

THE WAY OF LOVE

Whoever and wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are welcome. Our message is that God's unconditional love is extended to you right now through Jesus Christ. Here in this church, God says, "You belong, this is my family, and you have a place in it." You are welcome to come to this table to receive the bread and wine made holy.

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

January 21, 2024 10:30 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

How Lovely Shines The Morning Star
Dana Anderson, organ

Manz

AT THE PROCESSION Hymnal (blue) 533

How wondrous and great

All stand

- 1 How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise!
How just, King of saints, and true are thy ways!
O who shall not fear thee, and honor thy Name?
Thou only art holy, thou only supreme.
- 2 To nations of earth thy light shall be shown;
their worship and vows shall come to thy throne:
thy truth and thy judgments shall spread all abroad,
till earth's every people confess thee their God.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Book of Common Prayer (BCP red) 355

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

People ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.***

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.***

GLORIA

(from *The Orlando Mass*)

Robert Lau



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Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and

peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heav'n - ly

King, — al - might - y God and Fa - ther. We wor - ship

you. We a - dore — you. Glo - ry to God,

Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God in the high - est.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP (red) 215

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

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.**

THE WORD OF GOD

THE LESSONS

All are seated

JONAH 3:1-5, 10

The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, "Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

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

People ***Thanks be to God.***

PSALM 62:6-14 *read responsively by the whole verse*

6 For God alone my soul in silence waits; truly, my hope is in him.

7 ***He alone is my rock and my salvation, my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.***

8 In God is my safety and my honor; God is my strong rock and my refuge.

9 ***Put your trust in him always, O people, pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.***

10 Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, even those of low estate cannot be trusted.

11 ***On the scales they are lighter than a breath, all of them together.***

12 Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride; though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.

13 ***God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, that power belongs to God.***

14 Steadfast love is yours, O Lord, for you repay everyone according to his deeds.

1 CORINTHIANS 7:29-31

I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

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People ***Thanks be to God.***

SEQUENCE Hymnal (blue) 538

God of mercy, God of grace

All stand and turn to face the Gospel procession

- 1 God of mercy, God of grace,
show the brightness of thy face.
Shine upon us, Savior, shine,
fill thy Church with light divine,
and thy saving health extend
unto earth's remotest end.
- 2 Let thy people praise thee, Lord;
be by all that live adored.
Let the nations shout and sing
glory to their Savior King;
let all be, below, above,
one in joy, and light, and love.

MARK 1:14-20

Officiant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

Officiant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

The Reverend Walt Seeley

All are seated

THE NICENE CREED

BCP (red) 358

All stand

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 worshipped 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

All stand or kneel

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. Isaiah 60:1

You who, by the leading of a star, guided the Magi to the brightness of the Holy Child of Bethlehem, lead us to the light of revelation, that we may value and honor the varied gifts of our sisters and brothers.

Silence

Christ, be our light

Shine in our hearts.

You who framed the brightness of the first light in creation, dispel the arrogance, animosity, and anger that shatter the unity of your holy Church. Fill your faithful people with the radiant light of truth.

Silence

Christ, be our light

Shine in our hearts.

You who delivered your people from the misery of bondage in slavery to the land of promise, set us free from enslavement to division, disunity, and distrust in our public life and labor. Illumine those in authority with the light of vision.

Silence

Christ, be our light

Shine in our hearts.

You who patterned the stars and called the sun into being, who appointed the moon and chartered the cosmos, pattern the hearts of people everywhere to see in each other the beauty of the universe and the splendor of creation, that divisions of Race, Class, Gender, and Ethnicity may be recreated into one common humanity.

Silence

Christ, be our light

Shine in our hearts.

You who shower comfort and hope to the lowest, the lost, and the least, shower the light of compassion on the sick, the sorrowful, and the suffering. Help us to be your compassion and hope in the world.

Silence

Christ, be our light

Shine in our hearts.

You who welcome into the brilliant light of eternity those who have died, welcome those whose lives have been cut short by violence, warfare, and strife. Shine the light of hope.

Silence

Christ, be our light

Shine in our hearts.

You who delight in the complexity and splendor of creation, help us to delight in the diversity of this earth, our island home. Inspire your people to care for all you have made.

Silence

Christ, be our light

Shine in our hearts.

We pray for St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Sheridan and for the Church of Bangladesh. The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of Jerry Davidsen and Joe Davidsen. Your own prayers and petitions may be added at this time.

Gracious and loving God, you know us better than we know ourselves. Guide the Search Committee, Vestry, and people of St. Mark's Church through this time of transition and discernment. We pray that your Holy Spirit continues to open our hearts and minds to new opportunities and ideas; so that we may follow where you lead — knowing that our Lord walks with us each step of the way. Empower each and every member of our Search Committee to use their gifts for ministry to the fullest; to share their thoughts openly and honestly; to respect the opinions of others; and to encourage humility, patience, and joy. Finally, instill in all the people of St. Mark's a glorious vision of the future; that, guided by your Holy Spirit, we may be united in the way of love — with warm hearts, enlightened minds and open arms — so that we may gladly accomplish the mission to which you are calling us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

Christ, be our light. Shine in our heart. May Christ, the Morning Star who knows no setting, find us ever burning with the light of love, the spirit of truth, and the wellspring of hope.
Amen.

