

Be joyful in God, all you lands;
sing the glory of his Name;
sing the glory of his praise.

Episcopal Church of the Epiphany
21st Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 23)
October 13, 2013, 10:30 am

Psalm 66:1-2

We worship today according to the Holy Eucharist: Rite Two,
beginning on page 355 of the Book of Common Prayer.

The Liturgy of the Word

Processional Hymn:

O For a Thousand Tongues.....493

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

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

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.**

Gloria in Excelsis.....S 280

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow
us, that we may continually be given to good works; through
Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the
Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons (the people sit)

The First Lesson – Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7

These are the words of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah
sent from Jerusalem to the remaining elders among the
exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people,
whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem
to Babylon.

Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the
exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to
Babylon: Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and
eat what they produce. Take wives and have sons and
daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters
in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply
there, and do not decrease. But seek the welfare of the city
where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its
behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 66:1-11

Refrain:

**Be joyful in God, all you lands;
sing the glory of his Name;
sing the glory of his praise.**

Be joyful in God, all you lands; *
**sing the glory of his Name;
sing the glory of his praise.**

Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! *
**because of your great strength your enemies
cringe before you.**

All the earth bows down before you, *
sings to you, sings out your Name."

Come now and see the works of God, *
how wonderful he is in his doing toward all people.

He turned the sea into dry land,
so that they went through the water on foot, *
and there we rejoiced in him.

In his might he rules for ever;
his eyes keep watch over the nations; *
let no rebel rise up against him.

Bless our God, you peoples; *
make the voice of his praise to be heard;

Who holds our souls in life, *
and will not allow our feet to slip.

For you, O God, have proved us; *
you have tried us just as silver is tried.

You brought us into the snare; *
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.

You let enemies ride over our heads;
we went through fire and water; *
but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.

Refrain:

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The Epistle - 2 Timothy 2:8-15

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant
of David-- that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even
to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of
God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the
sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation
that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;
if we endure, we will also reign with him;
if we deny him, he will also deny us;
if we are faithless, he remains faithful--
for he cannot deny himself.

Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Sequence – Luke 17:11-19 (the people stand)

Hymn: *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*.....SH-88
Verse 1

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
Glory to You, Lord Christ.

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to You, Lord Christ.

Hymn: *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*.....SH-88
Verses 2-3

Sermon Father Wells

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 (Form II, page 385 of the Book of Common Prayer)

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishops Kee and Santosh; for Wells, our Priest, for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church. (*Silence*)

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.

Pray for justice and peace. (*Silence*)

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison, and those in need of your blessing, including for **Lynda** Denton, **Dot** and **Thurman** Harris, **Charlotte** and **Lannon** Poole, **Pam** Harper, **Dee** Shell, **Greg** Dubay, **Dezsel** Oliver (Kathy Haynie), **Billie** Wilkinson, **Lindsey** Burt (Eddie and Pam Harper), **Kathy** Brumbleloe (Jere and Pam Van Etten), **Oletta** Goodwin, **Sherry** Gritz (Jean Kerr), **Clifford** Flood (Jean Kerr), **Lois** Shytle (Bill Shell), **James** Barnes (Bill Shell), and **Lee** Leahey (Charlotte Poole), **Joe** Wilson (Jean Kerr), **Joe** Ruffner (Cathy Jones), **Janet** Carlisle (Cathy Jones), **Brandon** Boland (Cathy Jones), **Marianne** Frucci (Cathy Jones), **Travis** McKeown (Cathy Jones), **Rip** and **Micah** Palmer (Lavonne Hart), and the others we now name: (*Silence, during which the people offer their own petitions*)

Pray for those in any need or trouble. (*Silence*)

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him. (*Silence*)

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died. (*Silence*)

Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day. (*Silence*)

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin (the people stand or kneel)

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

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 Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Joys and Concerns of the Congregation

The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn: *Now Thank We All Our God*.....397

The Presentation

**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.**

The Great Thanksgiving

(Eucharistic Prayer A, BCP p 361)

(Musical Response in the Hymnal at S 120)

The Lord be with you.

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 him thanks and praise.

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

(Father Wells says or sings a Proper Preface)

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:

Sanctus: *Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord*.....S 130

The people stand or kneel

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:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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.**

And now, as our Savior

Christ has taught us,

we are bold to say,

**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

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

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Fraction Anthem: *O Lamb of God*.....S 157

The gifts of God for the people of God.

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

Communion Hymn: *I Love You, Lord*.....SH-7

After Communion, the people stand or kneel and the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

**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.**

The Blessing

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

Recessional Hymn (*the people stand*):

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven.....410

Have you noticed the store in the Little House? A hearty thank you to Jimmy and Betty Weldon and Sam Jones, who have patched its walls and painted them to match those in the kitchen and bathroom, and just in the nick of time. The store is already filling again with food so we'll be ready for Beans & Rice distribution on October 19!

Serving at Epiphany this week . . .

Ushers: Jimmy and Betty Weldon
Altar Guild: Laura Williams
Lay Readers: Lee Borden
Piano: Caleb Hart

Eucharistic Minister: Tom Bray
Refreshments: Ramona Heil-Norris
Stewards: Maurice and Debra McCord

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