St. Luke's Table

FOURTH SUNDAY After EPIPHANY

Jesus went about Galilee, teaching, preaching, and healing every disease. See Matthew 4.23



Jesus Teaches in the Temple, Amiens Cathedral Amiens, France

Welcome and Good Morning!

Morning Prayer, from the Book of Alternative Services, with Art from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Jean and Alexander Heard Library Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN.

Leading and

Prayers of the People: Reverend Bill MacDonald

Reflection: Postulant Jerry Cavanaugh

Musicians: Donnie and Carol Webb

Scripture Readers: Gary Simms and Brenda Munro

IT Specialist: Brandon Bremner

The Gathering of the Community

The Penitential Rite

(Psalm 51.18)

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit: a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Seek the Lord while he wills to be found, call upon him when he draws near; let the wicked forsake their ways, and the evil ones their thoughts; and let them return to the Lord, and he will have compassion, and to our God, for he will richly pardon. (Isaiah 55.6, 7)

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1.8, 9)

Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy. 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 neighbours 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.

Almighty God have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Opening Hymn:

When Morning Gilds The Skies



Ullswater, early morning, Glover, John, 1767-1849

Lord, open our lips,

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

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 Invitatory

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: O come, let us worship.

<u>Jubilate</u>, (alternating verses)

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 Proclamation of the Word

First Reading:

Deuteronomy 18: 15-20



Christ Mosaic, Record number: [57444]

Psalm 111, (alternating verses)

Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the deeds of the Lord! they are studied by all who delight in them.

His work is full of majesty and splendour, and his righteousness endures for ever.

He makes his marvellous works to be remembered; the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

He gives food to those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant.

He has shown his people the power of his works in giving them the lands of the nations.

The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; all his commandments are sure.

They stand fast for ever and ever, because they are done in truth and equity.

He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever; holy and awesome is his name.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures for ever.

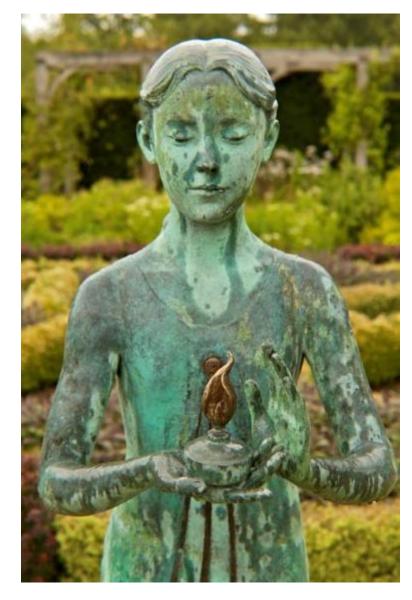
Generous and bountiful God, give us grace always to thank you and share your gifts with others, that the world may be filled with the joy of our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 8: 1-13



"Home, Love, Faith, Hope, Peace" Mural, Philadelphia Avenue, Takoma Park, MD

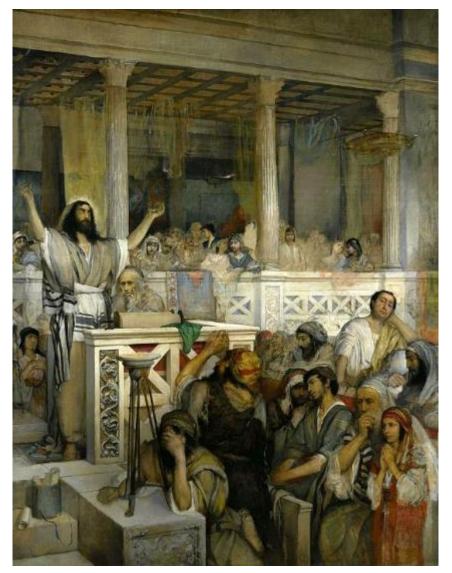
<u>Gradual Hymn</u> Let There Be Light



Lamp of Wisdom, Waterperry Gardens
Oxfordshire, England

The Good News

The Gospel of Christ according to Mark 1: 21-28



Christ Preaching at Capernaum, Maurycy Gottlieb National Museum, Warsaw, Poland

Reflection



The Hand, Jim Fauntleroy Carnegie Library, Washington, DC

Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed

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.

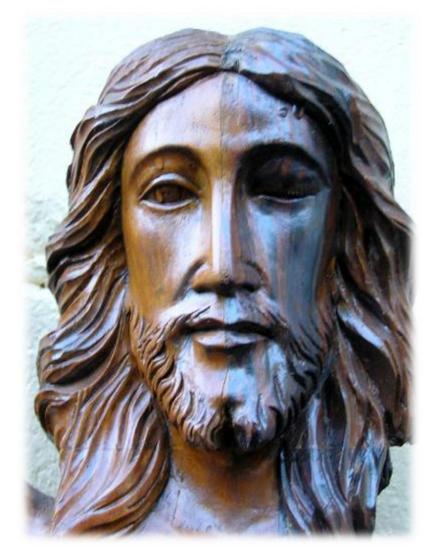
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People



Healing the Sick, Henn, Ulrich

Offertory Hymn Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun



Christ Crucified and Risen, Record number: [56938]

Prayer over the Gifts

God of steadfast love, may our offering this day, by the power of your Holy Spirit, renew us for your service.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Living God, in Christ you make all things new. Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Prayer for Parish Discernment

Almighty and everlasting God, let your Holy Spirit, source of wisdom and understanding, be present with us in this work, and in the months ahead. Bless us Lord, enlighten our minds. Teach us in all things to seek first your honor and glory.

Guide us to perceive your will in our efforts, grant us the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, in unity with the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers for Parish Governance

Heavenly Father, You have chosen us to be your beloved people, and have gathered us to live in this parish. Be with us as we prepare for our Annual General Meeting. We ask for your blessing on those who serve you on Council in word, worship, and work.

Be with and bless those called to serve on Council for another year. And, be with those discerning a call to join and share their time, talents and treasures.

Guide their activities by the light of your Spirit, and help them to work for your honour and glory and for the benefit of all your people. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to 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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia.

Thanks be to God, Alleluia.

Closing Hymn

Lord, the Light of Your Love is Shining



God's Shining Face, Millereau, George

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