



Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany
Sunday, February 5, 2023

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(Episcopal)

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Morning Prayer Rite 1
The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany
February 5, 2023
Christ Church (Episcopal), Adrian 720 Riverside Ave
The Liturgy

The Passing of the Peace

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

People: *And also with you.*

Sentence of Scripture (Epiphany) BCP 38

I will give thee for a light to the Gentiles, that thou mayest be my salvation unto the end of the earth. *Isaiah 49:6b*

Confession of Sin BCP 41

Presider:

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.*

Presider:

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

Presider: O Lord, open thou our lips.

People: *And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.*

All: *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

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:
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

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O come, let us adore him.

Psalm 112:1-9 *Beatus vir* BCP 755

1 Hallelujah!

Happy are they who fear the Lord *
 and have great delight in his commandments!

2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; *
 the generation of the upright will be blessed.

3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, *
 and their righteousness will last for ever.

- 4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; *
the righteous are merciful and full of
compassion.
- 5 It is good for them to be generous in lending *
and to manage their affairs with justice.
- 6 For they will never be shaken; *
the righteous will be kept in everlasting
remembrance.
- 7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; *
their heart is right;
they put their trust in the Lord.
- 8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, *
until they see their desire upon their enemies.
- 9 They have given freely to the poor, *
and their righteousness stands fast for ever;
they will hold up their head with honor.

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

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah 58:1-9a

Shout out, do not hold back!
Lift up your voice like a trumpet!
Announce to my people their rebellion,
to the house of Jacob their sins.
Yet day after day they seek me
and delight to know my ways,
as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness
and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;
they ask of me righteous judgments,
they delight to draw near to God.

“Why do we fast, but you do not see?
Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?”
Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day,
and oppress all your workers.
Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight
and to strike with a wicked fist.
Such fasting as you do today
will not make your voice heard on high.
Is such the fast that I choose,
a day to humble oneself?
Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush,
and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?
Will you call this a fast,
a day acceptable to the LORD?

Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the thongs of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?
Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover them,
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?
Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up quickly;
your vindicator shall go before you,
the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.
Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;
you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

Lector: 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 Corinth 2:1-12

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not
come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty
words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing
among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And
I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much
trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not
with plausible words of wisdom, but with a
demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your

faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the
power of God.

Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it
is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age,
who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's
wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before
the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age
understood this; for if they had, they would not have
crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written,
"What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,
nor the human heart conceived,
what God has prepared for those who love
him"—

these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit;
for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of
God. For what human being knows what is truly
human except the human spirit that is within? So also
no one comprehends what is truly God's except the
Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of
the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we
may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

Lector: 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 Matthew 5:13-20

Jesus said, "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

Presider: The word of the Lord.
People: *Thanks be to God*

Sermon Todd Johnson, Lay Worship Leader

The Apostles Creed

BCP 53

*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

Presider: 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 (Fifth Sunday)

BCP 164

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in
believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*
Romans 15:13

We welcome you all to this morning's worship service, and
invite you to join us for fellowship immediately following!

TODAY'S LECTOR: Joyce Holden

UPCOMING SERVICES:

2/12 Holy Eucharist Rite 2, Pastor Richard Rentner
2/19 Morning Prayer Rite 1
2/22 Ash Wednesday service, 4:00 PM
2/26 Morning Prayer Rite 2

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Today, Deanery meeting, 2:30 PM via Zoom
2/14 Valentine's Day
2/19 Jay Carpenter's birthday
2/20 Presidents' Day

SAINTS CELEBRATED THIS WEEK:

2/5 The Martyrs of Japan, 1597

COMMON PRAYERS WITH UNCOMMON RESULTS THIS
WEEK FOR:

CONTINUED PRAYERS: Bob; Bobbie; Sue; Ed &
Audrey; Joyce; Bob & Donna; Jamie & Marvin; Jill;
Julie; John; Harriet; John; Arnold; Paul Barth; Linda;
Carrie; Lily & Violet; Al; Vickie; Lonnie; Corky; Sarah;
Todd; Lonnie; JoAnn; Ted & Julie; Sherri; Helen;

Eleanor; Sam's sister & family; Eric; Mary's family; Mark;
Susan's grandson

BEREAVEMENT: Scott & Natalie Linden, on the loss of her
mother, Cathy Sepsey

PRAYERS FOR those who are suffering the effects of
the pandemic & the 1.12M+ who've lost their lives.

PRAYERS FOR those who have suffered loss due to
shootings, & those who live 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 Clement's, Inkster; Christ the King, Puerto
Plata, DR; Grace Church, Boca Chica, DR

SAVE THESE DATES!

Saturday, February 18, 9:00 AM to Noon

Vestry Days

Virtual event held on Zoom

Topics:

Core purpose with Bishop Perry

Financial safeguards with Canon Mark Miliotto

Data & hospitality with Rev Canon Ellen Ekevag & Rev
Susie Schaefer

When to call the Diocese with Canon Jo Ann Hardy

Website basics with Adrienne Trupiano

Register online: <https://tinyurl.com/vestry23>

Sunday, February 19 at 4:00 p.m.

A Diocesan Celebration Commemorating The Rev.

Absalom Jones, the First African-American

Episcopal Priest

Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Detroit

Saturday, May 6

Diocesan Ministry Fair

Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Detroit

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