

The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 22, 2023

9:15 am



An Order for Holy Eucharist Trinity Church, Swarthmore

From today's scriptures....

*The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness—
on them light has shined.*

~ Isaiah 9:2

Welcome! This service is meant to be especially suitable for children and their friends, of any age. There is room in it for interaction and play, as well as unplanned sounds and events! Upon entering, children and invited to **take a plain "Prayer Card" and write or draw a prayer or thanksgiving**, which will be shared with all by the priest during the service. We encourage older persons to help younger persons with **reading (or memorizing) the words in bold**.

The form for worship for this season has been adapted from the "Thanksgiving of the People of God," A New Zealand Prayer Book, pp. 404-429. This service **is not** livestreamed or recorded.

The Ministry of Word and Prayer

The People Gather

We greet one another informally, then warm up our voices and spirits by practicing one or two of the day's songs.

All standing, the presiding priest or minister then says

Grace and peace to you from God our Creator
and our Savior Jesus Christ.

God fill you with truth and joy.

Let us draw near to the light
which has drawn near to us.

Gathering Hymn

"Christ whose glory fills the skies"

Hymnal 1982 #7

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| <p>1. Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true, the only Light, Sun of Righteousness, arise! Triumph o'er the shades of night: Dayspring from on high, be near; Daystar, in my heart appear.</p> | <p>2. Dark and cheerless is the morn unaccompanied by thee; joyless is the day's return, till thy mercy's beams I see, till they inward light impart, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.</p> |
| <p>3. Visit then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief! Fill me, radiancy divine; scatter all my unbelief; more and more thyself display, shining to the perfect day.</p> | |

Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

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

The congregation sits.

The Proclamation

From the New Testament letters

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I

thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Song of Bringing

"Alleluia"

James Smith

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

Matthew 4:12-23

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

"Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—
the people who sat in darkness
have seen a great light,
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death
light has dawned."

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people."

Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them.

Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

The Word of God.

Praise to Christ, the Word.

Homily

Children are invited forward for a children's homily. After the children's message, they are then asked to return to their seats to continue working on their Prayer Cards.

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
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,**

**is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and 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.**

Prayers of the People

Allowing silence between biddings, the presiding priest or minister says

- + Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world...
Lord, in the light of your loving-kindness,
Hear our prayer.
- + Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good... Lord, in the light of your loving-kindness...
- + Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory... Lord, in the light of your loving-kindness...
- + Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us... Lord, in the light of your loving-kindness...
- + Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation... Lord, in the light of your loving-kindness...
- + We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom... Lord, in the light of your loving-kindness...

At this time, Prayer Cards are shown and described to the congregation. After intercessions or thanksgivings, the following may be used.

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| AFTER THANKSGIVING For your love and goodness we give you thanks, O God. | AFTER INTERCESSION God of love grant our prayer. |
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The Presider adds a concluding Collect.

Sharing in Christ's Peace

The peace of Christ be with you;
And also with you.

All are invited to share a sign of Christ's peace with one another. Announcements may be offered. As we sing the following song, bread and wine for Holy Communion and financial gifts for the work of the church are brought to the altar. We encourage families to allow children to put in small coins as a lesson in giving to the church for our shared ministries.

Song of Offering

"I want to walk as a child of the light"

Hymnal 1982 #490

1. **I want to walk as a child of the light.**
I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world.
The star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain:
In him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.
2. **I want to see the brightness of God.**
I want to look at Jesus.
Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path,
and show me the way to the Father. (Refrain)
3. **I'm looking for the coming of Christ.**
I want to be with Jesus.
When we have run with patience the race,
we shall know the joy of Jesus. (Refrain)

The Ministry of the Table: Holy Communion

The offerings of the people are presented. Bread and wine for communion are placed on the table.

The Great Thanksgiving

(New Zealand Prayer Book, Thanksgiving)

The Lord is here.

God's Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to offer thanks and praise.

The presider tells of God's purpose and work in creation through the gift of Christ, ending

Therefore with the faithful who rest in him, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying/singing:

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

And these words may be added

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

The presider then recounts the institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper

All glory and thanksgiving to you, holy Father;
on the night before he died
your Son, Jesus Christ, took bread;
when he had given you thanks,
he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said:

Take, eat, this is my body
which is given for you;
do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup;
when he had given you thanks,
he gave it to them and said:

Drink this, all of you,
for this is my blood of the new covenant
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins;
do this as often as you drink it,
to remember me.

