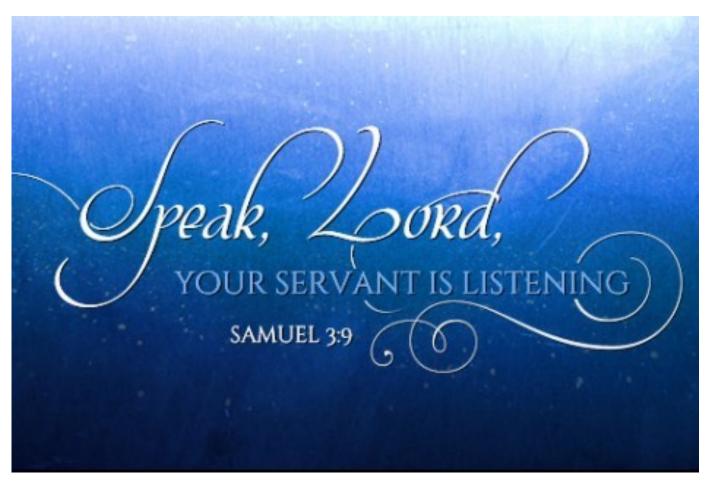
THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY



Sunday, January 17, 2021 10:00 AM

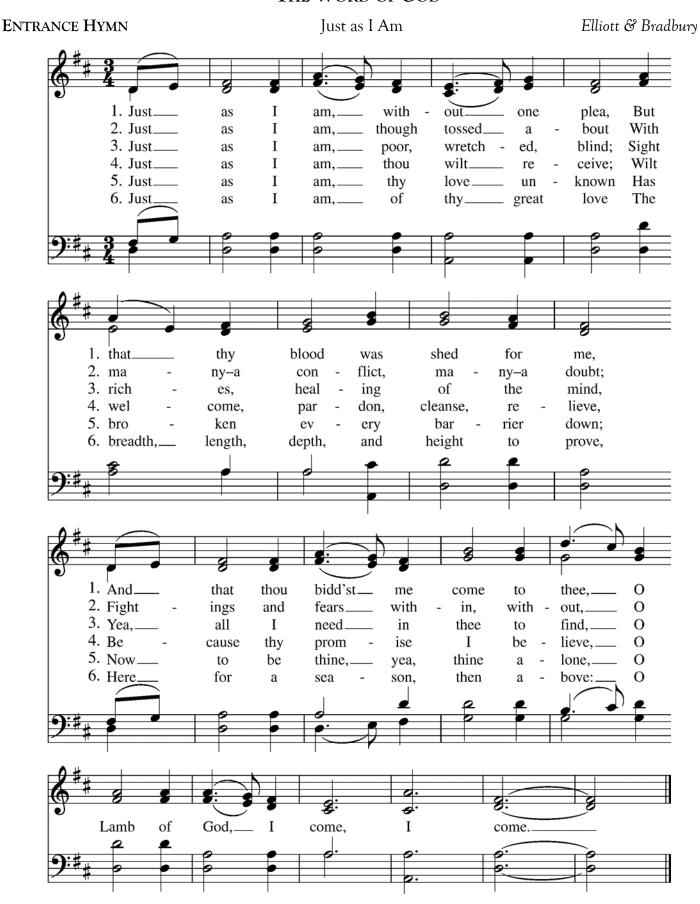
ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

FORT ATKINSON, WISCONSIN

CELEBRANT: MOTHER MINDY VALENTINE DAVIS LECTOR: TERRIE KNOX

MUSIC DIRECTOR: SHAWN WERNER VIDEO TECHNICIAN: BRECK MCHENRY

THE WORD OF GOD



OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the Celebrant says

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Celebrant says

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*.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Praise to the Lord, The Almighty vss. 1, 4

Lobe den Herren

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation: join the great throng, psaltery, organ, and song, sounding in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him! All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him! Let the amen sound from his people again; gladly for ever adore him.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE LESSONS

FIRST READING 1 Samuel 3:1-20

The people sit.

Reader A Reading from the first Book of Samuel

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening." So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." Then the Lord said to Samuel, "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever."

Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the Lord. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." He said, "Here I am." Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, "It is the Lord; let him do what seems good to him."

