

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Sunday, February 4, 2024 8:45 am & 11:00 am

Holy Eucharist: Rite II

The mission of St. Paul's Episcopal Church is to explore and celebrate God's infinite grace, acceptance, and love.

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The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) is the red book.

The Hymnal 1982 (H) is the blue book.

The service starts on page 355 in the Book of Common Prayer.

PRELUDE: THE PEACE MAY BE EXCHANGED LOCKLAIR

THE WORD OF GOD

Please stand at the tolling of the bell.

HYMN: IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE H 423

Please remain standing.

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. BCP 355

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Presider 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.



Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

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.

People Amen.

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON: ISAIAH 40:21-31

Have you not known? Have you not heard?

Has it not been told you from the beginning?

Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?

It is he who sits above the circle of the earth,

and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers;

who stretches out the heavens like a curtain,

and spreads them like a tent to live in;

who brings princes to naught,

and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing.

Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown,

scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth,

when he blows upon them, and they wither,

and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

To whom then will you compare me,

or who is my equal? says the Holy One.

Lift up your eyes on high and see:

Who created these?

He who brings out their host and numbers them,

calling them all by name;

because he is great in strength,

mighty in power, not one is missing.

Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel,

"My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"?

Have you not known? Have you not heard?

The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.

He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless.

Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted;

but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles,

they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

The lector closes the reading, saying

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Silence and stillness

THE PSALM: PSALM 147:1-12, 21c



- 1 Hallelujah!
 - How good it is to sing | praises to our | God! *
 how pleasant it is to | honor the | LORD with | praise!
- The LORD re- | builds Je- | rusalem * and | $\overline{\text{gathers}}$ the | $\overline{\text{exiles}}$ of | Israel.
- 3 The LORD heals the | broken- | hearted *
 - | and binds | up their | wounds.
- The LORD counts the | number of the | stars * and | calls them | all by their | names.
- 5 Great is our LORD and | mighty in | power, * whose | wisdom | is be-yond | limit.
- 6 The LORD | lifts up the | lowly, *
 but casts the | wicked | to the | ground.
- 7 Sing to the | LORD with thanks- | giving; * make music to our | God u- | pon the | harp.
- 8 God covers the | heavens with | clouds * and pre- | päres | rain for the | earth;
- 9 God makes grass to grow u- | pon the | mountains *
 And | green plants to | serve hu- man- | kind.
- 10 God provides food for | flocks and | herds * and for the young | ravens | when they | cry.



- 11 The LORD is not impressed by the | might of a | horse * and has no pleasure | in the | strength of a | man;
- 12 But the LORD has pleasure | in the | God-fearing, * in those who await God's gracious favor.
- 21c | Halle- | lü- | jah!

THE SECOND LESSON: 1 CORINTHIANS 9:16-23

If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

The lector closes the reading, saying

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Silence and stillness

Children in second grade and below are invited to follow the cross and process to Children's Chapel. They will return at the Peace to take Communion with their families.

HYMN: IN CHRIST THERE IS NO EAST OR WEST

H 529

11:00 service only

THE HOLY GOSPEL: MARK 1:29-39

Please stand

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After Jesus and his disciples left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358

Please stand.

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

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Our prayer list can be found online at www.tinyurl.com/stpaulsfay-prayer

Prayer is offered with intercession for the Universal Church, its members, and its mission; the Nation and all in authority; the welfare of the world; the concerns of the local community; those who suffer and those in any trouble; and the departed.

Please add your intercessions aloud or in silence after each petition.

At the end of each petition, the following is said:

Litanist Great is our God and mighty in power,

People whose wisdom is beyond limit.

CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP 360

Silence may be kept.

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 ABSOLUTION

BCP 360

THE PEACE BCP 360

Please stand.

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Weekly announcements can be found online at www.stpaulsfay.org/s/epistle.pdf

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

Gifts can be made online at www.tithe.ly/give?c=454227



8:45 ANTHEM: FAIREST LORD JESUS

11:00 ANTHEM: OUR SOULS IN SILENCE WAIT

HAMPTON ROBERTS

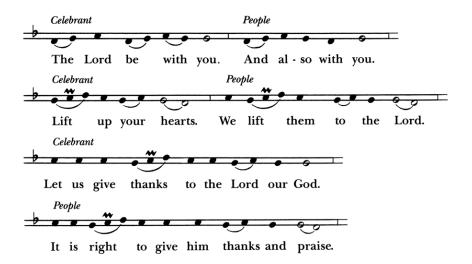
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

BCP 367

Please stand.

Spoken at 8:45 and sung at 11:00

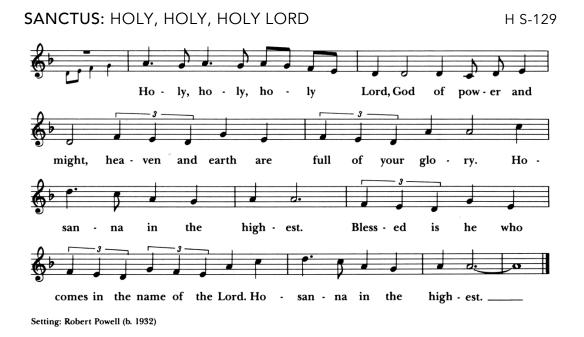


The Presider continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



Please stand or kneel.

The Presider continues

BCP 362

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation...

... Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Presider and People

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Presider continues

BCP 363

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all...

...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.

Presider and People



THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

BCP 364

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.



Facing the people, the Presider says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

and may add

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Whoever you are and wherever you are in your pilgrimage of faith, you are welcome in this place; you are welcome at God's table.

To receive Communion, come forward down the center aisle. Hand sanitizer is available. You may come up the chancel steps to the altar rail or receive at the floor station in front of the pulpit. If you need the clergy to bring Communion to your pew, please let an usher know. To receive the bread, extend your open palm to the minister. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. To receive the wine, guide the base of the chalice with your hand so that you can sip from the cup. You may also intinct/dip the bread into the wine if you prefer. If you prefer not to receive in either or both kinds, cross your arms over your chest to indicate your intention. Return to your pew by the side aisles.

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

For those joining us at home

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. We remember your death, Lord Christ; we proclaim your resurrection; we await your coming in glory. Since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we beg you to come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

COMMISSIONING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Minister In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these

holy gifts, that [names of recipients] may share with us the

communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

People We who are many are one Body, because we all share one Bread,

one Cup.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

Please stand or kneel.

Presider 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.

HYMN: O BLESS THE LORD, MY SOUL H 411

THE BLESSING

THE DISMISSAL

After the dismissal sentence

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: THE PEOPLE RESPOND "AMEN" LOCKLAIR

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