



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF  
**SAINT MATTHEW**

*Welcoming all, Growing in God*

*Serving Our Neighbor*

ORDER OF WORSHIP  
**The Second Sunday  
after The Epiphany**

January 16, 2022  
8:00 am and 10:30 AM

**Welcome to St. Matthew's Episcopal Church**

All are welcome here. Our liturgy is a celebration of God's love as revealed in Jesus Christ. All are welcome to share in Jesus' sacred meal of communion.

*(Out of courtesy, please silence all cell phones.) Before the liturgy, in silence, talk to God. During the liturgy, let God speak to you.*

**Greeting**

**Processional Hymn** Morning Has Broken  
p. 8, 1982 Blue Hymnal

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**Presiding-Celebrant** Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

**People** Glory to God forever and ever.

**All** 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 Gloria**

*(spoken at 8:00 am and sung at 10:30)*  
Blue Hymnal S-277

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**The Prayer of the Day**

**Presiding-Celebrant** Lord of the wedding day, passion of joining and spirit of festival: take our hearts of stone and flood them with new wine that we might savour ordinary miracles given to sense and taste, through Jesus Christ, the Winemaker. **Amen.**

**First Lesson**

**Isaiah 62:1-5**

**NRSV**

**Lector** (A reading from the Book of the prophet Isaiah.)

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give.

You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married.

For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

**Lector** Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**People** Thanks be to God.

**Psalms 36:5-10**

*(The Psalm appointed for today is Psalm 36. We will read the psalm responsively by whole verse. The congregation's part is printed in bold)*

5 Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, and your faithfulness to the clouds.

**6 Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep; you save both man and beast, O Lord.**

7 How priceless is your love, O God! your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

**8 They feast upon the abundance of your house; you give them drink from the river of your delights.**

9 For with you is the well of life, and in your light we see light.

**10 Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you, and your favor to those who are true of heart.**

**Second Lesson**

**1 Corinthians 12:1-11**

**Lector** (A reading from Paul's letter to the Corinthians.)

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak.



Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

*Lector* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
*People* Thanks be to God.

**The Gospel**                      **John 2:1-11**      (NRSV)

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Homily Deacon Kim Crecca

**The Nicene Creed**                      (BCP 358)

**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.**

**Prayers of the People**

*Intercessor* Almighty and everlasting God, you give gifts to all your people: you give us the power and ability to do what you would have us do. Help us to use the gifts you have given us for the benefit of others and to 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.**

*Intercessor* We give thanks to you, O Lord, for all who enrich our world by their talents and abilities. We pray for those with the gift of healing and for all healing ministries. We pray for those who are visionaries and those who plan our future: may we all exercise the gift of discernment and distinguish the true from the false. We pray for all who are preparing for marriage, for all who have recently fallen in love. We remember homes where there is tension or estrangement and all homes where there is a breakdown in marriage or in relationships.

*People* **Lord, come to us and fill us with your love.**

*Intercessor* Lord, who has given us this world and all that is in it, help us to use its resources properly, that we do not waste now what should be saved for the future: that the resources of the sea are not over-used, that fossil fuels are not too easily spent. We pray that we take care not to pollute the earth or our environment. Bless all who are seeking to conserve and to protect our natural



resources. We pray for countries whose crops have failed, whose harvest is poor, and for all who live in desert places.

**People** Lord, come to us and fill us with your love.

*Intercessor* We rejoice, O God, that you delight in us. You will not leave us desolate: you are God who renews and restores your creation. We pray that we may learn to delight in each other and give our attention and love to each other. Bless our homes and our loved ones with your fullness; renew and restore us in strength and in love. We pray for all who are struggling in their relationships.

**People** Lord, come to us and fill us with your love.

*Intercessor* We pray for all who have been made to feel inadequate or unwanted, for all who feel as if they have run out of energy or hope, for all who feel empty or that life is too much for them. We remember the despairing, the despondent, and all who feel utterly drained.

**People** Lord, come to us and fill us with your love.

*Intercessor* We rejoice that we are created in your image. Free us from racism and any other prejudice that defiles us. May the church at all times reveal your glory and lead many to the glorious liberty that is for the children of God.

**People** Lord, come to us and fill us with your love.

*Intercessor* We rejoice with all who have received of your fullness in your kingdom, all who have been restored and renewed by your love and saving power. We pray for loved ones departed.

**People** Lord, come to us and fill us with your love.

*(The people may add their prayers silently or aloud.)*

*Presiding-Celebrant:* God, you shape our dreams. As we put our trust in you may your hopes and desires be ours, and we your expectant people.

**People** Amen.

**Confession of Sin** (BCP p. 360)

*Deacon* Love casts out fear. Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

*silence may be kept.*

**All** Merciful God, we have sinned in what we have thought and said, in the wrong we have done and in the good we have not done. We have sinned in ignorance; we have sinned in weakness; we have sinned through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to you. Forgive us, for our Savior Christ's sake, and renew our lives to the glory of your name. Amen.

*Presiding-Celebrant* Through the cross of Christ, God have mercy on you, pardon you and set you free. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal. **Amen.**

### **The Peace**

*Presiding-Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People** And also with you.

*We greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

### **Offertory Sentence**

*Presiding-Celebrant*

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the most high.

**Offertory Hymn** instrumental

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

**Presentation** (8:00 spoken, 10:30 sung)

*All:* 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.

### **Enriching Our Worship**

(EOW 3)

*Presiding-Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**People** And also with you.

*Presiding-Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

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

*Presiding-Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*Presiding-Celebrant* All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; you brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; and so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:



***Presiding-Celebrant and People***  
***(8:00 spoken, 10:30 sung)***

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said:

“Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said:

“Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ’s coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

***Presiding-Celebrant and People***  
***Dying, you destroyed our death.***  
***Rising, you restored our life.***  
***Christ Jesus, come in glory!***

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit’s power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with blessed Matthew and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

***Presiding-Celebrant and People***  
***Blessed are you now and forever. Amen.***  
As our Savior Christ has taught us, we pray Jesus’ prayer

in whatever language we are most comfortable:

**Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

*Presiding-Celebrant*

The living bread is broken for the life of the world;

***People Lord, unite us in this sign.***

**Communion** Christ Above Me – Lindquist chant

*Presiding-Celebrant*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*The Bread and Cup are given with these words:*

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [**Amen.**]  
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [**Amen.**]

**Post-Communion Prayer**

*Presiding-celebrant* Let us pray.

**All: Father, your steadfast purpose is the completion of all things in your Son. May we who have received the pledges of the kingdom, live by faith, walk in hope and be renewed in love, until the world reflects your glory and you are all in all; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**The Blessing**

*Presiding-Celebrant*

The Almighty God, the giver of all good gifts, fill you with joy, peace and love; And the blessing of Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you now and forever! **Amen.**

**Recessional** Immortal, Invisible, God only Wise  
p. 423 1982 Blue Hymnal

**The Dismissal**

*Deacon* Let us go forth into the world,  
rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

***People*** Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!