



## **Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**

### **February 4, 2024**

**WELCOME**  
to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

a member of the Central Michigan Episcopal Covenant

#### **St. Andrew's Episcopal Church**

Big Rapids, MI

Seeking every day to love God  
with our whole heart, mind, and soul, and  
to love our neighbors as ourselves.

#### **St. Mary's Episcopal Church**

Cadillac, MI

We strive to live out the Great  
Commandment: To love the Lord with all  
our heart, soul, and mind and to love our  
neighbors as ourselves.

If you have a faith or are seeking one, you are always welcome here.

If you are visiting or looking for a spiritual home,  
we'd love to get to know you.

## MORNING PRAYER, RITE II

**Opening Hymn**     *All stand as able.*

**Hymnal, #537**

### **Opening Sentence**

**Officiant**     I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.     *Isaiah 49:6b*

### **Confession of Sin**

**Officiant**     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.**

**Officiant**     Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

**The Invitatory and Psalter**     *All stand as able.*

**Officiant**     Lord, open our lips.

**People**         **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

**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. Alleluia.**

## **Antiphon**

**All    The Lord has shown forth his glory: Come let us adore him.**

## **The Jubilate**

**All    Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands;  
         serve the Lord with gladness  
         and come before his presence with a song.  
Know this: The Lord himself is God;  
         he himself has made us, and we are his;  
         we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.  
Enter his gates with thanksgiving;  
go into his courts with praise;  
         give thanks to him and call upon his Name.  
For the Lord is good;  
his mercy is everlasting;  
         and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

**The Psalm: Psalm 147:1-12,21c**

**Bulletin Insert**

*At the end of the Psalms all say*

**All    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 Lessons**        *All sit as able. Texts found in the bulletin insert.*

**First Reading**

**Isaiah 40:21-31**

*After the reading:*

**Reader        The Word of the Lord.**

**People        Thanks be to God.**

## First Canticle

## Canticle 13, A Song of Praise

All    Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers;  
          you are worthy of praise; glory to you.  
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;  
          we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.  
Glory to you in the splendor of your temple;  
          on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.  
Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim;  
          we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.  
Glory to you, beholding the depths;  
          in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.  
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;  
          we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

## Second Reading

## 1 Corinthians 9:16-23

*After the reading:*

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

## Second Canticle

## Canticle 17, The Song of Simeon

All    Lord, you now have set your servant free  
          to go in peace as you have promised;  
For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior,  
          whom you have prepared for all the world to see:  
A Light to enlighten the nations,  
          and the glory of your people Israel.  
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.

## Third Reading

Mark 1:29-39

*After the reading:*

**Reader**        **The Word of the Lord.**

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

**Reflection**        *The reflection may be a time of silence, a homily, or reading of a text.*

**The Apostles' Creed**        *Said by all, standing as able.*

**All**        **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was  
conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered  
under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he  
descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended  
into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will  
come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion  
of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the  
life everlasting. Amen.**

## **The Prayers**

*The people stand or kneel as able.*

Officiant      The Lord be with you.

**People      And also with you.**

Officiant      Let us pray.

**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.**

## **Suffrages B**

Officiant      Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

**People      Govern and uphold them, now and always.**

Officiant      Day by day we bless you;

**People      We praise your name for ever.**

Officiant      Lord, keep us from all sin today;

**People      Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.**

Officiant      Lord, show us your love and mercy;

**People      For we put our trust in you.**

Officiant      In you, Lord, is our hope;

**People      And we shall never hope in vain.**

## **The Collect of the Day**

*The officiant prays the collect of the day, found in the bulletin insert.*

## **Hymn at the Prayers**

**Hymnal, #544, v1-3**

## The Prayers of the People

## Form III

Intercessor    Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
**People**        **That we all may be one.**

Intercessor    Grant that every member of the Church may truly  
and humbly serve you;  
**People**        **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Intercessor    We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Skip, our Assisting Bishop;  
Radha, our Rector; our Central Michigan Episcopal Covenant; Camp  
Chickagami/EYC & Plainsong Farms, for all staff, campers & volunteers  
St. John's, Otter Lake - Ministry Team: Joanne. We pray for all those in  
our diocese discerning calls to ministry, both lay and ordained. In  
particular, we pray for those in our dioceses preparing for the Sacred  
Order of Priests, including Barrett, Alex, Matt, Anne Marie, Abraham,  
John, Stephanie, Thon, Jessica, Julianne, Rachel, Cathy, Kathryn, Kris,  
Johnathan, Theresa. We pray also for those in our dioceses preparing  
for the Sacred Order of Deacons, including: Mary, Deb, Laura, Jennifer,  
Christi, Paige. We remember with gratitude the retired clergy of the  
diocese. We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons.  
**People**        **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Intercessor    We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the  
world; especially Joe, our president; Gretchen our governor; Fred, our  
mayor.  
**People**        **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Intercessor    Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
**People**        **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Intercessor We pray for those in the St. Andrew's circle of prayer: Nan, Rob, Jessica, Krystal, Kevin, Kathy, Sharyn, Howie, Stacey & Sally, Judy, Greg;

For those in the St. Mary's circle of prayer: , Josh & Lindsey, Nancy & Pat, Sally, Madi, Larry, Ron & Barb, Shanna, Charlene, DeeDee, Anita & Jim, Teri, Larry, Ron, Shelly, JP, Zack, Fred;

For our family and friends in the armed forces and who are first responders: Richard, Corey, Matt, Teylor, Tony, Kim, Drew, Jon, Sabastian, Noah, Eli, Jess, Owen, Wesley;

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

**People That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Intercessor Give to the departed eternal rest.

**People Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Intercessor We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

**People May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Intercessor Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. *Silence.*

Officiant Hasten, O Father, the coming of your kingdom; and grant that we your servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold your Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**



## The General Thanksgiving

All     Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

## The Celebration of Special Days and Announcements

For a Birthday	BCP 830, #50 or #51
For an Anniversary	BCP 431, first prayer
Travelers	BCP 831, #53

## Closing Hymn

Hymnal, #412, v1-3

## The Dismissal and Concluding Sentence

Officiant	Let us bless the Lord
People	Thanks be to God.

Officiant	May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. <b>Amen.</b>
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Prayer to St. Brigid of Kildare  
*whose feast day was February 1*

Brigid of the Mantle, encompass us,  
Lady of the Lambs, protect us,  
Keeper of the Hearth, kindle us.

Beneath your mantle, gather us,  
And restore us to memory.  
Mothers of our mother,  
Foremothers strong.

Guide our hands in yours,  
Remind us how to kindle the hearth.  
To keep it bright, to preserve the flame.  
Your hands upon ours,  
Our hands within yours,  
To kindle the light,  
Both day and night.

The Mantle of Brigid about us,  
The Memory of Brigid within us,  
The Protection of Brigid keeping us  
From harm, from ignorance, from heartlessness.

This day and night,  
From dawn till dark,  
From dark till dawn.



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St. Brigid

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