

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
January 24, 2021, 10:00 a.m.



This morning we welcome all the Senior Wardens from Rev. Paula's tenure as Rector of St. Francis, who will be taking part in our service.

Fabrizio Pelá—January 2015 – January 2016
Jennifer Sams—January 2016 – January 2018, (two terms)
Tim Coleman—January 2018 – January 2019
Tina van der Velden—January 2019 –January 2020
Susan Ferme—January 2020–January 2021

The Word of God

Prelude: Offrande

Flor Peeters

The Processional Hymn

We Gather Together

vv. 1 & 2
Kremser

We gath - er to - geth - er to ask the Lord's bless - ing; he
Be - side us to guide us, our God with us join - ing, or -
5 chas - tens and has - tens his will to make known; the wick - ed op -
dain - ing, main - tain - ing his king - dom di - vine; so from the be -
10 press - ing now cease from dis - tress - ing; sing prais - es to his
gin - ning the fight we were win - ning: thou, Lord wast at our
14 Name; he for - gets not his own.
side; all glo - ry be thine!

The Opening Acclamation

† Celebrant Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord.
People Peace in heaven and glory in the highest. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant Let us pray.
All 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.

Celebrant: The Very Rev. Paula Vukmanic
Preachers: Susan Ferme and Jennifer Sams
Deacon: The Rev. Jude Lyons

Please join in saying,

The Gloria

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray. Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Reader: *Tim Coleman*

1st Reader A Reading from the Book of the prophet Jonah.

The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, "Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

1st Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

The Response Psalm 62:6-14, *Nonne Deo?*

Leader: *Fabrizio Pelá*

- 6 For God alone my soul in silence waits; *
truly, my hope is in him.**
- 7 He alone is my rock and my salvation, *
my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.**
- 8 In God is my safety and my honor; *
God is my strong rock and my refuge.**
- 9 Put your trust in him always, O people, *
pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.**
- 10 Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, *
even those of low estate cannot be trusted.**
- 11 On the scales they are lighter than a breath, *
all of them together.**

- 12 Put no trust in extortion;
in robbery take no empty pride; *
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.
- 13 God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, *
that power belongs to God.
- 14 Steadfast love is yours, O Lord, *
for you repay everyone according to his deeds.

The Holy Gospel Mark 1:14-20

† Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea — for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

† The Sermon

Susan Ferme; Jennifer Sams

There will be a moment of silence for reflection following the sermon.

The Nicene Creed

Leader: *Tina van der Velden*

(Updated from The Book of Common Prayer addendum, Enriching our Worship I)

All 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became fully human.

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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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

The People join in reading the words in bold.

During this season of Epiphany we proclaim, "Arise, shine for your light has come!". O God of Light, we are ready for you to light our way that we might lead others to knowledge and love of you.

Shine in your church, O God; embolden us to speak truthfully and to act with the courage of love.

This day and always, **Christ, be our light.**

Shine in our nation, O God: help us appreciate the land, liberties and heritage we have received. Protect us from discord, confusion, arrogance, and evil. Anoint with wisdom those to whom we entrust the authority of government. This day and always, **Christ, be our light.**

Shine in your world, O God: heal the warring of nations and the wounding of the earth. Give all religious and secular leaders eyes to see and hearts to follow the way of justice and peace. This day and always, **Christ, be our light.**

Shine in your people, O God; make us one human family with compassion for all, with dignity for every human being and to be a welcoming presence for the stranger and refugee. This day and always, **Christ, be our light.**

Shine in those who serve in the troubled places of our world, O God; we ask your protection for our first responders and for those who serve the cause of justice in the armed and foreign services, and their families, especially Drew Deley, Michael Herredia, Mark Kappelmann, Maia and Tom Lainis, Will Piepenbring, Scott Ruston, Michael Strong, Jonathan Zimmerman and Steve.

This day and always, **Christ, be our light.**

Shine, O God, in the helpless and the homeless, the unemployed and the underemployed, and be the deliverer of those in distress: bless and heal all in need, especially Andrea, Barbara, Bob and Jane Africano, Claudia, Darlene Endquist, Ceri Falk, Ann Godfrey, Frances Hailwood, Ashley Hawn, Sally Hill, Gale Lovrich, the Miles family, Molly, Marjorie Morris, Karla Nicole, Lisa Rieger, Bruce Schaefer, Anne Sharp, and for those we name to you now...

(please add your own prayers silently or aloud).

This day and always, **Christ, be our light.**

Shine in all our departed saints, O God: teach us to follow their witness of faith and unite us again with all who have gone before us, especially Martha Bragg, and all those we name to you now...

(Please add your own prayers silently or aloud).

This day and always, **Christ, be our light.**

Let us pray together:

O Divine Light, you are the Light that transforms. Sometimes we look to you to be a neon sign hoping for easy answers to our problems in the moments when our lives are most dim. Your Presence reminds us that we embody your light. Let us shine your Light into the world that surrounds us through Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.

The Confession of Sin

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

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.

✠ Celebrant 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

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

Anthem

God Be In My Head

Hymn #694

*God be in my head, and in my understanding;
God be in mine eyes, and in my looking;
God be in my mouth, and in my speaking;
God be in my heart, and in my thinking;
God be at mine end, and at my departing.*

Singers: Kirsten Goulde, Jill Lynch, Lloyd Mistele, Susan Tsuji

The Offertory Prayers

Celebrant Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; through your goodness we have this bread and wine to offer, which the earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the Bread of Heaven and the Cup of Salvation.

People Blessed be God forever.

Celebrant Receive, O Lord, these gifts presented by your holy people for the work of your holy Church.

People Blessed be God forever.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God 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. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your son Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Glory be to you, O Lord most high.

Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

*We will read the remainder of the Eucharistic Prayer responsively, with the People reading the parts in **Bold**.*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant.

✠ **Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.**

In the fullness of time, put all things under the influence of your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with **St Francis and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation**, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN**

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All 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.

Invitation To Pray Together The Spiritual Communion Prayer From The National Cathedral

A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.

Celebrant Let us pray together

All My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

(St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

The Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All 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.

Celebrant Let us say together our Mission Statement:

All We welcome everyone to worship God together, to be transformed by the Holy Spirit and each other, and to share the light of Christ in the world. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant May Christ our Lord, to whom kings bowed down in worship and offered gifts, reveal to you the light of his glory and pour upon you the riches of his grace; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

The Sending Forth

Deacon Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God!**

The Closing Hymn

Ubi caritas

Hymn #606

Antiphon, v.1, Antiphon, v. 3, Antiphon

Antiphon

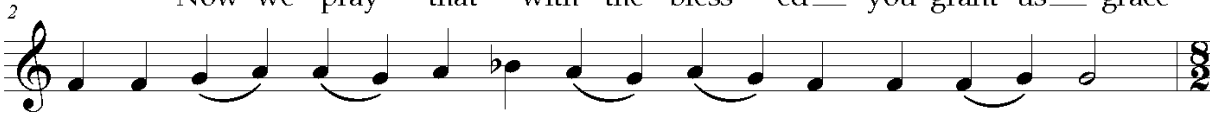


Where true char - i - ty and love dwell, God him-self is there.

Vv 1 & 3



Since the love of Christ has joined us in one body,
Now we pray that with the blessed you grant us grace



let us all rejoice and be glad now and always.
to see your exalted glory, O Christ our God,



And as we hear and love our Lord, the living God,
our bound-less source of joy and truth, of peace and love,



so let us in sincerity love all people.
for ever and for ever more, world without end.

Postlude: Cortege

Flor Peeters