

The Third Sunday after the Epiphany
January 24, 2021



St. Peter's Episcopal Church
Lakewood, Ohio

*The livestream begins at 9:15 a.m., and the service at 9:30 a.m.
The service can be found on the Saint Peter's YouTube page at:
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5r-XEvAg8xKiEl2jnl_s7g*

The priest will offer a few announcements.

Voluntary

Largo and Fugue in C

William Boyce

1710-1779

The Liturgy of the Word

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen

Celebrant and People

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 and people pray

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.

Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

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 Lessons *The people sit*

Lector A reading from the Book of 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. (*Jonah 3:1-5, 10*)

 The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The appointed Psalm will be recited by everyone in unison.

Psalm 62

- 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.

Lector A reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians

I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away. (*I Corinthians 7:29-31*)

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

A moment of silent reflection follows.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now 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. (*Mark 1:14-20*)

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. John Keller

The Nicene Creed

Let us proclaim our faith together

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:

by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the

Virgin Mary and was made man.

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 and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, have mercy.”

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy church of God, and for the unity of all people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for Mark and Arthur our Bishops, for John, our supply priest for all clergy, for our Vestry and all people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our president, Joe, for the leaders of the nations, for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this city of Lakewood, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For _____, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our annual meeting today, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all whose lives have been devastated by the Covid pandemic and for those who labor to bring healing, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Peter and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Silence

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help is to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Confession and Absolution

Celebration: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

Silence for prayer

All pray together:

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.

Celebrant The Peace of Christ be always with you

People And also with you

At the Offertory 521 *Put forth, O God thy Spirit's might* Chelsea Square

1 Put forth, O God, thy Spirit's might
and bid thy Church increase,
in breadth and length, in depth and height,
her unity and peace.

2 Let works of darkness disappear
before thy conquering light;
let hatred and tormenting fear
pass with the passing night.

3 Let what apostles learned of thee
be ours from age to age;
their steadfast faith our unity,
their peace our heritage.

4 O Judge divine of human strife!
O Vanquisher of pain!
To know thee is eternal life,
to serve thee is to reign.

Howard Chandler Robbins, 1876-1952

The Liturgy of the Table

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

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 him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

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:

Celebrant and People together pray:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

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 in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where with 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.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

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

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,
forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

The Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Celebrant Let us pray together.

O Lamb of God, in union with the faithful at every altar of your Church, my heart offers you praise and thanksgiving. I love you above all things, and I earnestly desire to receive you into my soul. And although I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I invite you into my heart spiritually. May my soul be fed by this spiritual food, and may my heart know you more dearly in the breaking of this bread. Amen.

The priest now partakes of the Sacrament on behalf of the dispersed community

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Lord Jesus Christ, giver of the Eucharistic Feast, we thank you for gathering us as your people. We call to remembrance the many times we have been fed at your table and we lament our distance now. Be present to us, Lord Jesus, as you were present with your disciples in the breaking of the bread. May your Holy Spirit sustain us and all your Church in our ministries until we can gather together again in your sanctuary. We ask this for the sake of your love. Amen.

The Celebrant will pray a blessing, then send the congregation into the world

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

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Jesus Christ, our Savior

J. S. Bach
1685-1750

The live stream will end when the Postlude concludes.

For pastoral emergencies, please contact the office at 216-226-1772 or the Rev. John Keller at 440-356-7138. Also, if you would like to put someone on the prayer list, please contact the office at office@stpeterslakewood.org.