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## The Second Sunday after the Epiphany January 15, 2023



The Liturgy of The Holy Eucharist II

## Prelude

## Procession to the Altar Hymn #382

King of Glory

Celebrant	Blessed be God: Father, Son, and
	Holy Spirit.
People	And blessed be his kingdom, now
	and for ever. Amen.

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.* 

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

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLet us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

## A Reading from Isaiah (49:1-7)

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The LORD called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword. in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God." And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength--he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel: I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 40:1-12

- 1 I waited patiently upon the LORD; he stooped to me and heard my cry.
- 2 He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay; he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure.
- 3 He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the LORD.

#### 4 Happy are they who trust in the LORD! they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.

- 5 Great things are they that you have done, O LORD my God! how great your wonders and your plans for us! there is none who can be compared with you.
- 6 Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! but they are more than I can count.
- 7 In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure (you have given me ears to hear you);
- 8 Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required, and so I said, "Behold, I come.
- 9 In the roll of the book it is written concerning me: 'I love to do your will, O my God; your law is deep in my heart."'
- 10 I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; behold, I did not restrain my lips; and that, O LORD, you know.
- 11 Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance; I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great congregation.
- 12 You are the LORD; do not withhold your compassion from me; let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever.

## A Reading from 1 Corinthians

(1:1-9)

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes. To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

## Gradual

You Are My Hiding Place

You are my hiding place, you always fill my heart, With songs of deliverance, whenever I am afraid. I will trust in You, I will trust in You.

Let the weak say I am strong in the strength of the Lord.

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# The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus ChristAccording to John(1:29-42)

## Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, `After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, `He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God." The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

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

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#### I will trust in you.

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#### The Sermon

Silence for reflection

#### The Nicene Creed (Standing, as able.)

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*.

#### **Prayers of the People**

Let us pray.

For the whole church of God, that it may grow in unity and servant hood. We pray especially for Bartholomew, Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople, Francis, Bishop of Rome, Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our presiding bishop, Melissa our bishop provisional, Brian our assisting bishop; for priests, deacons and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God.

#### Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For the Anglican Communion, especially the Dioceses of Osaka - (Japan), Osun - (Nigeria), Osun North -(Nigeria), Osun North East - (Nigeria), Ottawa - (Canada), Otukpo - (Nigeria), and The Church of Nigeria; our diocese, especially St. John's, Kirkland; St. Thomas, Medina; Emmanuel, Mercer Island; and our parish.

#### Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For all the leaders and people of the world, especially Joseph, our president, that reconciliation and peace may overcome conflict and oppression. We pray for our armed forces and those who are deployed especially for those we now name....

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For the hungry in body, mind or spirit, that they may be nourished by your presence and truth.

Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer.* 

For the sick and those in pain, for the lonely and the forgotten, for the dying and all who mourn , that your healing grace may shine forth in the shadows of this world. We pray for all those on our prayer list and those in our hearts, especially Lyn, Areewa, Marisa, Rico, Saray, Leif, Kari, Kathryn, Milana, Jackie, Elianny, Glen, Gary, Marilyn, Keith, Justin & Kendra, Alex, Janae, Jeanne, Travon, Debbie, Cindy, Scott, Mike, Kim, Mike, Michele, Bob, Leanne, and for those we now name....

#### Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

For the gifts of joy and love, that we may bear witness to the manifestations of your glory. We give thanks for all the blessings of this life, especially for those we now name...

#### Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

For those who have died and now abide in Christ's presence, remembering especially Chip Yoeun, Loeum Loy, Barbara Bertolin, Nancy Newkirk, John Weller, and those we now name...,

#### Lord in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

#### Celebrant

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.* 

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

#### 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.

Celebrant

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 Peace

Celebrant	The Peace of the Lord be always with
	you.
People	And also with you.

#### Announcements, Birthdays, Anniversaries

#### Offertory

Our Sunday loose cash offerings go to our Emergency Aid Fund, which directly serves families and individuals in need within our community. Your generosity makes saying "yes" to those who need help the most possible.



## The Great Thanksgiving - B

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[Please see Book of Common Prayer, pg. 367]		
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.	

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing...

Celebrant and People

#### Sanctus

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. The Celebrant continues* We give thanks to you, O God...

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... 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** 

#### Lord's Prayer

*Celebrant* As our Savior Christ has taught 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 this day 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 forever. Amen.

## The Breaking of the Bread and Holy Communion

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.* 

#### Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

All persons are invited to come forward to receive Holy Communion in one <u>or</u> both of the elements or receive a blessing. Gluten-free hosts and alcohol-free wine are available upon request at the rail. If you have yet to be baptized and are interested in learning more about this sacrament, please see one of the clergy following the liturgy.

If you do not wish to come forward for Communion or a blessing, or if you are attending the liturgy virtually, you are invited to pray the following from The St. Augustine's Prayer Book.

## **Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, I long to offer praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive Communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

#### **The Post Communion Prayer**

Celebrant 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.

#### The Blessing

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*.

## Procession to the Neighborhood Hymn #657

Love divine

#### **St. Matthew Mission Statement**

To be a church that passionately embraces and values all people, growing in the love of Christ through word and action.

CelebrantLet us go forth in the name of Christ.PeopleThanks be to God.

## Postlude