

The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany February 4, 2024

The Service of the Word

Opening Voluntary: Andrew Gregg

Opening Hymn: "Lead me, Guide Me."

Lead me, guide me along the way; For if You lead me, I cannot stray; Lord, let me walk each day with Thee.

Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and

forever. Amen

The Collect for Purity

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

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL *** (Ages 4 – 10 years)

During the following hymn, children process with the leader to the Chapel for a lesson and singing; they return at The Peace.

Song of Praise: "The Blessing"

The Lord bless you and keep you Make His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you The Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace Amen, amen, amen(x2)

The Collect of the Day - prayed by the Celebrant

The First Reading: 1 John 2:15-28

Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. ¹⁶ For everything in the world—cravings of sinful man, the lust of the eyes, and the boasting of what he has and does—comes not from the Father but from the world. ¹⁷ The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever.

¹⁸ Dear children, this is the last hour; and as you have heard that the antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have come. This is how we know it is the last hour. ¹⁹ They went out from us, but they did not really belong to us. For if they had belonged to us, they would have remained with us; but their going showed that none of them belonged to us. ²⁰ But

you have an anointing from the Holy One, and all of you know the truth. ²¹ I do not write to you because you do not know the truth, but because you do know it and because no lie comes from the truth. ²² Who is the liar? It is whoever denies that Jesus is the Christ. Such a person is the antichrist—denying the Father and the Son. ²³ No one who denies the Son has the Father; whoever acknowledges the Son has the Father also.

²⁴ As for you, see that what you have heard from the beginning remains in you. If it does, you also will remain in the Son and in the Father. ²⁵ And this is what he promised us—eternal life. ²⁶ I am writing these things to you about those who are trying to lead you astray. ²⁷ As for you, the anointing you received from him remains in you, and you do not need anyone to teach you. But as his anointing teaches you about all things and as that anointing is real, not counterfeit—just as it has taught you, remain in him. ²⁸ And now, dear children, continue in him, so that when he appears we may be confident and unashamed before him at his coming.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm: 147:1-12, 21c (read responsively by whole verse)

1 Hallelujah!

How good it is to sing praises to our God! how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!

- 2 The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem; he gathers the exiles of Israel.
- 3 He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.
- 4 He counts the number of the stars and calls them all by their names.
- 5 Great is our LORD and mighty in power; there is no limit to his wisdom.
- 6 The LORD lifts up the lowly, but casts the wicked to the ground.
- 7 Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; make music to our God upon the harp.
- 8 He covers the heavens with clouds and prepares rain for the earth;
- 9 He makes grass to grow upon the mountains and green plants to serve mankind.

- 10 He provides food for flocks and herds and for the young ravens when they cry.
- 11 He is not impressed by the might of a horse; he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;
- 12 But the LORD has pleasure in those who fear him, in those who await his gracious favor.
- 21 Hallelujah!

Sequence Hymn:



The Gospel Reading: Mark 1:29-39

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Mark.

People Glory to you Lord Christ.

After Jesus and his disciples left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them. That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

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

Sermon: Part 3—1 John: *The Difficult Bits* The Rev. Rob Dixon

The Nicene Creed (p. 358 BCP)

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 & 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.

(*"catholic" means universal)

Prayers of the People

In peace, we pray to you, Lord.

For all people in their daily life and work; For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone. (Silence)

For this community, the nation, and the world; For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation; For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression. (Silence)

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy. (Silence)

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth. (Silence)

For our church prayer list and for all who have died. (Silence) For the special needs and concerns of those around us here today. (Silence)

And, Lord, for all the blessings of our lives; We give you thanks. (Silence)

The Confession

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 Peace: Welcome & Announcements





The Holy Communion

This portion of the service begins on p. 361 in the BCP however, you are encouraged to give your attention to the altar.

The Communion. All seeking God through Jesus are invited and welcome to receive Communion. Anyone who does not wish to receive communion is invited come forward, cross their arms over their chest, and receive a blessing. If you would like the clergy to bring communion to someone in the pews, please notify the ushers at the door of the church. For bread only, no wine, put one arm across your chest. Gluten Free available.

