

The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany



February 9, 2020

8:15 a.m.



HOLY EUCHARIST

RITE II

As the Ministers enter, all stand.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 355

Celebrant Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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.
People **Amen.**

KYRIE ELEISON

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.
People **Christ, have mercy.**
Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 212

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

God of Blazing light, through the power of the cross you shattered our darkness, scattering the fears that bind us and setting us free to live as your children. Give us courage and conviction that we may joyfully turn and follow you into new adventures of faithful service, led by the light that shines through Jesus Christ our Savior.
Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 58:1-12

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 this not 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 cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Read responsively by half verse

Psalm 112:1-10

- 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.
- 10 The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; *
 the desires of the wicked will perish.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 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.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL

Matthew 5:13-20

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

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.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

The Rev. Emily Williams Guffey

CREED

paraphrase of the Nicene Creed by Timothy Dudley-Smith

Celebrant Let us profess our faith.

All **We believe in God the Father, God almighty,
by whose plan earth and heaven sprang to being, and all created things began.**

**We believe in Christ the Savior, Son of God in human frame,
virgin-born, the child of Mary upon whom the Spirit came.
Christ, who on the cross forsaken, like a lamb to slaughter led,
suffered under Pontius Pilate. He descended to the dead.
We believe in Jesus risen, heaven’s king to rule and reign,
to the Father’s side ascended till as judge he comes again.**

We believe in God the Spirit.

We believe in one Church, below, above:

saints of God in one communion, one in holiness and love.

**So by faith, our sins forgiven, Christ our Savior, Lord and friend,
we shall rise with him in glory to the life that knows no end.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

adapted from *Common Worship*, Church of England

- Reader* Jesus calls us out of darkness into his marvelous light. Let us pray that we may live the life to which he calls us.
Lord Jesus, baptizing us with the Spirit and with fire, strengthen us to grow in courage and hope.
Lord of truth,
People **hear our prayer.**
- Reader* Lord Jesus, eternal Word, hear us as we pray for those who proclaim your word, especially Bonnie our bishop; Emily, David, and Anthony our priests; Chip our deacon, and all who teach, preach, challenge, and encourage.
Lord of truth,
People **hear our prayer.**
- Reader* Lord Jesus, bringing forgiveness to all who repent, teach your Church dependence on your grace.
Lord of truth,
People **hear our prayer.**
- Reader* Lord Jesus, King of kings and Lord of lords, hear us as we pray for our world and our country, especially for Donald our President, Gretchen our governor, Michael our mayor, and all who hold authority.
Lord of truth,
People **hear our prayer.**
- Reader* Lord Jesus, fulfillment of the promises of old, give hope to all who suffer. We pray for **Jocelyn Burrell, Rosalind Clinton, Margie Deeb, David Dieter, Elaine Gregersen, Emily Hill, Cy Matthews, Joe Miller, Gus Mondalek, Pamla Moore, Carl Pfadt, Len St. Jean, Esther Tietz, and Carol Ann Watson.** (*People add names silently or aloud.*)
Lord of truth,
People **hear our prayer.**
- Reader* Lord Jesus, bringer of hope, share with all the faithful the riches of eternal life. We pray for all who have died, especially those we now name. (*People add names silently or aloud.*)
Lord of truth,
People **hear our prayer.**
- Reader* Lord Jesus, beloved Son of the Father, anoint us and shower us with gifts of your Holy Spirit. We pray especially for those celebrating birthdays this week: **Gus Mondalek, Jennifer Goodfellow, Brittany Come, Sylvia Gazoul, Chuck Atwater, Anthony Abdullah, Robert Williams.** (*People add names silently or aloud.*)
Lord of truth,
People **hear our prayer.**
- Celebrant* Lord Jesus Christ, in and through you the Creator makes all things new. Transform our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory. In your holy name we pray.
People **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

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

All **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.**

ABSOLUTION

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.

People **Amen.**

PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vestry Representative

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

BCP 376

Celebrant Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

AT THE PRESENTATION

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord;

People **And of thine own have we given thee.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B

BCP 367

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give 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:

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.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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 in 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All **We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever.

All **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

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

All **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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [*Amen.*] The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [*Amen.*]

All are invited to receive communion. Any who wish to come forward for a blessing rather than communion are invited warmly to do so, indicating such preference by crossing the hands onto opposite shoulders.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BCP 365

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **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.**

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

ASSISTING IN TODAY'S LITURGY

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Rev. Emily Williams Guffey
<i>Deacon</i>	The Rev. Dcn. Chip Dischinger
<i>Lector & Eucharistic Minister</i>	Chris Beck
<i>Usher</i>	Jon Miller
