



# **The Second Sunday after Epiphany**

## **January 14, 2024**

**WELCOME**

to St. Mary'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 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: 139:1-5, 12-17**

**Bulletin Insert**

*After the Psalm:*

**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**

**Bulletin Insert**

**First Reading**

**1 Samuel 3:1-10, [11-20]**

After the reading:   Reader           Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
                          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 6:12-20**

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

John 1:43-51

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.*

## The Prayers of the People

## *Praying the Scriptures*

Intercessor Sisters and brothers, you were bought with a price. So let us offer ourselves to God, praying “God, you call us; **give us ears to listen.**”

Holy God, you call your Church to share the good news of your love: we pray especially this day for our parish. We ask that you inspire us to do the work you have called us to do. Create in us generous hearts and willing spirits. We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Skip, our Assisting Bishop, Radha, our Rector; our Central Michigan Episcopal Covenant; St. John’s, Midland - Alissa- Priest-in-Charge, St. Thomas, Battle Creek – Kathy, Senior Warden. 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. *Silence*

God, you call us;

**People** **Give us ears to listen.**

Intercessor Holy God, you call the nations to yourself: open our eyes to see the goodness, and respect the dignity, of every human being. May we recognize that your goodness has no boundary or limitation. *Silence*

God, you call us;

**People** **Give us ears to listen.**

Intercessor We pray for those in positions of authority in our country and in the world, especially Joe, our president; Gretchen our governor; Carla, our mayor. *Silence*

God, you call us;

**People** **Give us ears to listen.**

Intercessor God our Savior, you ever remember your promise of mercy. Be merciful to the lonely, despised, sorrowful, and sick. Speak good news into sad hearts; come to the help of the needy

Intercessor Holy God, you call us to care for your creation: your works are wonderful. Open our eyes to the beauty of your world so that we might better tend to our planet. *Silence*

God, you call us;

**People** **Give us ears to listen.**

Intercessor Holy God, you have made our bodies a temple for your Holy Spirit: we pray for all victims of physical and sexual abuse. Heal and glorify broken bodies that, being made whole by your love, they may glorify you. *Silence*

God, you call us;

**People Give us ears to listen.**

Intercessor Holy God, you search us out and know us: comfort and heal the sick and sorrowful that they may know they are not alone. Keep them ever on your mind and in your thoughts. We pray for those in the St. Mary's circle of prayer: Larry & Therese, Janet, Lawson, Josh & Lindsey, Nancy & Pat, Sally, Madi, Larry, Ron & Barb, Shanna, Charlene, DeeDee, Anita & Jim, Terri, Larry, Ron, Shelly, J.P.; For those in the St. Andrew's circle of prayer: Nan, Elizabeth, Robert, Rob, Jessica, Krystal, Kevin, Kathy, Sharyn, Howie; 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; And for all those we name at this time. *Silence*

God, you call us;

**People Give us ears to listen.**

Intercessor Holy God, if we climb up to heaven, you are there; when we make the grave our bed, you are there also. Hold the dead in your heart forever and comfort the living with hope eternal. *Silence*

God, you call us;

**People Give us ears to listen.**



Celebrant O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The General Thanksgiving *Said in unison*

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**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

Pew Card

For an Anniversary

BCP 431, first prayer

Travelers

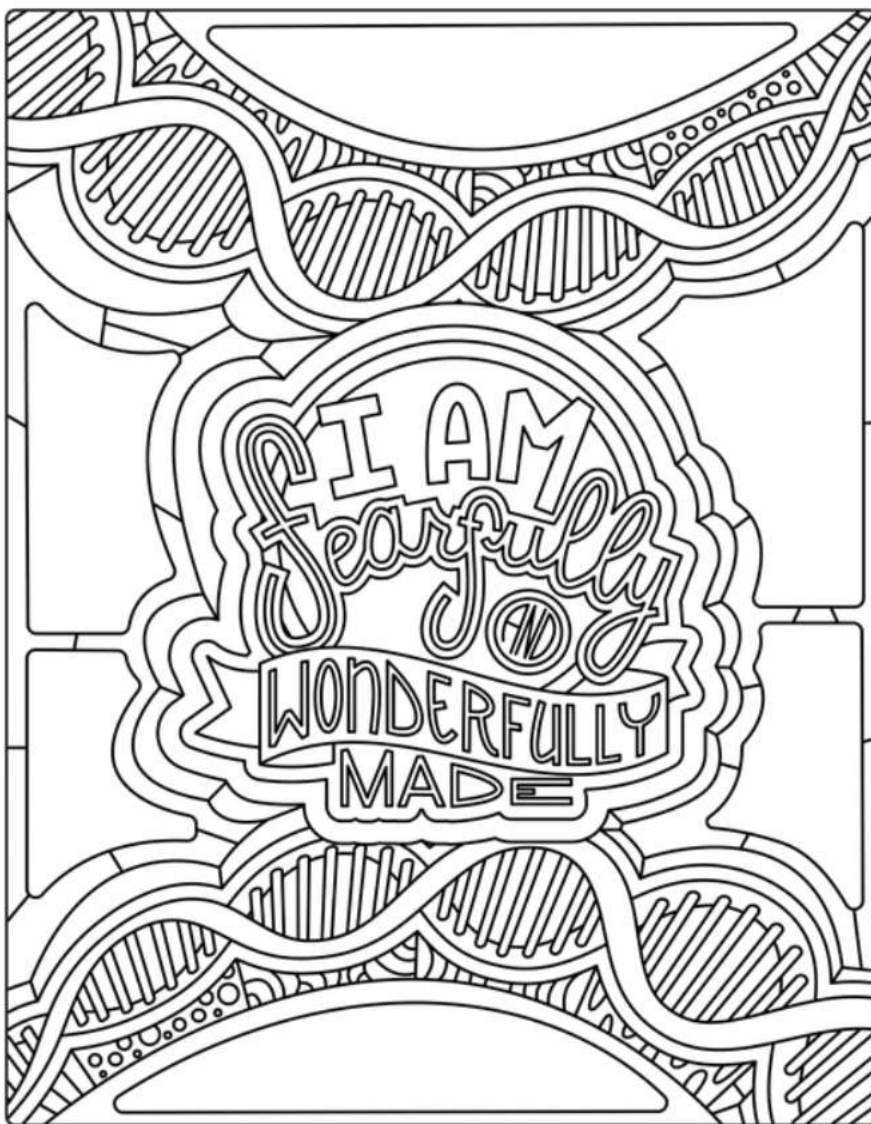
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## **The Dismissal and Concluding Sentence**

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. **Amen.**



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