Offertory: "Everlasting God" (see insert)

The Doxology 380: (v. 3)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.PeopleWe lift them to the Lord.CelebrantLet us give thanks to the Lord.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Sanctus S-129

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.

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of

faith:

People Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Lord's Prayer (p. 336 BCP)

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.

Communion Hymn: "Way Maker/King of Glory"

You are here moving in our midst I worship You. You are here working in this place I worship You.

(Refrain) (You are) Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper. Light in the darkness my God that is who You are

You are here touching ev'ry heart I worship You. You are here healing ev'ry heart I worship You (Refrain)

You are here turning lives around I worship You I worship You. You are here mending ev'ry heart I worship You yeah I worship You Lord (Refrain)

Even when I don't see it You're working (x2) You never stop You never stop working (x2)

His name is Jesus, precious Jesus. Lord almighty, King of my heart, King of glory.

Communion Hymn: "Taste and See" (insert)

Post Communion Prayer (p. 365 BCP)

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*.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn:

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord; (x2) And we pray that all unity will one day be restored

(Refrain) And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, Yes they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand (x2) And together we'll spread the news that god is in our land.

Serving Today

8:00am

DOD: Melodie Rowland Ambassadors: Mary Shontz

Chalice Bearers:

Readers: Chip Lands, Isabelle Peterson

10:30am

DOD: Kathy Meloche

Acolytes: Lamar Parsley, Sierra Dixon,

McKenzie Simpler

Ambassadors; Clay Coleman

Chalice Bearers: Angela Hinkle, Wanda Reed Readers: Aaron Wimmers, Eden Ridgeway





Your Sermon Notes:

Prayer List

Requested Prayers will remain on the list for 4 weeks. Please let us know if you need to be on longer.

Requested Prayer

Angel, Ann, Anne M., Arlie, Art H., Audrey, Barbara S., Becky H., Brandon, Brenna, Butch, Carlos, Chloe, Cindy B., Connie, Corey, Crystal, Curt, Daniel, David P., Diane P., Duane, Elaine G, Elaine S., Emily C., Erica, Evelyn, Fay, Francis, Gary, Gretchen, Herman, Ivy, Jack, Jan, Jerry, Jimmy M., Jim W., Joe., John C., Jonathan U., Joyce Ba., Judy, Karen, Karla, Kathy B., Kathy M., Katie, Keith, Kelli, Kelly, Kenneth, Kenny, Linda, Louise, Mabel, Manuel L., Manuel S., Marguerite, Marilyn, Mark, Mary, Martha, Melissa, Michelle, Mike, Nancy S., Pamela, Phyllis, Ralph, Richard, Ron, Sarah, Seth, Sheri L., Sherry Jo, Stephanie, Susan, The Bish Family, The Marshall Family, The Rev. Trisha Spencer, The Zerber Family, Thomas S., Tom L., Victor, Virginia, Wade, William B., William Z.

Military

Adam Paris, Adam Thomas, Adam Zigler, Alexander Logan, Anthony Robbins, Asa Ramsey, Ben Boyer, Benjamin Merriweather, Bruce Gough, Cale Eggart, Chase Coleman, Christian Clark, Corbin Czeck, Daniel Payden, Donovan Chau, Doug Wiessman, Dylan Hoewt, Grant Hungerford, Hunter Bailey, Jackie Neville, James Madden, Jeremy Rice, Jessica Parker, Jose Hernandez, Kathryn Rubio, Kevin Kahl, Landen Haskins, Laz Bailiff, Marc Ruiz, Mike Darrah, Nicholas Pinkston, Sean Haight, Shaun Southall, Stephen del Risco, Tyler Post

Repose of the Soul

Jack Bruce (Husband of Mary Bruce)
Brad Bish (Husband of Linda Bish)
James Rutter (Stepfather of Tina Marshall)
Carolyn Gohr (Client of Christina Maddox)
Ina Birkencamp (Mother of Kathy Steenland)
David Dodwell (Brother of Bob, Teresa, Wayne, & Ken Donaldson)
Edith Danson (Godmother of Elaine Gaines & Cousin of
Helen Stuebing)

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