

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

January 29, 2023 ✦ 10:30 am



The Word of God

Voluntary

Hymn # 616

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein

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Glory to God

William Mathias

The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth:
Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one
God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson

Micah 6:1-8

Hear what the Lord says:

Rise, plead your case before the mountains,
and let the hills hear your voice.

Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord,
and you enduring foundations of the earth;

for the Lord has a controversy with his people,
and he will contend with Israel.

“O my people, what have I done to you?
In what have I wearied you? Answer me!

For I brought you up from the land of Egypt,
and redeemed you from the house of slavery;

and I sent before you Moses,
Aaron, and Miriam.

O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised,
what Balaam son of Beor answered him,

and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal,
that you may know the saving acts of the Lord.”

“With what shall I come before the Lord,
and bow myself before God on high?

Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings,
with calves a year old?

Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,
with tens of thousands of rivers of oil?

Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?"

He has told you, O mortal, what is good;
and what does the Lord require of you

but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?

The Psalm

Psalm 15

Domine, quis habitabit?

Jerome Webster Meachen
(b. 1930)



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- 1 Lord, who may dwell in your **tabernacle**? *
who may abide upon your holy **hill**?
- 2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is **right**, *
who speaks the truth from his **heart**.
- 3 There is no guile upon his tongue;
he does no evil to his **friend**; *
he does not heap contempt upon his **neighbor**.
- 4 In his sight the wicked is **rejected**, *
but he honors those who fear the **Lord**.
- 5 He has sworn to do no **wrong** *
and does not take back his **word**.
- 6 He does not give his money in hope of **gain**, *
nor does he take a bribe against the **innocent**.

7 Whoever does these **things** *
 shall never be **overthrown**.

The Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

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. For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

Hymn # 605

What does the Lord require

Sharpthorne

The Gospel

Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

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The Communion of the People		

Please wait for the ushers to signal your pew to come up. The clergy will distribute communion from the center of the chancel. The wine distribution is on both sides of the chancel.

For the bread,

- *Hold both hands out and up, one over the other, so the clergy can drop the bread into your hands without touching your hands.*

For the wine,

- ***To sip or intinct:*** *cup distribution is on BOTH sides of the chancel. Move to the chalice for a small cup of wine. Consume the wine and place cup in the white tray on the table at the bottom of the steps. To intinct, please use the small cup of wine, intinct the wafer, and then place the wine cup in the white tray at the bottom of the steps.*
- ***To receive from the common cup:*** *The common cup is only on the LEFT SIDE of the chancel. Go to the left and receive from the chalice at the Paige Chapel rail. Do **not** intinct into the common chalice.*

Those who do not wish to receive communion are invited to cross your arms over your chest and receive a no-contact blessing.

During Communion

Hymn # 656

Blest are the pure in heart

Franconia

Post Communion Prayer

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Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Hymn # 542

Christ is the world's true Light

St. Joan

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

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