Therefore loving God, recalling your great goodness to us in Christ, his suffering and death, his resurrection and ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate our redemption with

this bread of life and this cup of salvation. Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving which we offer through Christ our great high priest.

Glory to you, Lord Christ:

We remember your death;

We proclaim your resurrection;

We await your coming in glory.

Amen! Come Lord Jesus.

Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine which we receive may be to us the body and blood of Christ, and that we, filled with the Spirit's grace and power, may be renewed for the service of your kingdom.

United in Christ with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, O God, in songs of everlasting praise.

**Blessing, honor and glory be yours,
here and everywhere,
now and for ever. Amen.**

Silence may be kept.

As Christ teaches us we now pray

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

The priest breaks the bread in silence and then says

The bread we break
is a sharing in the body of Christ.
**We who are many are one body,
for we all share the one bread.**

Bread and wine; the gifts of God
for the people of God.

**May we who share these gifts
be found in Christ and Christ in us.**

The presiding priest and people then share in receiving communion.

On receiving Communion: *All who are drawn to God in the way of Jesus Christ are welcome to receive the consecrated host in the community of Trinity Church. To receive, please come up the center aisle and stretch out your hands, palms up. Eucharistic wine may be received directly from the common cup or, as a safety measure, from the tray with individual servings. Empty glasses are put on the empty trays at either side aisle. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request of the priest. To receive instead a spoken blessing, simply cross your arms in front of your chest.*

Song during Communion

"Let us break bread together"

Hymnal 1982, #325

1. **Let us break bread together on our knees;**
(repeat)
**when I fall on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun,
Lord, have mercy on me.**

2. **Let us drink wine together on our knees;**
(repeat)
**when I fall on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun,
Lord, have mercy on me.**

3. **Let us praise God together on our knees; (repeat)**
**when I fall on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun,
Lord, have mercy on me.**

Prayer After Communion

The priest says

Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.

Dying and living,
he declared your love,
gave us grace
and opened the gate of glory.

May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup
bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights
give light to the world.

**Keep us firm in the hope
you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name.**

A blessing may be given. The service concludes with the dismissal and a song

Let us go forth in the light of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Sending hymn

"They cast their nets in Galilee"

Hymnal 1982 #661

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| <p>1. They cast their nets in Galilee just off the hills of brown; such happy, simple fisherfolk, before the Lord came down.</p> <p>2. Contented, peaceful fishermen, before they ever knew the peace of God that filled their hearts brimful, and broke them too.</p> | <p>3. Young John who trimmed the flapping sail, homeless, in Patmos died. Peter, who hauled the teeming net, head-down was crucified.</p> <p>4. The peace of God, it is no peace, but strife closed in the sod. Yet let us pray for but one thing— the marvelous peace of God.</p> |
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All are invited to join the various programs and discussions outlined in the announcements.

*Coffee is available at the kitchen window in the Shero Room,
through the interior double doors of our worship space.*

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Assisting this morning:

Family of the Week
Altar Guild
Verger
Chalice-bearers

The Orlandos
Gale Donoghue, Tom Izbicki, Barbara Hibben, Kristin Cardi
Rich Englebach
Shirley Meehan and Rich Englebach
The Rev. Dr. Edward ("Fr. Ted") Thompson, preaching and presiding

TODAY at 10am:

A presentation from Swarthmore's [Task Force on Development and Affordability](#)

*Come hear an important presentation and be part of the conversation
with Swarthmore leaders on housing and affordability in our area!*

From the presenters:

"Swarthmore has traditionally been a place where people at a variety of income levels could find a place to live. Lately, though, both for-sale and rental prices have gone up so much that it's becoming a challenge for young families of moderate means, seniors on fixed incomes, lower-income renters, and others, to either move to or continue to live in the borough.

As the task force looks into questions of housing and affordability in town, we are reaching out to residents to share some of our research and to hear your thoughts. A 20-minute presentation on housing and affordability trends in the borough, along with information about what other communities are doing to address affordability concerns, will be followed by a facilitated conversation."

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