

ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Shawnee, Kansas



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A SERVICE OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

January 31, 2021

The Opening Hymn

*Praise to the Lord
The Hymnal 1982 #390*

1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation; O my soul praise Him For He is thy health and salvation: join the great throng, psaltery, organ, and song, sounding in glad adoration.

2 Praise to the Lord; over all things he gloriously reigneth: borne as on eaglewings, safely his saints he sustaineth. Hast thou not seen how all thou needest hath been granted in what he ordaineth?

3 Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy way and defend thee: surely his goodness and mercy shall ever attend thee; ponder anew what the Almighty can do, who with his love doth befriend thee.

4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him! All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him! Let the amen sound from his people again; gladly for ever adore him.

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THE WORD OF GOD

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

The Collect for Purity

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.

Said all together

**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.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People ***And also with you.***
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth:
Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one
God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

The Old Testament Deuteronomy 18: 15-20

Moses said: The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the LORD my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." Then the LORD replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die."

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

The Psalm Psalm 111

Confitebor tibi

1 Hallelujah!

**I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, *
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.**

**2 Great are the deeds of the LORD! *
they are studied by all who delight in them.**

**3 His work is full of majesty and splendor, *
and his righteousness endures for ever.**

**4 He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; *
the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.**

**5 He gives food to those who fear him; *
he is ever mindful of his covenant.**

**6 He has shown his people the power of his works *
in giving them the lands of the nations.**

**7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; *
all his commandments are sure.**

**8 They stand fast for ever and ever, *
because they are done in truth and equity.**

**9 He sent redemption to his people;
he commanded his covenant for ever; *
holy and awesome is his Name.**

**10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; *
those who act accordingly have a good understanding;
his praise endures 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.*

The Epistle 1 Corinthians 8: 1 - 13

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him.

Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “no idol in the world really exists,” and that “there is no God but one.” Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords—yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one

Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. "Food will not bring us close to God." We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

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

Gospel Anthem

Hallelujah

Verse 1

Your love is amazing
Steady and unchanging
Your love is a mountain
Firm beneath my feet
Your love is a myst'ry
How You gently lift me
When I am surrounded
Your love carries me [*Chorus*]

Verse 2

Your love is surprising
I can feel it rising
All the joy that's growing
Deep inside of me
Ev'ry time I see You
All Your goodness shines through
I can feel this God song
Rising up in me [*Chorus*]

Interlude

Yes You make me sing
Lord You make me sing sing sing
How You make me sing

Chorus

Hallelujah hallelujah hallelujah
Your love makes me sing
Hallelujah hallelujah hallelujah
Your love makes me sing

Verse 3

Your love is amazing
Steady and unchanging
Your love is a mountain
Firm beneath my feet
Your love is a myst'ry
How You gently lift me
When I am surrounded
Your love carries me [*Chorus*][*Interlude*]

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The Gospel Mark 1: 21-28

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

People ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

Sermon The Reverend Jonathan Brice



The Mission of the Apostles. Unknown. Circa 11th cent. St. Sophia of Kyiv.

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The Nicene Creed

All stand and say together.

**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 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

January 31, 2021

The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

*As the people gathered in Capernaum to hear Jesus' words, so too have we come together to hear God's word. Let us boldly offer our prayers to God, saying: **Lord, have mercy.***

For the world in which we live and to which we are called, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the nations of the world, and for world peace, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the church of Christ, zealous in mission, compassionate in service, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For this congregation and for our hearing the word, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who labor in the world and in the church, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who are sick, and for those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those with whom we rejoice, and for those whose joy is known only in the secret of their hearts, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the Anglican Church of Burundi

In the World Council of Churches Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the people of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden

In the Kansas Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for Grace, Chanute

Let us pray to the Lord; **Lord, have mercy.**

For Those Serving in the Armed Forces: Devon Allen; Murphy Bright; Ben Dible; Coy Goodman; Michael Green; Harvey Hayselden; Drew Hunnicutt; Benjamin Karpinski; Patrick McAnerney; Alex Shaw; Jose Te'o; Brian Wichaël; Collin Kelly; Macauley Garton; Frank Bednar; Grant Bednar

