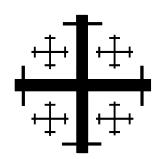
Epiphany V

4 February 2024 9:30 am





The Liturgy at Calvary

In Isaiah the one God who sits above the earth and numbers the stars also strengthens the powerless. So in Jesus' healing work we see the hand of the creator God, lifting up the sick woman to health and service -from

(diakonia *Greek*, "to serve"). Like Simon's mother-in-law, we are lifted up and healed to serve. Following Jesus, we strengthen the powerless; like Jesus, we seek to renew our own strength in quiet times of prayer.

Prelude My Lord What a Morning Handbell Choir arr. John A. Behnke (1986-2015)

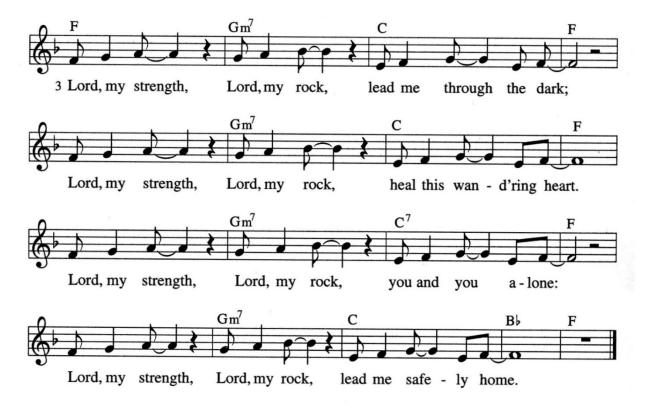


L "Why do you say and complain, "My way is hidden from the LORD; my cause is disregarded by my God"? Do you not know? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom" (Isaiah 40:27-28). Let us confess the words and actions which indicate our lack of trust in the God who is concerned with our cause.

Silence is kept for confession and reflection

- L O God
- C "When my spirit grows faint within me, it is you who know my way. Listen to my cry, for I am in desperate need; set me free from my prison, that I may praise your name" (Psalm 147:3, 6-7).
- L "God gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint" (Isaiah 40:29-31).

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Apostolic Greeting

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

 the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

Kyrie Eleison [*Greek*, Lord, Have Mercy]

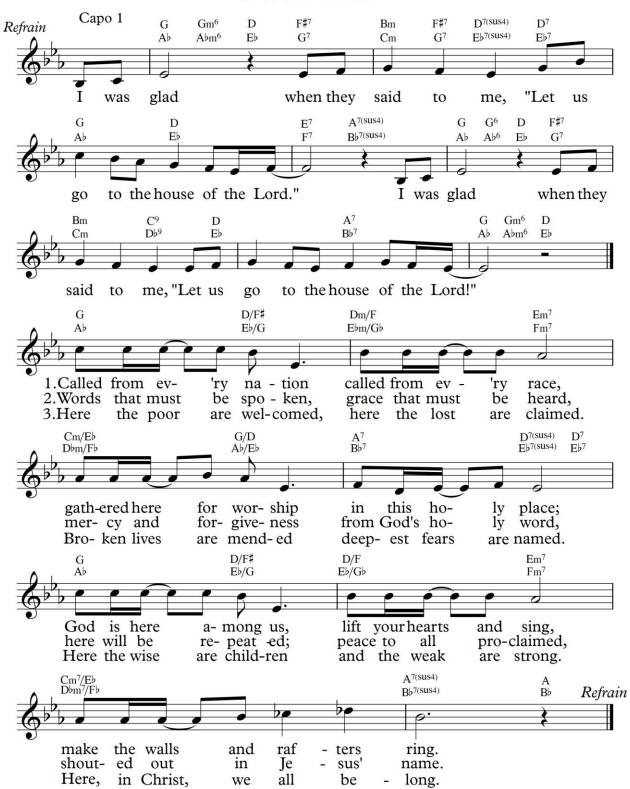


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Canticle of Praise

I Was Glad



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Prayer of the Day

- P The Lord be with you
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray...
 Everlasting God, you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

First Reading Isaiah 40:21-31

- ²¹Have you not known? Have you not heard?
 Has it not been told you from the beginning?
 Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?

