

The Third Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday, January 22, 2023

The Liturgy of the Word

Welcome to Holy Apostles! This bulletin is your guide to worship and it has all that you need. Our worship is taken from the Book of Common Prayer. If you have any questions during the Liturgy, don't hesitate to ask an usher or a neighbor.

Prelude & Introit

Welcome & Announcements

Processional Hymn H - 304 I Come With Joy to Meet My Lord *Land of Rest*

**I come with joy to meet my Lord, for given, loved, and free,
In awe and wonder to recall his life laid down for me.**

**I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed,
The new community of love in Christ's communion bread.**

**As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends.
That love that made us makes us one, and strangers now are friends.**

The Collect for Purity

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

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

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.

Gloria H-119

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**As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold;
As with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beaming bright;
Sim most gracious Lord, may we evermore be led to thee.**

**As with joyful steps they sped to that lowly manger-bed;
There to bend the knee before him whom heaven and earth adore;
So may we with willing feet ever seek the mercy-seat.**

**As they offered gifts most rare at that manger rude and bare;
So may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy,**

All our costliest treasures bring, Christ! To thee, our heavenly King.

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider 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.*

Please be seated for the lessons

First Lesson

read by Ann Mellow

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness--
on them light has shined.
You have multiplied the nation,
you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.
For the yoke of their burden,
and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

After the reading

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 19

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? *

the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?

One thing have I asked of the Lord; one thing I seek; *

that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life;

To behold the fair beauty of the Lord *

and to seek him in his temple.

For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; *

he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock.

Even now he lifts up my head *

above my enemies round about me.
 Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; *
 I will sing and make music to the Lord.
 Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call; *
 have mercy on me and answer me.
 You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." *
 Your face, Lord, will I seek.
 Hide not your face from me, *
 nor turn away your servant in displeasure.
 You have been my helper; cast me not away; *
 do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

Second Lesson

read by Maeve Farrell

A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

After the reading

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand for the Gospel procession and reading

Sequence Hymn: H 135 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise (verse 2) Salzburg

Manifest at Jordan's stream, Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;

And at Cana, wedding-guest, in thy God-head manifest;

Manifest in power divine, changing water into wine;

Anthems be to thee addressed, God in us made manifest.

The Holy Gospel

Before the Gospel

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew.

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

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

 "Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,

on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—
the people who sat in darkness
have seen a great light,
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death
light has dawned.”

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”
As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.
Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Annual Address

The Mothers

Please stand and say together

The Nicene Creed

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
God of wonder and mystery,

led by Jenna McAuley

God of the stars and the universe,
God of winding ways and straight paths,
we gather today with gratitude for the gift of your constant presence, your trustworthy guidance,
and your daring risk-taking with us.

You dare to love us despite our inability to respond fully.
You dare to care for us, despite our challenge in caring for others.
You dare to walk with us, despite our fickleness.

On our own journeys toward the stars and guiding points you put before us, you continue to lead
us forward, guiding us by the teachings of Jesus to seek justice, love kindness, and walk humbly
in your loving shadow.

As we struggle with the political wrangling of this world, the wars waged for both justice and
greed, the violence committed daily against the innocent, let alone the pain of broken
relationships and loss, you remain steadfast in your care and devotion for your entire creation
throughout the universe.

It is almost too much to take in sometimes.
And even in our doubts and disbelief, our struggle to understand and constant misunderstanding,
and our flat-out ignorance about your ways, you remain constantly present to us.

We pray for peace in this world, Lord, the kind of peace in which we celebrate diversity,
are joyfully challenged by adversity, and share in the joy that is to be found everywhere.

We pray for those who are lonely, that you might lead us to reach out and be friends.

We pray for those who are hungry, that you might lead us to offer sustenance.

We pray for those who are lost, that you might lead us to give hope and direction.

We pray for those all who have died, that you will receive them into your loving arms, and
comfort all who mourn for their loved ones.

We pray for the countries of the world, that we might find a way to work together to lift one
another up.

We pray for our leaders in Washington, that your Spirit might guide them to set an example for
our country and the world to work together rather than against one another.

