

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

10:30 a.m., Sunday, December 27, 2020
First Sunday after Christmas
Daily Morning Prayer: Rite Two



PRELUDE

“Hark the Glad Sound”
Sam Billen, solo

arr. Billen

OPENING SENTENCE (BCP p. 75)

Behold, the dwelling of God is with mankind. He will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself will be with them, and be their God. *Revelation 21:3*

CONFESSION OF SIN (BCP p. 79)

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to set forth his praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us pray in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Officiant 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 Priest alone 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.*

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

VERSICLE (BCP p. 80)

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People *And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

ANTIPHON (BCP p. 80)

Alleluia. To us a child is born: Come let us adore him. Alleluia.

INVITATORY (BCP p. 82)

*Come, let us sing to the Lord; **
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

*Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving **
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

*For the Lord is a great God, **
and a great King above all gods.

*In his hand are the caverns of the earth, **
and the heights of the hills are his also.

*The sea is his, for he made it, **
and his hands have molded the dry land.

*Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, **
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

*For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. **
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

PSALM 147:13-21 (BCP p. 805)

¹³*Worship the Lord, O Jerusalem; **
praise your God, O Zion;

¹⁴*For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; **
he has blessed your children within you.

¹⁵*He has established peace on your borders; **
he satisfies you with the finest wheat.

¹⁶*He sends out his command to the earth, **
and his word runs very swiftly.

¹⁷*He gives snow like wool; **
he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.

¹⁸*He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; **
who can stand against his cold?

*¹⁹He sends forth his word and melts them; *
he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.*

*²⁰He declares his word to Jacob, *
his statutes and his judgments to Israel.*

*²¹He has not done so to any other nation; *
to them he has not revealed his judgments.
Hallelujah!*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

THE LESSONS

FIRST READING: Isaiah 61:10-62:3

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations.

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

FIRST CANTICLE (BCP p. 87)

Canticle 11: The Third Song of Isaiah *Isaiah 60:1-3, 11a, 14c, 18-19*

*Arise, shine, for your light has come, *
and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.*

*For behold, darkness covers the land; *
deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.*

*But over you the Lord will rise, *
and his glory will appear upon you.*

*Nations will stream to your light, *
and kings to the brightness of your dawning.*

*Your gates will always be open; *
by day or night they will never be shut.*

*They will call you, The City of the Lord, *
The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.*

*Violence will no more be heard in your land, *
ruin or destruction within your borders.*

*You will call your walls, Salvation, *
and all your portals, Praise.*

*The sun will no more be your light by day; *
by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.*

*The Lord will be your everlasting light, *
and your God will be your glory.*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

SECOND READING: Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7

A Reading from Paul's First letter to the Church in Galatia.

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian.

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Reader *The Word of the Lord.*

People *Thanks be to God.*

SECOND CANTICLE (BCP p. 93)

Canticle 17: The Song of Simeon *Luke 2:29-32*

*Lord, you now have set your servant free *
to go in peace as you have promised;*

*For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, *
whom you have prepared for all the world to see:*

*A Light to enlighten the nations, *
and the glory of your people Israel.*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

THIRD READING: John 1:1-18

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

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE by SUSAN HIRES

MUSICAL OFFERING

**"In the Bleak Midwinter" Holst/Darke, arr. Whitney Dobyns
Yuka Naito, harp**

Sam Billen, guitar and vocal

THE SERMON

THE APOSTLES' CREED (BCP p. 96)

Officiant and People together

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

MUSICAL OFFERING

“I Wonder as I Wander”

John Jacob Niles

Camille Olcese, solo

THE PRAYERS

SALUTATION (BCP p. 97)

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Officiant Let us pray.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (BCP p. 97)

Officiant and People

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, forever and ever. Amen.

SUFFRAGES (BCP p. 97)

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;

R. *And grant us your salvation.*

V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

R. *Let your people sing with joy.*

V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

R. *For only in you can we live in safety.*

V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;

R. *And guide us in the way of justice and truth.*

V. Let your way be known upon earth;

R. *Your saving health among all nations.*

V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

R. *Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.*

V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

R. *And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.*

FIRST COLLECT (BCP p. 213)

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

SECOND COLLECT (BCP p. 98)

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THIRD COLLECT (BCP p. 100)

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PRAYER FOR MISSION (BCP p. 100)

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for our Full Communion Partner, the Mar Thoma Syrian Church of Malabar, India

In the World Council of Churches Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the people of Ghana and Nigeria

In the Kansas Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for Calvary, Yates Center

Pray for those who need healing: D.J., Sigrid, Eleanor, Lucie, Nancy, Gretchen, Kim, Arianna, Steve, Kimberly, Charles, David, Alyce, Nick, Mary

Pray for those with special circumstance: Darrenn, Nathan, Lisa, the Hernandez family, the Mendoza family

Pray for those in the hospital: Alyce

Pray for the departed: James Agnew, Heather Ferrell, Justice Tyler Lockett, Donna Osness, Zane Zahner, Kent Beisner, Al Biggs

BIRTHDAY PRAYER (“For a Birthday,” BCP p. 830)

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s), as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ANNIVERSARY PRAYER (“Anniversary of a Marriage,” BOS p. 164)

Grant, O God, in your compassion, that these two people, having taken each other in marriage, and affirming again the covenant which they have made, may grow in forgiveness, loyalty, and love; and come at last to the eternal joys which you have promised through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ANNIVERSARY OF A BAPTISM (“Renew their Baptismal Covenant,” BCP p. 819)

O God, you prepared your disciples for the coming of the Spirit through the teaching of your Son Jesus Christ: Make the hearts and minds of your servants ready to receive the blessing of the Holy Spirit, that they may be filled with the strength of his presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING (BCP p. 101)

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made.

We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM (BCP p. 102)

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

CONCLUDING VERSICLE (BCP p. 102)

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CONCLUDING SENTENCE (BCP p. 102)

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. *Amen. Ephesians 3:20, 21*

POSTLUDE

“Go, tell it on the mountain”

Aaron David Miller

Congregational hymn, # 100 Joy to the world!

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