



Third Sunday after the Epiphany  
Sunday, January 23, 2022

CHRIST CHURCH PARISH  
(Episcopal)

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Morning Prayer Rite 1  
The Third Sunday after the Epiphany  
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Christ Church (Episcopal), Adrian 720 Riverside Ave  
The Liturgy

The Passing of the Peace

Officiant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Sentence of Scripture (Epiphany) BCP 38

From the rising of the sun even unto the going down  
of the same my Name shall be great among the  
Gentiles, and in every place incense shall be offered  
unto my Name, and a pure offering: for my Name shall  
be great among the heathen, saith the Lord of  
hosts. *Malachi 1:11*

The Gathering Prayer

Creator, we give you thanks for all you are and all you  
bring to us for our visit within your creation. In Jesus,  
you place the Gospel in the center of this sacred circle  
through which all of creation is related. You show us  
the way to live a generous and compassionate life.  
Give us your strength to live together with respect and  
commitment as we grow in your spirit, for you are  
God, now and forever. Amen.

(A Disciple's Prayer Book)

Confession of Sin

BCP 41

Celebrant:

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy 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 kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

All:  
Almighty and most merciful Father,  
we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,  
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts,  
we have offended against thy holy laws,  
we have left undone those things which we ought to have done,  
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,  
spare thou those who confess their faults,  
restore thou those who are penitent,  
according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord;  
and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,  
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and

sober life,  
to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

Celebrant:

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant us absolution and remission of all our sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant: O Lord, open thou our lips.

People: And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Officiant and People

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 (On Sundays...)

BCP 44

The earth is the Lord's for he made it: *O come, let us adore him.*

Venite

BCP 44

O come, let us sing unto the Lord; \*

let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*  
and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, \*

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the corners of the earth, \*

and the strength of the hills is his also.  
The sea is his, and he made it, \*  
and his hands prepared the dry land.  
O come, let us worship and fall down, \*  
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.  
For he is the Lord our God, \*  
and we are the people of his pasture  
and the sheep of his hand.  
O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; \*  
let the whole earth stand in awe of him.  
For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth, \*  
and with righteousness to judge the world  
and the peoples with his truth.

Antiphon (On Sundays...)                      BCP 44  
The earth is the Lord's for he made it: *O come, let us  
adore him.*

Psalms 19 *Caeli enarrant*                      BCP 606  
1 The heavens declare the glory of God, \*  
and the firmament shows his handiwork.  
2 One day tells its tale to another, \*  
and one night imparts knowledge to another.  
3 Although they have no words or language, \*  
and their voices are not heard,  
4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, \*  
and their message to the ends of the world.  
5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; \*  
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his  
chamber;  
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the  
heavens  
and runs about to the end of it again; \*  
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.  
7 The law of the LORD is perfect  
and revives the soul; \*  
the testimony of the LORD is sure  
and gives wisdom to the innocent.  
8 The statutes of the LORD are just  
and rejoice the heart; \*  
the commandment of the LORD is clear  
and gives light to the eyes.  
9 The fear of the LORD is clean  
and endures for ever; \*  
the judgments of the LORD are true  
and righteous altogether.  
10 More to be desired are they than gold,  
more than much fine gold, \*  
sweeter far than honey,  
than honey in the comb.  
11 By them also is your servant enlightened, \*  
and in keeping them there is great reward.  
12 Who can tell how often he offends? \*  
cleanse me from my secret faults.  
13 Above all, keep your servant from  
presumptuous sins;  
let them not get dominion over me; \*  
then shall I be whole and sound,  
and innocent of a great offense.  
14 Let the words of my mouth and the  
meditation of my heart be acceptable in your

sight, \*

O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

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.

A reading from Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

All the people of Israel gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

Officiant: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

A Song of Praise *Benedictus es, Domine Song of the Three Young Men, 29-34* BCP 49

Blessed art thou, O Lord God of our fathers; \*  
praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art thou for the name of thy Majesty; \*  
praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art thou in the temple of thy holiness; \*  
praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art thou that beholdest the depths,  
and dwellest between the Cherubim; \*  
praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art thou on the glorious throne of thy  
kingdom; \*  
praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art thou in the firmament of heaven; \*  
praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art thou, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; \*

praised and exalted above all for ever.  
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.

A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians  
12:12-31a

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the

body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

Officiant: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

The Song of Simeon BCP 51

*Nunc dimittis* Luke 2:29-32

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, \*  
according to thy word;

For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, \*  
which thou hast prepared before the face of all  
people,  
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, \*  
and to be the glory of thy 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.