We pray for our country, that we may seek the places where we share commonality and seek to
repair the divisions that are tearing us apart.

And we pray for ourselves, that we might continue on this journey, learning the lessons you
offer, seeking the fullness of your perfection, and live as you would have us live.

Dear people of God, I invite you to offer your prayers by typing them into the chat or by speaking them aloud.

You are invited to speak your intercessions aloud or to type them in the chat.

The Confession of Sin & Absolution

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor:

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**

Presider 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

Presider The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you!**

The Holy Communion

This is God's Table: all are welcome

Offertory Anthem

Please stand

Doxology

Old Hundredth

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider 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... 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:

Presider and People sing together,

The Sanctus LEVAS II 255 (*Mass for a Soulful People*)

Grayson Warren Brown

Holy, holy, holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are filled with your glory, Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna, in the highest, hosanna in the highest

The Presider continues,

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People,

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Presider continues,

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.**

The Lord's Prayer LEVAS II 264

A.H. Malotte

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed by 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Please remain standing and sing together

Fraction Anthem

S. Shull

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

Please remain standing

Invitation to Communion

These are the gifts for God for all of us, the people of God. Let us take them in remembrance that Christ died for us and feed on him in our hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Hymn

Kingsford

**I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest;
lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon my breast."
I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad;
I found in him a resting place, and he has made me glad.**

**I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give
the living water, thirsty one; stoop down and drink and live."
I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream;
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him.**

**I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light.
Look unto me; your morn shall rise and all your day be bright."
I looked to Jesus, and I found in him my star, my sun;
and in that light of life I'll walk till trav'ling days are done.**

All stand, and say together

Post Communion Prayer

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.

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn: H-707 Take My Life and Let it Be

Hollingside

**Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee;
Take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love;
Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.**

**Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King;
Take my intellect, and use every power as thou shalt choose.
Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.
Taker myself, and I will be ever, only all for thee.**

Parting Prayer *sung to the tune of Edelweiss*

**May the Lord, Mighty Lord, bless you and keep you forever,
bind your heart to his heart with a bond that nothing can sever.
Give you light on the uphill road and courage in every endeavor.
May the Lord, Mighty Lord, bless you and keep you forever.**

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia!
People **Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Coming Up at Holy Apostles This Winter

Annual Meeting - Sunday, January 22th after the 10am service with Zoom component

Join us today after the service for our annual meeting. Featuring a presentation of our financials, including the 2023 budget, pledge update and an update on the renovations. We will also have time for a break out session and Q & A. We encourage all households to participate.

eGALitarian Brass Trio Concert

Sunday, January 22nd @ 4pm

Join our friends, the eGALitarian Brass Band, for a mid-winter concert. Invite your friends. All are welcome. Cost: at will donation at the door. Masks are required.

Community Dinner is Back!

Join us on Wednesday evening for community dinner - a home cooked meal coupled with great conversation. Sign up each week. Cost: by donation.

Exploring our Rituals

Have you ever wondered why we do certain things during Sunday morning services? Why we stand, sit, cross ourselves, bow, lay down a tablecloth, etc? For the five weeks leading up to Lent we'll explore some of these rituals, look briefly at their history and consider how we might translate them into our personal spiritual practices. Please click [here](#) to email Vi Lynk to join.

Meets Mondays (1/23, 1/30, 2/6, 2/13, & 2/20) 7:30-8:30 pm on Zoom.

Absalom Jones Celebration

Saturday, February 11th at Cathedral of St. John the Divine

Join our Education for Ministry (EFM) group on their field trip to St. John the Divine, the Episcopal Cathedral of the Diocese of NY, for the annual celebration of the life and ministry of Absalom Jones, the first African American ordained in the Episcopal church. Guest speaker is Catherine Meeks, Executive Director of the Absalom Jones Center for Racial Healing in Atlanta, GA and author of multiple books including: [Living Into God's Dream: Dismantling Racism in America](#). Sign up in the back of the church or email Heather Kelly, co-mentor of EfM at efm@holypostlesbrooklyn.com

LENT at Holy Apostles

Please sign up for our Lenten offerings online via Google form or with a paper form in the back of the church. Questions? Please ask the Mothers.

