

# The Second Sunday after the Epiphany



January 17, 2021



# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## OPENING HYMN

Lift every voice and sing

LEVAS 1

1. Lift ev - 'ry voice and sing, Till earth and heav - en  
2. Ston - y the road we trod, Bit - ter the chas - t'ning  
3. God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent

ring, Ring with the har - mo - nies of lib - er -  
rod, Felt in the days when hope un - born had  
tears, Thou who hast brought us thus far on the

ty; Let our re - joic - ing rise High as the lis - t'ning  
died; Yet with a stead - y beat, Have not our wea - ry  
way; Thou who hast by thy might Led us in - to the

skies, Let it re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea.  
feet Come to the place for which our peo - ple sighed?  
light, Keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray.

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;  
 We have come o - ver a way that with tears has been wa - tered;  
 Lest our feet stray from the plac - es, our God, where we met thee;

Sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has  
 We have come, tread - ing our path through the blood of the  
 Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we for -

brought us; Fac - ing the ris - ing sun Of our new  
 slaugh - tered; Out from the gloom - y past, Till now we  
 get thee; Shad - owed be - neath thy hand, May we for -

day be - gun, Let us march on till vic - to - ry is won.  
 stand at last Where the bright gleam of our bright star is cast.  
 ev - er stand, True to our God, true to our na - tive land.

Text: James W. Johnson, 1871-1938  
 Tune: ANTHEM, 66 10 66 10 14 14 66 10; J. Rosamund Johnson, 1873-1954

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Enriching Our Worship*

*Officiant* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

*People* **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

## COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 355

*Officiant* 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.**

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Almighty God, by the hand of Moses your servant you led your people out of slavery, and made them free at last: Grant that your church, following the example of your prophet Martin Luther King, Jr., may resist oppression in the name of your love, and may strive to secure for all your children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*All* **Amen.**

## FIRST READING

1 Samuel 3:1-10

*A skit written by the Rev. Susan Bock*

*Lector* A reading from First Samuel.

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down.

The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him.

The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

The Word of the Lord.

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



- 1 LORD, you have searched me out and known me;  
you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.
- 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places  
and are acquainted with all my ways.
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips,  
but you, O LORD, know it altogether.
- 4 You press upon me behind and before  
and lay your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;  
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- 12 For you yourself created my inmost parts;  
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- 13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made;  
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.
- 14 My body was not hidden from you,  
while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.
- 15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your book;  
they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them.
- 16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God!  
how great is the sum of them!
- 11 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand;  
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

## SECOND READING

*Lector* A reading from Martin Luther King Junior's sermon "Loving Your Enemies", November 17, 1957.

"Another way that you love your enemy is this: When the opportunity presents itself for you to defeat your enemy, that is the time which you must not do it. There will come a time, in many instances, when the person who hates you most, the person who has misused you most, the person who has gossiped about you most, the person who has spread false rumors about you most, there will come a time when you will have an opportunity to defeat that person. It might be in terms of a recommendation for a job; it might be in terms of helping that person to make some move in life. That's the time you must do it. That is the meaning of love. In the final analysis, love is not this sentimental something that we talk about. It's not merely an emotional something. Love is creative, understanding goodwill for all men. It is the refusal to defeat any individual. When you rise to the level of love, of its great beauty and power, you seek only to defeat evil systems. Individuals who happen to be caught up in that system, you love, but you seek to defeat the system.

And this is what Jesus means, I think, in this very passage when he says, "Love your enemy." And it's significant that he does not say, "Like your enemy." Like is a sentimental something, an affectionate something. There are a lot of people that I find it difficult to like. I don't like what they do to me. I don't

like what they say about me and other people. I don't like their attitudes. I don't like some of the things they're doing. I don't like them. But Jesus says love them. And love is greater than like. Love is understanding, redemptive goodwill for all men, so that you love everybody, because God loves them. You refuse to do anything that will defeat an individual, because you have *agape* in your soul. And here you come to the point that you love the individual who does the evil deed, while hating the deed that the person does. This is what Jesus means when he says, "Love your enemy." This is the way to do it. When the opportunity presents itself when you can defeat your enemy, you must not do it.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL

John 1:43-51

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

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

Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth."

Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see."

When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!"

Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?"

Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you."

Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!"

Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these."

And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## HOMILY

*Officiant* Joining with Christians throughout the centuries and throughout the world,  
let us affirm the faith of the Church, saying the Nicene Creed.

*All* **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 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

adapted from *Common Worship*

*Reader* Jesus calls us out of darkness into his marvelous light. Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, baptizing us with the Spirit and with fire,  
strengthen us to grow in 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, Anthony, and David 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, Joe our President-elect, Gretchen our governor, Michael our mayor, and all who hold authority. We pray for peace, safety, and justice.

