The Third Sunday After Epiphany

January 22, 2023

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

The officiant opens with a sentence of scripture for the season. **BCP, p. 76**

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.**

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. Alleluia.**

Antiphon

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

The Venite

All **Come, let us sing to the Lord; ***
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
For the Lord is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land.
Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

The Psalm: Psalm 27:1, 5-13 **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 9-1-4**

After the reading:

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

First Canticle **Canticle 11, The Third Song of Isaiah**

All **Arise, shine, for your light has come, ***
and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.
For behold, darkness covers the land; *
deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.
But over you the Lord will rise, *
and his glory will appear upon you.
Nations will stream to your light, *
and kings to the brightness of your dawning.
Your gates will always be open; *
by day or night they will never be shut.
They will call you, The City of the Lord, *
The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.
Violence will no more be heard in your land, *
ruin or destruction within your borders.
You will call your walls, Salvation, *
and all your portals, Praise.
The sun will no more be your light by day; *
by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.

Second Reading **1 Corinthians 1:10-18**

After the reading:

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Second 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.

Third Reading **Matthew 4:12-23**

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 in unison, all standing as able.*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.

He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
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.

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Officiant Show us your mercy, O Lord;
People **And grant us your salvation.**
Officiant Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
People **Let your people sing with joy.**
Officiant Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
People **For only in you can we live in safety.**
Officiant Lord, keep this nation under your care;
People **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**
Officiant Let your way be known upon earth;
People **Your saving health among all nations.**
Officiant Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
People **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**
Officiant Create in us clean hearts, O God;
People **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

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 Friends, in this place, let us behold the fair beauty of our God. With humble hearts let us come before the Lord, saying, "When we call, O Lord, **hearken to our voice."**

God, help your Church. Heal her divisions. Increase her joy. Unite her member that we might hold as our common purpose to proclaim the gospel. We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Prince, our Bishop Provisional; Anne, our Canon Missioner; Radha, our Rector;

our Central Michigan Episcopal Covenant. St. Alban's, Bay City - Nancy, Priest in Charge, St. Mark's, Paw Paw – Russ, Senior Warden St. Philip's, Grand Rapids – Zachariah, Rector. 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 Joe, Barrett, Alex, Matt, and Anne Marie. We pray also for those in our dioceses preparing for the Sacred Order of Deacons, including: Abraham, John, Stephanie, Thon, Jennifer, Justin, Jessica, Julianne, Beckett, Rachel, John, Linda, Cathy, Dell, Theresa. We remember with gratitude the retired clergy of the diocese. *Silence*
When we call, O Lord,

People **Hearken to our voice.**

Intercessor God, help this nation and the world. Where there are heavy burdens, where oppression reigns, show the strength of your arm and set your people free. We long for the coming of your kingdom. We pray for those in positions of authority in our country and in the world, especially Joe, our president; Gretchen our govenor; Carla, our mayor. *Silence*
When we call, O Lord,

People **Hearken to our voice.**

Intercessor God, help your creation. You make glorious the way of the sea; you bring us joy at the harvest. Teach us to live in harmony with all you have made. *Silence*
When we call, O Lord,

People **Hearken to our voice.**

Intercessor God, help our city. May your great light drive away all of the shadows that darken our region. Even now, lift up the heads of the downcast.
Silence
When we call, O Lord,

People **Hearken to our voice.**

Intercessor God, help the sick and the suffering. Do not forsake them but show yourself to be in strength of their lives and their salvation. By the power of Jesus, heal every disease and sickness among the people. We pray for those in the St. Mary's circle of prayer: Heather & Lonnie & Family, Lorie, Reggie, Linda, Anne & Steve, Cindy, Larry, Lisa, Lorie, Deliala, Norm, Jerry, Ken; For those in the St. Andrew's circle of prayer: Nan, Ollie, Sharyn, Susie, Marty, Rachel, & Doug, Jill, Shelley, Raymond & Carolyn, Carlson Family, Barbara, Nogah, Coleen;
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*
When we call, O Lord,

People **Hearken to our voice.**

Intercessor God, help the dying and the dead. Hide them in the secrecy of your dwelling. May all those being saved say with boldness, "I belong to Christ forever." *Silence*
When we call, O Lord,

People **Hearken to our voice.**

Officiant All these things we have spoken, and those which we name in the silence of our hearts, we pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord who with you and the Holy Spirit are one God, forever and ever. **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	Pew Card
For an Anniversary	BCP 431, first prayer
Travelers	BCP 831, #53

The Dismissal and Concluding Sentence

Officiant Let us bless the Lord

People **Thanks be to God.**
Alleluia. Alleluia. Amen. Amen.

Officiant Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. Amen.

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