 ²²It is he who sits above the circle of the earth,
 and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers;
 who stretches out the heavens like a curtain,
 and spreads them like a tent to live in;

 ²³who brings princes to naught,
 and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing.

 ²⁴Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown,
- ²⁴Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble.
- ²⁵To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One.
- ²⁶Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these?

He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name;

because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing.

²⁷Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel,

"My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"?

²⁸Have you not known? Have you not heard?

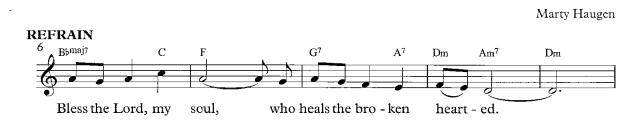
The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.

- ²⁹He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless.
- ³⁰Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted;
- 31but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

L The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God

Psalm 147 Cantor/Choir sings refrain; all echo & sing ff. verses



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- 1. Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem, chant praises to your God. The strength of God is your fortress sure, and blessed are your children. All praise to you, O gracious God, your goodness fills the earth. You raise a new Jerusalem, and gather all your lost ones.

 REFRAIN
- 2. You heal the hurt and broken heart, you bind up ev'ry wound, you number all the stars of night and call each one by name. The peace of God shall be your hope, God's finest wheat, your food, the word of God fills all the earth, as rapid as the whirlwind.

 REFRAIN

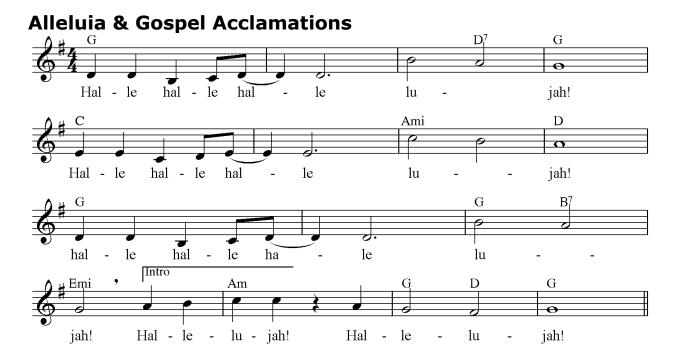
Second Reading 1 Corinthians 9:16-23

¹⁶If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! ¹⁷For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. ¹⁸What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

¹⁹For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. ²⁰To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. ²¹To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. ²²To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. ²³I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

L The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God



P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 1st chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord!

²⁹As soon as [Jesus and the disciples] left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. ³⁰Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. ³¹He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

³²That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. ³³And the whole city was gathered around the door. ³⁴And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

³⁵In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. ³⁶And Simon and his companions hunted for him. ³⁷When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." ³⁸He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." ³⁹And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

P The Gospel of Our Lord

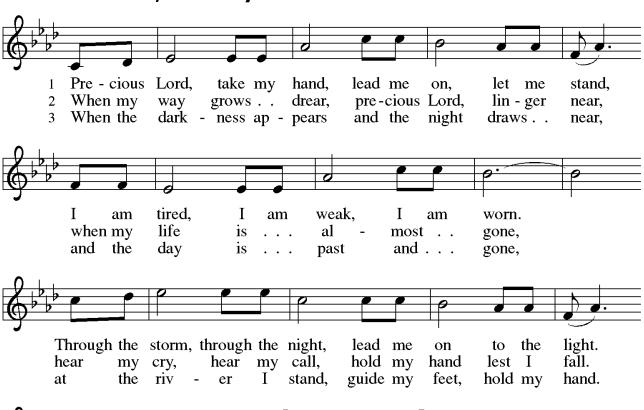
C Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon Pr Phil

Hymn of the Day ELW 773

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

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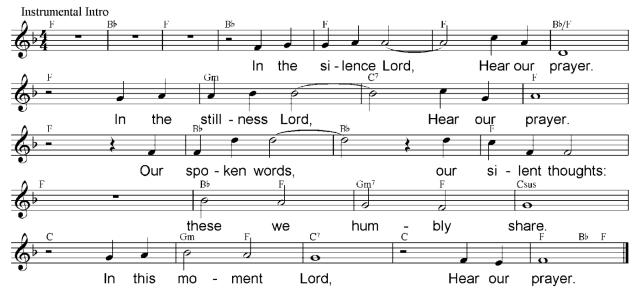
Creed

A Let us profess the faith in which we are Baptized.