Lord of truth,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Reader* Lord Jesus, fulfillment of the promises of old, give hope to all who suffer and wait for healing. We pray for *Marie Abdulla, Pat Ald, Sue Barber, Genet Barthwell, Lucy Bergin, Ed Beverly, Tim Cook, David Dieter, Digory, Kate Latham Driscoll, Debbie Faust, Vincent Faust, Grace, Hope Hoffman, Judith, Lauren Keils, Lucinda Keils, JoAnn Kelly, Matthew Klein, Arnold Matthews, Jane McFeely, Jonathon Moon, Paul, Kathleen S., Atticus Schoonover, Marilyn Shably, Kay Smith, Owen Sprague, Gregg Stewart, Len St. Jean, John T., Bobbie Traxler, Sue Urbanski, Mimi Van Scoter, Megan White, Bob Wright*, and those we now name. (*People add names silently or aloud.*)

*Silence*

Lord of truth,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Reader* Lord Jesus, in whose light we see light, welcome into light perpetual those we love but see no longer. We pray for all who have died, especially those we now name.  
(*People add names silently or aloud.*)

*Silence*

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: **Lauren Leney, Sharon Finch, Bill Walker, Mary Herring**, and those we now name. (*People add names silently or aloud.*)

*Silence*

Lord of truth,

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Officiant* 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

BCP 360

*Officiant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*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.**

*Officiant* 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.

*All* **Amen.**

## PEACE

*Officiant* God has made us one in Christ. He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come, has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. (*2 Corinthians 1:22*)

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*The people share with one another signs of Christ's peace.*

## VESTRY GREETING

## OFFERTORY

BCP 377

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

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or by mailing a check to Christ Church Detroit, 960 E. Jefferson Ave., Detroit, 48207.*

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

I Believe This Is Jesus

Spiritual  
arr. Undine Smith Moore

I believe this is Jesus; come and see.  
The light of God shines in his face.  
He offers all his pardoning grace.

## PRESENTATION HYMN

OLD 100TH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B

*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.**

*The Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God 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:

*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.**

*The Celebrant continues*

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 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, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

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

*The Celebrant continues*

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 Father, now and for ever.

*Celebrant and People*

**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

*Common Worship*

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All* **As the grain once scattered in the fields  
and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside  
are now reunited on this table in bread and wine,  
so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together  
from the corners of the earth into your kingdom.  
Amen.**

*The priest does not receive, but begins the Prayer for Spiritual Communion.*

## SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*Common Worship*

*Celebrant* Faithful God, in the wonder of your wisdom and love,  
you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of angels,  
and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life.

*All* **Although we cannot gather in person as a congregation  
and consume these gifts of bread and wine together,  
we thank you that we do receive the sacrament of Christ's presence,  
the forgiveness of sins, and all other benefits of Christ's passion.  
By the power of the Holy Spirit,  
may we embody your desire and be renewed for your service,  
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## CONCLUDING COLLECT

*Celebrant* Lord Jesus, stay with us. Assure us with and revive us in the truth that in you alone, we are  
and always will be one body. Nourish us with solace and strength to be bread for the  
world, and bring us at last to that heavenly banquet, where with the Father and the Holy  
Spirit, you live and reign, one God, for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**

## BLESSING

based on Martin Luther King, Junior's speech, "Some Things We Must Do"  
December 5, 1957

*Celebrant* May God grant you the grace to do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with your God, a  
way, "in which the nations of the world will beat their swords into plowshares, and their  
spears into pruning hooks...a way in which every nation will allow justice to run down like  
waters, and righteousness like a mighty stream...a way in which everyone may stand up in  
the midst of oppression, in the midst of darkness and agony, and love their enemies" until  
we are "free at last"; and may the blessing of the God who creates you, the Son who  
redeems you, and the Spirit that sets you free be with you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

God, give us eyes to see your reign, a slowly growing light  
transfiguring our common world, restoring faith's dim sight.  
Illumine eyes in shadow's gloom where hate and greed hold sway,  
for darkness is as light to you and you make bright our way.

God, give us ears to hear your voice amid the noise of life  
that speaks a word of faith and hope and calms our inner strife.  
Lord, tune our ears to hear the pain of every child that cries,  
who mourns injustice, hate, and war: your voice in human guise.

God, give us hands to do your work, to shape with love and care  
the facets of your peaceful reign for all the world to share.  
Restrain our hands from wasted work that strives for private gain,  
that build up monuments of wealth and add to human pain.

God, give us tongues to praise your works, and voices to proclaim  
the story of redeeming love, the glory of your Name.  
Embolden us to join the sound of tortured cries unheard,  
to call on all to hear your voice, the justice-speaking Word.

God, give us eyes to see your reign and ears to hear your voice,  
strong hands to do your kingdom's work and voices to rejoice—  
that all our senses be employed in yet unfathomed ways  
till work and worship are as one in lives of endless praise.

## DISMISSAL

*Deacon*        Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

## ABOUT THE ART AND MUSIC

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