



EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY
BURNET, TEXAS

JANUARY 24, 2021
THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Hymn 530 *Gott sei Dank*

1 Spread, O spread, thy mighty word,
spread the kingdom of the Lord,
that to earth's remotest bound
all may heed the joyful sound;

2 word of how the Father's will
made the world, and keeps it, still;
how his only Son he gave
earth from sin and death to save;

3 word of how the Savior's love,
earth's sore burden doth remove;
how forever in its need,
through his death the world is freed;

4 word of how the Spirit came
bringing peace in Jesus' name;
how his neverfailing love,
guides us on to heaven above.

5 Word of life, most pure and strong
word for which the nations long,
spread abroad, until from night
all the world awakes to light.

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

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant says

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.*

The following is sung by all (setting is S280 in the hymnal)

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.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and
proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world
may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the
Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A reading from the Book of Jonah (3.1-5,10)

The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, "Get up, go to Nineveh,
that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." So Jonah set out and went
to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large
city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And
he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" And the people of
Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on
sackcloth. When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God
changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and
he did not do it.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 62:6-14 *Nonne Deo?*

6 For God alone my soul in silence waits; * truly, my hope is in him.

7 He alone is my rock and my salvation, * my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.

8 In God is my safety and my honor; * God is my strong rock and my refuge.

9 Put your trust in him always, O people, *

pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.

- 10 Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, *
even those of low estate cannot be trusted.
- 11 On the scales they are lighter than a breath, * all of them together.
- 12 Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride; *
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.
- 13 God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, * that power belongs to God.
- 14 Steadfast love is yours, O Lord, * for you repay everyone according to his deeds.

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Church in Corinth. (7.29-31)

I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 408 *Mit Freuden zart*

1 Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation,
the God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation;
with healing balm my soul he fills, and every faithless murmur stills:
to God all praise and glory.

2 What God's almighty power hath made, his gracious mercy keepeth;
by morning glow or evening shade his watchful eye ne'er sleepeth.
Within the kingdom of his might, lo! all is just and all is right:
to God all praise and glory.

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Mark. (1.14-20)

People Glory to you, Lord Christ

After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news." As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

3 Let all who name Christ's holy Name give God all praise and glory;
let all who know his power proclaim aloud the wondrous story!
Cast each false idol from its throne, the Lord is God, and he alone:
to God all praise and glory.

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The Sermon

The Reverend Michael Long

The Nicene Creed

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.

The Prayers of the People

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Andy, Kai, Jeff, and Hector, our bishops; for
Michael our priest, Jeannie our missionary, and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

Caroline & Brian	John	Allan	Kenyon	Ann
Nancy	James	Sarah	Ginny	Patty
Degeyter family	Morgan	Victoria	Lynne	Lindsey
David	Christian	Carol	Ellie	Glenda
Bailey family	Ed	Judy	Patrick	Tyler
Sid and his family	Bob	Dale	Merle	Shelly
Greg	Karen	Donna	Shereese	Carol
Bonnie & Ed	Leslie	June	Miranda	Gayle
Sherrill	Mollie	Katelyn	Rashunda	RG
Bobbie	George	Dianne	Carolyn	Robyn
Melissa	Jackie	Betty	Donald	Sherry
Women in the Hutto facility	Tom	Leah	William	Alice

And with all who serve in the military, especially

Brian	James	Kevin	Jarrold	Jonathan
Eric	Trever	Chris	Bryan	All in harm's way

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, and especially we pray in thanksgiving with Mathias Montemayor (1/25), Georange Clear (1/27), and Deana Thomas (1/27) who celebrate their birthdays this week.

Silence *The People may add their own thanksgivings*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, especially Kathleen McGannon,, Stacy Alicia Myers Nichols, Carolyn Smith, and all who have died from the coronavirus.

And for their families and friends, and for all who mourn.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence. Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant concludes with this absolution.

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 Celebrant says

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

People and Celebrant

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 Peace

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Blessing

The Celebrant says

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Hymn 539 Tidings

1 O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling, to tell to all the world that God is Light;
that he who made all nations is not willing one soul should fail to know his love and might.
[Refrain: Publish glad tidings: tidings of peace, tidings of Jesus, redemption and release.]

2 Proclaim to every people, tongue, and nation that God, in whom they live and move, is Love;
tell how he stooped to save his lost creation, and died on earth that all might live above. (Refrain)

3 Send heralds forth to bear the message glorious; give of thy wealth to speed them on their way;
pour out thy soul for them in prayer victorious till God shall bring his kingdom's joyful day.
(Refrain)

4 He comes again! O Zion, ere thou meet him, make known to every heart his saving grace;
let none whom he hath ransomed fail to greet him, through thy neglect, unfit to see his face.
(Refrain)

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Dismissal *Celebrant* Let us bless the Lord.
 People Thanks be to God.

Layreaders this morning are Linda and Jim Dyke.

Please stay with us for our Annual Parish Meeting, to follow immediately.

- **LA Care and the Community Kitchen** have ongoing needs. Epiphany maintains the Community Kitchen the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month.
- **Bulletin and E-Star deadlines**—Tuesday, 9 am. Contact Dianne Williams in the parish office with news or updates.