ALL 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 into hell. 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 Faithful

A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.



after each prayer petition

A Lord in your mercy, **C** Hear our prayer. concluding with

- P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord
- C Amen.

The Peace

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

Offertory O Living Breath of God Osvaldo Catena (1920-1986) tr. Gerhard M Cartford (1923-2016) Swedish Folk Tune arr. John Helgen (b. 1957)

O living Breath of God, wind at the beginning upon the waters:

O living Breath of God, bearing the creation to wondrous birth;

Come now and fill our spirits, pour out your gift abundant.
O living Breath of God, Holy Spirit, breathe in us as we pray.

O living Breath of God, by whose power the Son came to birth among us;

O living Breath of God, who to the creation gives life anew; Come now and fill our spirits, pour out your gift abundant. O living Breath of God, Holy Spirit, breathe in us as we pray.

O living breath of God, breathe in us as we pray. O Living Breath of God, dwell in us every day

O living Breath of God, bearing us through baptismal waters;

O living Breath of God, sighing with creation for freedom's birth:

Come now and fill our spirits, pour out your gift abundant.
O Living Breath of God, Holy Spirit, breathe in us as we pray.

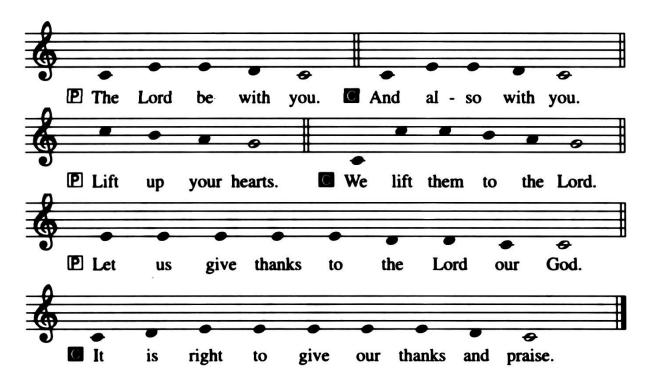


Please stand as our gifts are offered, singing:



- A Let us pray. Merciful Father,
- C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving



P It is indeed right and good that we should everywhere and always offer thanks and praise to you, Holy God mighty and immortal through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Who on this day broke the bonds of death opening to us the way of everlasting life and giving us a foretaste of the feast to come.

And so with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus & Benedictus [Latin, Holy & Blessed]



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Eucharistic Prayer

Eucharistic Acclamation



- P Remember us in your kingdom, O Lord, and teach us to pray.
- C 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.

Agnus Dei [Latin, Lamb of God]



Holy Communion

When We Are Living Arr Kevin McChesney (b. 1963) Handbell Choir

Songs that may be sung during distribution of the Sacrament:

ELW 639



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ELW 787





Text: Michael Joncas, b. 1951

Music: ON EAGLE'S WINGS, Michael Joncas, b. 1951

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- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.
- C Amen.

Post Communion Canticle



A Let us pray... Holy One, we thank you for the healing that springs forth abundantly from this table. Renew our strength to do justice, love kindness, and journey humbly with you.

C Amen

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ♣ give you peace.

C Amen

ELW 536

God Be with You Till We Meet Again



Text: Jeremiah E. Rankin, 1828–1904 Music: GOD BE WITH YOU, William G. Tomer, 1833–1896

A Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

Postlude The Trumpet Sounds, The Angel Sings Aaron David Miller

Commemorations This Week

The Martyrs of Japan, died 1597 Monday, February 5, 2024

Christianity was brought to Japan in the sixteenth century by Jesuit and Franciscan missionaries. The religion was suppressed, however, and in 1597 twenty-six missionaries and converts were crucified. Nevertheless, Christianity survived and later prospered.

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