

The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany February 2, 2020

The Service of the Word

Opening Voluntary: Piano Prelude

Samuel Klauss (piano)

Entrance Hymn 686: "Come Thou Fount"

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and

forever. Amen

The Collect for Purity

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

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL *** (Ages 4 – 10 years)

During the following hymn, children process with the leader to the Chapel for a lesson and singing; they return at The Peace.

Song of Praise 400: "All Creatures of Our God and King"

All Creatures of our God and King,

Lift up your voices, let us sing: Alleluia, alleluia!

Bright burning sun with golden beams, Pale silver moon that gently gleams,

O Praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia!

The Collect of the Day - prayed by the Celebrant

The First Reading: Malachi 3:1-4

Thus says the Lord, See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight-- indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

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

Psalm 24:7-10: (read responsively by whole verse)

7 Lift up your heads, O gates;

lift them high, O everlasting doors; * and the King of glory shall come in.

8 "Who is this King of glory?" *

"The LORD, strong and mighty,
the LORD, mighty in battle."

9 Lift up your heads, O gates;

lift them high, O everlasting doors; * and the King of glory shall come in.

10 "Who is he, this King of glory?" *
"The LORD of hosts,
he is the King of glory."

Sequence Hymn: "As The Deer"

As the deer panteth for the water, So my soul longeth after Thee. You alone are my heart's desire, And I long to worship thee.

Chorus

You alone are my strength my shield, To You alone may my spirit yield. You alone are my heart's desire, And I long to worship Thee

You're my friend and You are my brother, Even though You are a King I love You more than any other, So much more than anything. (Chorus)

The Gospel Reading: Luke 2:22-40

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus

Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you Lord Christ.

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, the parents of Jesus brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons."

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

"Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word;

for my eyes have seen your salvation,

which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,

a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel."

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed -- and a sword will pierce your own soul too."

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you Lord Christ.

Sermon

"Seeking the One Who is Seeking You" Leanne Whalen Klauss

The Nicene Creed (p. 358 BCP)

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. *A men*.

(*Fun Fact: "catholic" means universal)

Prayers of the People

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. (Silence)

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. (Silence)

For all people in their daily life and work; For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world; For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation; For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needv.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For all bishops and other ministers; For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. (Silence)

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We especially thank you for our Church. (Silence)

We will exalt you, O God our King; *And praise your Name for ever and ever.*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; *Who put their trust in you*.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. (Silence)

The Confession (p. 360 BCP)

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

The Peace: Welcome, Announcements, Birthdays & Anniversaries

The Holy Communion

This portion of the service begins on p. 361 in the BCP however, you are encouraged to give your attention to the altar.

The Communion. <u>All baptized Christians</u> are invited and welcome to receive Communion. Anyone who does not wish to receive communion is invited to kneel at the rail, cross their arms over their chest, and receive a blessing. If you would like the clergy to bring communion to someone in the pews, please notify the ushers at the door of the church. If you wish to receive a gluten-free wafer, please simply request one from the priest while at the rail.

Offertory: "Beautiful"

Stephen Bell

The Doxology 380: (v. 3)

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 (p. 361 BCP)

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.PeopleWe lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Sanctus: S-125 (in front section of blue hymnal)

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again..

Communion Hymn 711: "Seek Ye First"

Communion Hymn: "Speak, Oh Lord"

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
To receive the food of Your Holy Word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness.
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of power that can never fail;
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us. Truths unchanged from the dawn of time That will echo down through eternity. And by grace we'll stand on Your promises And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us. Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built And the earth is filled with Your glory.

Communion Hymn 383: "Fairest Lord Jesus"

Post Communion Prayer (p. 365 BCP)

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

Closing Hymn 427: "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

The Dismissal

Closing Voluntary: Hymn Medley

Samuel Klauss (piano)

Flower Dedications





Sermon Notes

Prayer List

Requested Prayer:

Adam J., Adam L., Andy, Ann; Ariel; Arlene; Barbara, Beth, Betty; Bob, Bonnie, Catherine M; Catherine Z.; Cecil, Chris, Cindy, Dan D.; David, Debbie, Destinee, Don, Elsie, Fr. Glenn, Frances, Fred, Gene, Grace, Jason, Jennifer, Jim A., Jim D., Judy F., Judy G., Julie, Karen, Kathy, Kelly, Ken, Kiefer, Kimberly, Kristyn, Lana, Linda E., Linda M., Luke Allen, Matthew, Melissa, Mike, Neta,, Pat, Patrick B., Polly, Ralph, Ron, Russell, Sarah; Sherry Jo, Sherry, Steve, Susan, Teresa, Teresa L., Susan, Terry, Tif, Tom.

Military

Adam Zigler, Ben Boyer, Bill Elliott, Chase Coleman, Christian Clark, Daniel Payden, Donovan Chau, Doug Wiessman, Dylan Hoewt, Edie Ruiz, Grant Hungerford, Hunter Bailey, Jeremy Rice,

Jose Hernandez, Kevin Kahl, Lance Breeding, Marc Ruiz, Mike Darrah, Nicholas Pinkston, Raymond Buckalew, Jr., Sean Haight, Shaun Southall, Terry W. Triplett, Jr., Tyler Post

Great Expectations

The coming birth of a baby to Clay & Tiffanie Coleman

Special Appeals

Rachel Iversen

Repose of the Soul

Liz Bonifay

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