Wednesday, February 15th Shrove : "Tuesday" Palm "Bonfire"

Bring last years palms (if you have them) and join us as we burn the palms and roast marshmallows! Because we had so much fun last year with our BBQ, we've decided to reprise it this year. This will be our Wednesday evening community meal with hotdogs on the lawn! If you are willing to volunteer to help BBQ, shop, set up or clean up, please let Mother Kimberlee know.

Wednesday, February 22nd Ash Wednesday

7pm In person and imposition of ashes with choir. Zoom will be available.

An Introduction to Ignatian Spirituality: The Examen & the life of St. Ignatius

Join Mother Kimberlee for a journey with St. Ignatius, the founder of the Society of Jesuits, this Lent with an 8 day daily examen retreat followed by reading The Pilgrim's Story: The Life of St. Ignatius Loyola. Participants are asked to commit to both parts.

- **The Daily Examen 8 Day Retreat on Zoom 10pm**

Thursday, February 23 through March 2

Begin your Lent with the spiritual practice of the Ignatian Daily Examen. Designed to help us begin to see where God is moving in our lives, this 500 year old practice helps cultivate gratitude for every day in a simple inventory of our days. No experience necessary.

Meetings last for 15 minutes each night via Zoom. Sign up is required in advance, and nightly attendance is strongly encouraged.

- **The Pilgrim's Story: The Life of St. Ignatius Loyola** by Brendan Comorford, SJ
The Pilgrim's Story goes beyond a simple biography to explain how the life of Saint Ignatius affected his Spiritual Exercises and describe how Ignatian spirituality can help each of us understand our own spiritual longings and experiences. The book is available for purchase at Amazon and other booksellers. Discussion will be held **March 12 &**

Integration of Mind, Body, Spirit. A Lenten practice.

Mondays on Zoom 8pm, Sundays after the 10am service for a group walk.

Join Mother Sarah as she lead us on a journey to explore these three interconnected aspects of being our selves each need attention, care and integration. For people who are feeling suffering in any of these parts of their self we know that one of the ways we can metaphorically understand our suffering is by thinking of our life as a journey. Hoping to connect to physical, mental and spiritual selves we will embark on a journey together. Join us for a 40 day journey back towards spiritual well being from feeling lost, overwhelmed or out of control using a journal called *Christ Walk Crushed* and committing to some physical, spiritual and mental practices to help our minds, bodies and spirits move towards reconciliation.

Please purchase **Christ Walk Crushed** by Anna Fitch Courie and David W. Peters available on Amazon and other book sellers.

Ukrainian Egg-dying

Thursdays at 11am during Lent beginning March 2.

Join the Mothers for the ancient spiritual practice of Pysanky, aka Ukrainian egg-dying using wax and special dyes.. No previous experience necessary. Bring your lunch and spend time exercising your creative muscles during this meditative practice.

Lenten Half-Day Retreat: Mending our Hearts

Saturday, March 4 10am-2pm @ Holy Apostles

Join seminarian Larisa Shaterian for a half-day Lenten retreat where we will learn basic mending, sewing, and embroidery techniques. Bring extile items to mend, make a mending sampler, embroider a mourning sash, or a combination! Materials (except for your hol(e)y clothes) will be provided in a brown bag. You are encouraged to bring your own brown bag lunch.

This workshop will ask how we display the patched places in our lives and on our clothes.

Workshop: Fostering Love and Hope: Using Art to Transform Trauma and Stress Induced Experiences

Sunday, March 19 following the 10am service.

Join artist, collaborator, consultant and educator Traci Malloy for this workshop which will include a facilitator led presentation on the ways trauma and stress impact the mind and body, and the importance of play/the arts in alleviating the stress response and generating resiliency. The presentation will also include the sharing of select art collaborations that Molloy facilitated with trauma survivors throughout the country. The workshop will conclude a hands-on artmaking component, where participants will be given the opportunity to generate creative expressions.