



Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany
February 10, 2019 11:30 AM
Morning Prayer Rite I

Welcome and Christ's grace and peace be with you. May He inspire our worship and empower our witness to the world.

Prelude Amazing Grace J. N. White

The Procession Hymn 362 Holy, holy, holy *Nicaea*

Officiant
Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.
Philippians 1:2

I will give thee for a light to the Gentiles, that thou mayest be my salvation unto the end of the earth.

Isaiah 49:6b
O send out thy light and thy truth, that they may lead me, and bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy dwelling. *Psalms 43:3*

Confession of Sins BCP 41

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.
Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People together, all kneeling

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare thou those who confess their faults, restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

Officiant continues
The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Invitatory and Psalter BCP 42

All stand
Officiant O Lord, open thou our lips.

People **And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.**
Officiant and People

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.

Venite, S-35 Jack Noble White

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!



Altar Flowers

The flowers on the Altar of the Little Church are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Mary Lucy McKnight Hirs.

The flowers on the Altar of the Church are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of James "Jake" Keno, Joan Burns Huffstutler, and James Keno "Ken" Huffstutler, Jr. by their family.

The flowers in the Narthex of the Church are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of Sarah Elizabeth Jeffries and Bryant Jacob Coker.



PARTICIPANTS

CELEBRANTS The Reverend John H. Riggan, *Rector*
The Reverend Reuben L. Rockwell, IV, *Curate*

LECTORS Sarah Whitfield, Brad Clark

ACOLYTE ADVISOR Ann Marie Russell

ACOLYTES Ryan Mackin

USHERS Chellie & Brad Clark

ORGANIST Peggy Lyden

Please feel free to take this bulletin home.

DIOCESAN CONVENTION - FEBRUARY 14-16

This year our annual Diocesan Convention will be hosted by St. James Episcopal Church in Fairhope, Alabama. We'll convene with an opening eucharist on Thursday night, and business sessions will begin the following morning. After lunch on Friday, we'll break for a conversation about our "Life Together" as we continue to prepare for the fiftieth anniversary celebration of our diocese.

This year the representatives from our parish are the following people: Mike Ballard, Brad Clark, Bob Donnell, Cynthia Donnell, Lydia Johnson, Pratt Paterson, the Reverend John Riggan, and the Reverend Ben Rockwell. If you see any of them around, please thank them for their service and pray for them, for our bishop, and for our diocese as we prepare for this event.

WHEEL A MEAL needs a driver for every other Friday. Please contact Les Stuart - 251-455-8182 or les.stuart@comcast.net.

GUILDS

Mr. Blair Fisher, headmaster at St. Paul's Episcopal School, will be speaker at **St. Margaret's Guild** meeting Monday, February 11 in the parlor at 10:30 am. Helen Brown will introduce the speaker. Dodie Matthews and Cille Badger are hostesses. Visitors are invited.

A Collect for Recovery from Sickness

O God, the strength of the weak and the comfort of sufferers: Mercifully accept our prayers, and grant to your servant *N.* the help of your power, that *his* sickness maybe turned into health, and our sorrow into joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Eternal Life

O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of your servant *N.*, and grant *him* an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of your saints; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People
Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable 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 beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication unto thee, and hast promised through thy well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name thou wilt be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**
Officiant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**
2 Corinthians 13:14

Welcome and announcements

The Offertory There is a balm in Gilead W. Dawson
Teri Williams, soloist

At The Presentation The Doxology *Old Hundredth*
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. Amen

Hymn 717 (verse 4 only) "Our father's God to thee" *America*

Our fathers God to thee, author of liberty, to thee we sing; long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light; protect us by thy might, great God, our King. Amen

The Recession, Hymn 528 Lord you give the great commission Hyfrydol

The Dismissal

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

Postlude Flourish on Ode to Joy J. N. White

The Lessons

First Lesson: Isaiah 6:1-8, [9-13]

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said:

"Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!" [And he said, "Go and say to this people:

`Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand.'

Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes,

so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears,

and comprehend with their minds, and turn and be healed."

Then I said, "How long, O Lord?" And he said:

"Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is utterly desolate; until the Lord sends everyone far away, and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land.

Even if a tenth part remain in it, it will be burned again,

like a terebinth or an oak whose stump remains standing when it is felled."

The holy seed is its stump.]

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

Psalm 138 from BCP *Read responsively by whole verse*

Confitebor tibi

1 I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; * before the gods I will sing your praise.

2 I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, * because of your love and faithfulness;

3 For you have glorified your Name * and your word above all things.

4 When I called, you answered me; * you increased my strength within me.

5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, * when they have heard the words of your mouth.

6 They will sing of the ways of the Lord, * that great is the glory of the Lord.

7 Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; * he perceives the haughty from afar.

8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; * you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

9 The Lord will make good his purpose for me; *

O Lord, your love endures for ever;

do not abandon the works of your hands.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be fore ever. Amen.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you--unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them--though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

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

Canticle 9 The First Song of Isaiah

Jack Noble White

Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid. For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and he will be my Savior.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing from the springs of salvation. And on that day you shall say, Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name.

Make his deeds known among the peoples; see that they remember that his Name is exalted. Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, and this is known in all the world.

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of 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 forever. Amen.

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The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him. And he rolled up

the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

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

Sermon Hymn 686 Come, thou fount of every blessing

Nettleton

The Sermon

The Rev. John Riffin

The Apostles’ Creed

BCP 53

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers

BCP 54

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant and People

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.

Suffrage A

V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;
R. **And grant us thy salvation.**
V. Endue thy ministers with righteousness;
R. **And make thy chosen people joyful.**
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. **For only in thee can we live in safety.**
V. Lord, keep this nation under thy care;
R. **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**
V. Let thy way be known upon earth;
R. **Thy saving health among all nations.**
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. **And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.**

The Collect of the Day

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Collect for Peace

O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us, thy humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Grace

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that we, being ordered by thy governance, may do always what is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Mission

Lord Jesus Christ, who didst stretch out thine arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of thy saving embrace: So clothe us in thy Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know thee to the knowledge and love of thee; for the honor of thy Name. **Amen.**