power and unction from above, whene'er the joyful sound is heard.

Be darkness, at thy coming, light; confusion, order in thy path; souls without strength inspire with might, bid mercy triumph over wrath.

Convert the nations! far and nigh the triumph of the cross record; the Name of Jesus glorify, till every people call him Lord.

Words: James Montgomery Music: Melcombe, Samuel Webbe

The Holy Gospel Mark 1:1-14

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

People Glory to you, Lord Christ

Now 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.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Martin Gutwein

The Nicene Creed

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

All remain standing.

Put your trust in God always, O people. With humble hearts let us pray to God; "Steadfast love is yours, O Lord; show us mercy."

O God, you have called your Church to be merciful. May your Church be known by the love we show and the grace we speak. Our souls in silence wait for you.

Steadfast love is yours, O Lord;

People: Show us Mercy.

O God, you love those we call enemy. Transform our hearts that we might not wish for the destruction of any but instead hope for the salvation of all people. Our souls in silence wait for you.

Steadfast love is yours, O Lord;

People: Show us Mercy.

O God, we recognize that we take your creation for granted. Forgive us and teach us to be good stewards. Our souls in silence wait for you.

Steadfast love is yours, O Lord;

People: Show us Mercy.

O God, we lift to you the hungry and poor of our region. We ask you to be for them a strong rock and refuge. Our souls in silence wait for you.

Steadfast love is yours, O Lord;

People: Show us Mercy.

O God, in you is our safety and honor. Bless those who are sick and those who are brokenhearted. Give to all the comfort of your peace. Our souls in silence wait for you.

Steadfast love is yours, O Lord;

People: Show us Mercy.

O God, even while this life is passing away, you are faithful. Receive into your heavenly kingdom the dying and the dead. Continue to bless them with your love. Our souls in silence wait for you.

Steadfast love is yours, O Lord;

People: Show us Mercy.

Confession of Sin

All kneel.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A period of silence is observed.

Celebrant and People together say

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 Priest stands and says

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.

All stand.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

Offertory Hymn Hymnal 530

Spread, O spread, thou mighty word, spread the kingdom of the Lord, That to earth's remotest bound, all my heed the joyful sound.

Word of how the Father's will, made the world and keeps it still, How his only Son he gave, earth from sin and death to save.

Word of how the Savior's love earth's sore burden doth remove; How forever, in its need, through his death the world is freed.

Word of how the spirit came bringing peace in Jesus' name; How his never-failing love, guides us on to heaven above.

Word of life, most pure and strong, word for which the nations long, Spread abroad, until from night all the world awakes to light.

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Eucharistic Prayer B

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

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.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 kneel.

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.

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 [_____and] 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

The Celebrant then continues

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

A period of silence is kept.

[Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

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

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Spiritual Communion

A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen. (St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

Communion Hymn

Hymnal 321

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.

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

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.

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

Words: sts. 1-3 Philip Doddridge, st.4 Isaac Watts Music: *Rockingham*, adapt. Edward Miller, harm. Samuel Webbe

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us pray.

The Celebrant and People together say

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.

Epiphany Blessing

The priest blesses the people, saying

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Closing Hymn Hymnal 537

Christ for the world we sing!

The world to Christ we bring with loving zeal;
the poor and them that mourn, the faint and overborne,
sin-sick and sorrow-worn, whom Christ doth heal.

Christ for the world we sing!

The world to Christ we bring with fervent prayer;
the wayward and the lost, by restless passions tossed,
redeemed at countless cost, from dark despair.

Christ for the world we sing!

The world to Christ we bring with one accord;
with us the work to share, with us reproach to dare,
with us the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.

Christ for the world we sing!

The world to Christ we bring with joyful song;
the newborn souls, whose days, reclaimed from error's ways,
inspired with hope and praise, to Christ belong.

Words: Samuel Wolcott Music: Moscow, Felice de Giardini, harm. Lowell Mason

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ

People Thanks be to God.

Notes and Announcements January 21, 2023

PRAYER LIST

Anglican Cycle of Prayer for the Diocese of Akoko (Nigeria)...

<u>Diocesan Calendar of Prayer</u> for The Revs: Lydia A. Edwards, Dr. Thomas Haverly...

Parish Calendar of Prayer for our Shut-Ins and those in Care Facilities...

For Our sons and daughters in the military Nathan, Kenney, Zach, Jack, Garrett, Willie, Charley...

<u>For those Celebrating Birthdays this Week</u> Diane Rugala 01/21; Karen Sobota 01/24; Amy Penney 01/26...

For the Sick, Suffering & Infirm Denise, Dan Sr., Stephen, Matt, Mark, Tanya, Leslie & Chris, Marlene, Benadette, Joseph, Dot, Renee, Julia, Olivia, Bea, Lisa, Craig, David, Amanda, Rita, John, Lyn, Hank, Sue, Nicole, Bob, Dennis, Alex, Lisa, Ben, David, Sylvia, Joe, Gus, Briana, McKensie, Margie, David R, Bill, Fred, Audrey...

PLEASE WELCOME The Rev. Martin Gutwein who is with us this week.

Upcoming Events:

- Saturday, January 27 Clothing Swap 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Sunday, January 28 Annual Meeting
- Tuesday, February 13 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
- Wednesday, February 14 Ash Wednesday (service times TBA)



COMMUNION SUNDAY_- Today, January 21st, we celebrate with three of our Sunday School and Youth Fellowship families as Joshua, Reilley, and Molly Sewall, Scarlett Boben, and Jack Poklikuha receive Communion for the first time. There will be a special coffee hour to follow our 9:00AM Service. (Sunday School and Youth Fellowship will not meet that day due to family celebrations later today. We'll return to our usual 1st and 3rd Sunday schedule on Sunday, February 4.)

THE ANNUAL MEETING & QUICHE BRUNCH will take place NEXT SUNDAY, January 28th after the 9:00Service. Please see the sign-up sheet at the back of the Church.

REPORTS FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING on January 28 are due TODAY, January 21st. If you are the head of a ministry group, please submit your report (or reports) to the office via email at holytrinity1@verizon.net so that Charlotte will have them in her inbox tomorrow morning. Thank you!

UPCYCLING GREETING CARD PROGRAM – Please bring in no longer wanted greeting cards. They will be given to St. John of God Community Services in Westville. The Vocational Rehabilitation and Adult Services group will remove the front of each card to create a new greeting. You may leave your cards in the box at the back of the Church. For more information call Craig Burgess at 856-667-2003.

ONLINE GIVING_- To make it easier for folks to make their weekly offering, just follow the link on the Holy Trinity website and send your contribution electronically through Vanco. (You are still welcome to mail your weekly offering if it is easier for you.) Thank you all for your continued faithful giving.

2024 CALENDARS are available at the back of the church (free). Take several and share with a friend, neighbor or family member.



2024 ALTAR FLOWER CHART – is hanging at the back of the Church. If you would like to sponsor flowers for the Altar on any Sunday, please sign next to the desired date, if available. Flowers are \$45.00.