Let us pray to the Lord; **Lord, have mercy.**

For Health & Strength: Deanne and Kelly; Jeanette Burris; Becky Stanley; Marcia Streepy; the family of Wayne White; Craig Knabel; Candace Harvey; Rose Youngs; The

Family of Keala Kauanui; the Family of Steve Osborne; Jeanne and Bruce Miller; Karen Mitchell; Frankie Woodman; Jerome; Christy and Family; Jim, Danny and Michelle; John Howell; Dixie Moss; Doug and Arlene Finney; Judy Ball; Charlene Lassiter; Charlie Luetje ; Barbara Alexander; Janet Kay; Dakota and Cyd Pfeiffer; Mililani Hayselden; Courtney Canova; Curtis Smith; James Johann; Maxine Liebst; Elizabeth Appleyard; Adam Griest; Roger Aton; Anthony Straker; Jack Harris; “Spike” Speicher; the Hoffmann family, especially John Hoffman; Florence Kirkland; Michael Siragusa; Jeanne McDowell; Ken Hoag; Matt Hunnicut; Joanne Diviney; Geraldine; Richard Mann; Don Hoffman; Ginger Waters; Maxine Jones; Jonell Knodel; Athyana McElwee; Lana Rae, Evan Higgins; Homer Nash; Kristy Maendele; Deb Callaway, Jim Darnell, Stephanie Robertson and family; Budd Hughes;

Let us pray to the Lord; ***Lord, have mercy.***

For Birthdays: Stazi Beaulieu; Rose Schrempp; Maxwell Hayselden

Let us pray to the Lord; ***Lord, have mercy.***

For all who have died, especially Patricia Clarke, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. Let us pray to the Lord; ***Lord, have mercy.***

O God, we commend to your care all for whom we pray, in the confidence that your love for them is greater than anything we can know or imagine. Hear us, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Birthday Prayer

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin

Priest Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Priest 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.**

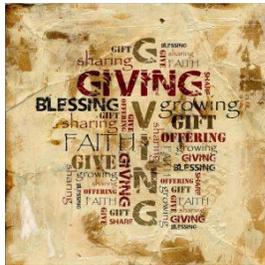
Priest

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 Exchange of Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**



The Offertory Sentence

Celebrant

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

Offertory Anthem

*O For a Thousand Tongues – Abby Green Anthem
The Hymnal 1982 #493*

The Presentation of Bread



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

Standing as you are able.

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.***

Celebrant

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

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

Celebrant and People

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.

Celebrant

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.

Celebrant

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer

(All together)

**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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Post Communion Hymn

My Faith Looks Up To Thee
The Hymnal 1982 #691

1 My faith looks up to thee,
thou Lamb of Calvary,
Savior divine!
Now hear me while I pray,
take all my guilt away;
O let me from this day
be wholly thine.

2 May thy rich grace impart
strength to my fainting heart,
my zeal inspire;
as thou hast died for me,
O may my love to thee
pure, warm and changeless be,
a living fire.

3 While life's dark maze I tread,
and griefs around me spread,
be thou my guide;
bid darkness turn to day;
wipe sorrow's tears away,
nor let me ever stray
from thee aside.

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A spiritual communion is a devotional action that anyone can pray. It expresses the desire to receive Holy Communion at a moment where circumstances impede them from actually receiving the consecrated bread and wine.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as I proclaim your resurrection. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Priest

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Announcements

The Closing Hymn

Bind Us Together

Chorus

Bind us together Lord
Bind us together with cords
That cannot be broken
Bind us together Lord
Bind us together Lord
Bind us together with love

Verse 1

There is only one God
There is only one King
There is only one body
That is why we can sing

Verse 2

Made for the glory of God
Purchased by His precious Son
Born with the right to be clean
For Jesus the vict'ry has won

Verse 3

You are the fam'ly of God
You are the promise divine
You are God's chosen desire
You are the glorious new wine

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The Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia. Alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**



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