CONFESSION

Enriching Our Worship (EOW) 56

Officiant Let us confess our sins to God.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

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

All stand

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

***People* And also with you.**

The people greet one another in the name of the Lord

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY BLESSING

BCP (red) 830

Watch over Your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand, comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may Your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

AT THE OFFERTORY

Let All Together Praise Our God

Manz

An offering is collected as a symbol of our life and labor and to support the work of the church. Thank you for your generosity.

Officiant All things come of you, O Lord.

People ***And of your own have we given you.***

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

SANCTUS *sung three times*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dore you. My

heart pours out my Praise to you you are Ho - ly, Lord!

G A7/G D A/C# Bm Bm/A Em7 A7 G/A D

The people stand or kneel

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death. We proclaim his resurrection. We await his coming in glory.

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Mark and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.***

And now, as our Savior has taught us, we are bold to say,

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Those who eat my flesh

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Those who

eat my flesh and drink my blood a - bide in me and

I in them Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of four systems of music. The first system has a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The second system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The third system has a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The fourth system has a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The music is in 2/4 time and features a key signature of one flat (B-flat).

This is the table, not of the Church, but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love him and for those who want to love him more.

Come, all those who have much faith, and those who have little, those who have been here often and those who have not been here long, those who have tried to follow you and those who have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites us. It is God's will that those who desire God should meet God here. **Amen.**

All are welcome at the altar. All who desire to receive communion and those wishing to receive a prayer of blessing are invited to the altar rail. Gluten free wafers are available at the communion rail. Please inform the servers at the altar rail if you desire gluten free wafers.

COMMUNION Hymnal (blue) 325

Let us break bread together

1 Let us break bread together on our knees;

*when I fall on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.*

2 Let us drink wine together on our knees; *Refrain*

3 Let us praise God together on our knees; *Refrain*

Eight-fold Alleluia

1. Alleluia

2. He is risen

3. Holy Spirit

4. Alleluia

SENDING FORTH

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

The people stand or kneel

Officiant Let us pray.

People *Almighty God, you have opened to us the Scriptures, and you have made yourself known in the breaking of the bread. Abide with us, we pray, that, blessed by your presence, we may walk with you all the days of our lives, until we behold you, the one eternal God, in the fullness of your splendor, beauty and grandeur. Amen.*

BLESSING

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

AT THE PROCESSION Hymnal (blue) 657

Love divine

All stand

- 1 Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.
- 2 Come, almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be alway blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.
- 3 Finish then thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee:
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

DISMISSAL

Officiant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

POSTLUDE

Chorale: Be Ever Near Me, Lord

Anonymous 1698

Harmonized by A. Schreiner

If you are unable to make it to church and would like communion, please contact the church office.

ST. MARK'S INTERCESSORY PRAYER LIST

Diocesan Prayer: St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Sheridan.

Anglican Cycle of Prayers: Diocese of Akoko (Nigeria), Diocese of Akoko Edo (Nigeria), Diocese of Akot (South Sudan), Church of Bangladesh, Diocese of Akure (Nigeria), Diocese of Alabama (The Episcopal Church), and Diocese of Alaska (The Episcopal Church).

SCRIPTURES FOR NEXT WEEK ARE:

Deuteronomy 18:15-20	Psalm 111
1 Corinthians 8:1-13	Mark 1:21-28

Website for weekly scriptures: <http://www.lectionarypage.net>

COMMEMORATIONS

Jan. 21 Agnes & Cecilia of Rome, Martyrs, 304 & c.230
Jan. 22 Vincent of Saragossa, Deacon & Martyr, 304
Jan. 23 Phillips Brooks, Bishop, 1893
Jan. 24 Florence Li Tim-Oi, Priest, 1992
Jan. 26 Timothy & Titus, Companions of Saint Paul
Jan. 27 John Chrysostom, Bishop & Theologian, 407

ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATIONS

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of Margi's brothers, Jerry Davidsen and Joe Davidsen, given by Margi & Mick Finnegan. You may sign up for a Sunday in the altar flower dedication book located in the rear of the church. More than one donor per Sunday is gratefully welcomed and due recognition given accordingly. Cost is \$70.00.

ST. MARK'S PARKING

We are thankful to the Cheyenne family that allows us to use their parking lot west of the church on Sunday mornings. It's a parking lot that is leased by others throughout the week.

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Chorale: Be Ever Near Me, Lord, Anonymous 1698 Harmonized by A. Schreiner, J. Fischer & Bro. Glen Rock, N.J. Harristown Road Printed in U.S.A.

How wondrous and great, Words: Henry Ustick Onderdonk (1759-1858), alt.; para. The Song of the Redeemed, Music: Lyons, att. Johann Michael Haydn (1737-1806)

God of mercy, God of grace, Words: Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847), alt. Music: Lucerna Laudoniae, David Evans (1874-1948), Copyright: Music: By permission of Oxford University Press.

Let us break bread together, Words: African-American spiritual, Music: Let Us Break Bread, Afro-American spiritual; arr. and harm. David Hurd (b. 1950)

Love divine, Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), Music: Hyfrydol, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887)

Prayers of the People: SCLM sub-committee on Racial Justice & Reconciliation



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8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I

10:30 a.m. Choral Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Children's Chapel/Sunday School & Nursery

Interim Rectors: The Revs. Janet and Walt Seeley