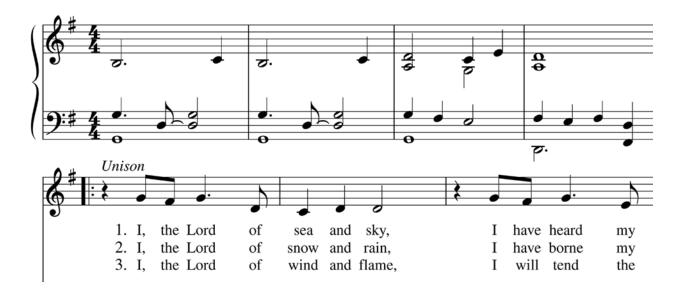
As Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the Lord.

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

GRADUAL HYMN

I, The Lord of Sea and Sky

Schutte





SECOND LESSON 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Reader A Reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

"All things are lawful for me," but not all things are beneficial. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food," and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, "The two shall be one flesh." But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

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

THE PSALM APPOINTED

Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17

Domine, probasti

¹ Lord, you have searched me out and known me; * you know my sitting down and my rising up; You discern my thoughts from afar.

² You trace my journeys and my resting-places * and are acquainted with all my ways.

³ Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, * but you, O Lord, know it altogether.

⁴ You press upon me behind and before * and lay your hand upon me.

⁵ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; * it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

¹² For you yourself created my inmost parts; * you knit me together in my mother's womb.

¹³I will thank you because I am marvelously made; * your works are wonderful, and I know it well.

¹⁴ My body was not hidden from you, * while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.

¹⁵ Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your book; * they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them.

How deep I find your thoughts, O God! * how great is the sum of them!

¹⁷ If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; * to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

THE GOSPEL John 1:43-51

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of Our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to You, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

Mother Mindy Valentine Davis





THE NICENE CREED

Said in unison.

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

Leader Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray especially for all those who are sick with the virus. May they have access to medical care and regain their strength and health; grant them your healing grace. Give strength to all who are caring for loved ones.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Strengthen and equip all healthcare workers and essential workers, who with hearts of service stand on the front lines, providing care and maintaining the systems that sustain us all. Grant them courage and protection.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen*.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

People and Celebrant

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.

BLESSING

The Priest blesses the people, saying

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen*.

DISMISSAL

Officiant Let us go forth in the name of the manifest Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

I have decided to follow Jesus

Indian Folk Melody

³ The world behind me, the cross before me; the world behind me, the cross before me, the world behind me, the cross before me; no turning back, no turning back.

¹ I have decided to follow Jesus; I have decided to follow Jesus; I have decided to follow Jesus; no turning back, no turning back.

² Though none join me, still I will follow; though none join me, still I will follow; though none join me, still I will follow; no turning back, no turning back.

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK:

Tuesday, January 19

6:00 PM Screwtape Letters Book Study on Zoom

Wednesday, January 20

6:00 PM Vestry Meeting via Zoom

Sunday, January 24

10:00 AM Sunday Virtual Service on YouTube 5:00 PM Evening Prayer Premiere on YouTube

PRAYERS

- Parishioner Cycle of Prayer Scott and Judy Fernhaber.
- In our Ministry Rotation we pray for our Vestry. May they be blessed (and thanked!) for all the extra time they are serving.
- Happy birthday to Tim Marx, James Mode, Duncan Osgood and Randy Ridout!
- For those who are sick: Kitty Martin, Jerry Swanson, Jack Schark, Bev Wille, Marilou Haight

To add someone to the parish prayer list, please e-mail the office at: office@stpetersfort.org, or contact Eda Wilson, our prayer net coordinator, edesw2@gmail.com. If you someone you know and love has Covid-19 we would like to pray for them. Please email Eda and she will add their name to the prayer list.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Annual Meeting, Sunday January 31 We will be sending out information regarding how you can participate via Zoom. We will have the list of Vestry Positions and the proposed new Vestry Members to vote on. You will be given the opportunity to Vote with an absentee Ballot or by Proxy if you are not able to attend via Zoom or phone. Please R.S.V.P. to the office by phone or email.
- Vestry Meeting, Wednesday, January 20 at 6:00 PM. If you wish to receive the Zoom link or the Phone dial in number, please call or email the Parish office.
- Offering Envelopes are now available to be picked up. If you call ahead during office hours we can have your outside on the bench or just inside the door for "no contact pick up". You can also request for yours to be mailed to you.
- We are joining Trinity Lutheran Church in collecting toothbrushes during January for the Food Pantry. This is a great opportunity to support the work of our brothers and sisters in Christ and our neighbors. Toothbrushes can be dropped off here at the church with "no contact" and we will deliver them to Trinity. Thank You!