A reading from the Gospel of Luke 4:14-21  
Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned  
to Galilee, and a report about him spread through  
all the surrounding country. He began to teach in  
their synagogues and was praised by everyone.  
When he came to Nazareth, where he had been  
brought up, he went to the synagogue on the  
sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to  
read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was  
given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the  
place where it was written:

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
because he has anointed me  
to bring good news to the poor.  
He has sent me to proclaim release to the  
captives  
and recovery of sight to the blind,  
to let the oppressed go free,  
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the  
attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the  
synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to  
say to them, "Today this scripture has been  
fulfilled in your hearing."

Officiant: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

Sermon Todd Johnson, Lay Worship Leader

The Apostles Creed

BCP 53

*Officiant and People together*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;

who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead, and buried.

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven,

and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father

almighty.

From thence he shall come to judge the quick and  
the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

All: And with thy spirit.

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 54

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.

Suffrage A

BCP 55

V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

R. And grant us thy salvation.

V. Endue thy ministers with righteousness;

R. And make thy chosen people joyful.

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

R. For only in thee can we live in safety.

V. Lord, keep this nation under thy care;

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

V. Let thy way be known upon earth;

R. Thy 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.

Collect of the Day (Third Sunday)

BCP 163

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  
liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one  
God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Collect for Sundays

BCP 56

O God, who makest us glad with the weekly  
remembrance of the glorious resurrection of thy Son  
our Lord: Grant us this day such blessing through our  
worship of thee, that the days to come may be spent  
in thy favor; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.  
*Amen.*

A Collect for Mission

BCP 58

O God, who hast made of one blood all the peoples of  
the earth, and didst send thy blessed Son to preach  
peace to those who are far off and to those who are  
near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after  
thee and find thee; bring the nations into thy fold;  
pour out thy Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the  
coming of thy kingdom; through the same thy

Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*Prayers and thanksgivings may be offered at this time,  
either silently or spoken*

The General Thanksgiving BCP 58  
Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we thine unworthy servants  
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks  
for all thy goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all men.  
We bless thee for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for thine inestimable 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 beseech thee,  
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,  
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;  
and that we show forth thy praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to thy service,  
and by walking before thee  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,  
be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

A Prayer of St Chrysostom BCP 59  
Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time

with one accord to make our common supplication  
unto thee; and hast promised through thy well-beloved  
Son that when two or three are gathered together in  
his Name thou wilt be in the midst of them: Fulfill now,  
O Lord, our desires and petitions of thy servants as  
may be best for us; granting us in this world  
knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life  
everlasting. *Amen.*

Let us bless the Lord.  
*Thanks be to God.*

#### Announcements

Dismissal BCP 59  
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*

THANKS TO ALL WHO ASSIST with everything it takes  
to provide community worship on Sunday mornings!

#### UPCOMING SERVICES:

1/30 Morning Prayer Rite II, Joyce Holden  
2/6 Holy Eucharist Rite II, The Rev Dan Buchin  
2/13 Holy Eucharist Rite II, The Rev Dan Buchin

#### UPCOMING EVENTS:

1/24 Bennet Linden's birthday  
1/31 Sue Burke's birthday



SAINTS CELEBRATED THIS WEEK:

1/23 Phillips Brooks, Bishop of Massachusetts, 1893  
1/25 The Conversion of St Paul, Apostle  
1/26 Timothy and Titus, Companions of Saint Paul  
1/27 John Chrysostom, Bishop of Constantinople, 407  
1/28 Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Friar, 1274

COMMON PRAYERS WITH UNCOMMON RESULTS THIS WEEK FOR:

CONTINUED PRAYERS: Bob; Bobbie; Sue; Ed & Audrey; Joyce; Bob & Donna; Jamie & Marvin; Jill; Julie; John; Nancy; Harriet; John; Margaret; Arnold; Paul Barth; Linda; Carrie; Lily & Violet; Al; Vickie; Lonnie; Corky; Sarah; Todd; Lonnie; JoAnn; Ted & Julie; Sherri; Helen; Dan's sisters & brother-in-law

PRAYERS FOR those who are suffering the effects of the pandemic & the 800,000+ who've lost their lives.

PRAYERS FOR those who have suffered loss due to gun violence, & those who live with these threats every day.

PRAYERS FOR the unemployed & homeless

IN HARM'S WAY our service men & women

CYCLE OF PRAYER: Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop; Bonnie Perry, our Bishop; Moises Quezada Mota, Bishop of the Diocese of the Dominican Republic; Elizabeth Eaton, ELCA Presiding Bishop; Donald P Kreiss, ELCA Bishop, SE Michigan Synod; Craig A Satterlee, ELCA Bishop,

NW Lower Michigan Synod; our Diocesan retired community household; Our Diocesan household; St Peter's, Hillsdale; St Philip's, Rochester; Holy Comforter, Dajabon, DR

We welcome you to Christ Church, and look forward to meeting together in person for worship & fellowship when current directives from the Diocese regarding the pandemic are lifted!

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