



The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany  
**THE HOLY EUCHARIST**  
Sunday, 28 January 2024 • 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM  
Pensacola, Florida • Episcopal Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast

The People's responses are in **bold italics**.  
Hymns are in the blue *Hymnal 1982*.  
Service music (marked "S") is found at the front of the Hymnal.  
Other page numbers refer to the red Book of Common Prayer.

**Worship Information**

*Welcome to Christ Church! We especially welcome our visitors and newcomers and ask that you fill out a visitor card so that we can thank you for coming.*

*For Children – Children are always welcome during service. There is a Kid's Korner at the entrance with books and activities.*

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**Opening Voluntary**

*"Deck thyself, my soul with gladness," BWV 654  
— Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)*

**Hymn in Procession**

**Hymn 493** — *O for a thousand tongues to sing*

**Welcome**

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD – BCP 355**

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. 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.**

**Kyrie: Lord have mercy**

**8:00 - spoken 10:30 - Hymnal S 98**

Lord have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.** Lord, have mercy.

**The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you. *People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

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 People may be seated.*

**The First Lesson — Deuteronomy 18:15-20**

Moses said: The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet.

This is what you requested of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the LORD my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." Then the LORD replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die." The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 111**

*(10:30 - sung by the choir)*

- 1 Hallelujah!  
I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, \*  
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.
- 2 **Great are the deeds of the LORD! \***  
**they are studied by all who delight in them.**
- 3 His work is full of majesty and splendor, \*  
and his righteousness endures for ever.
- 4 **He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; \***  
**the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.**
- 5 He gives food to those who fear him; \*  
he is ever mindful of his covenant.
- 6 **He has shown his people the power of his works \***  
**in giving them the lands of the nations.**
- 7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; \*  
all his commandments are sure.
- 8 **They stand fast for ever and ever, \***  
**because they are done in truth and equity.**
- 9 He sent redemption to his people;  
he commanded his covenant for ever; \*  
holy and awesome is his Name.
- 10 **The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; \***  
**those who act accordingly have a good understanding;**  
**his praise endures for ever.**

**The Second Lesson — 1 Peter 2:2-10**

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner", and "A

stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.” They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

*The People stand for the Hymn and the Gospel.*

**10:30 - Sequence Hymn**

**Hymn 525 – The Church’s one foundation**

**CHILDREN’S CHAPEL, 10:30 Service**  
*During the Hymn, children in grades Pre-K through 5th may follow the children’s acolytes down the center aisle to Children’s Chapel. They will return at the Peace.*

**The Gospel — Mark 1:21-28**

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

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

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.” But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, “What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

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

**The Sermon**

*The Rev. Dr. Michael Hoffman*

*Silence may be kept.*

**The Nicene Creed** *The People stand.*

**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: Form III**

**BCP 387**

*Celebrant* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

*The People kneel.*

*Reader* Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

*People* **That we all may be one.**

*Reader* Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

*People* **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

*Reader* We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; and for all the holy people of God;

*People* **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

*Reader* We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; for prisoners and captives and all who care for them; and for this city and the people who live here;

*People* **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

*Reader* Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

*People* **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

*Reader* Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray for the sick and hospitalized in our parish and community.

*Silence*

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

*People* **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

*Reader* We commend to your mercy all who have died (especially...). Give to the departed eternal rest.

*People* **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

*Reader* We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

*People* **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

*Reader* Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and People*

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.*

*The Priest stands and says*

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.*

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

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

*The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## Announcements

## The Offertory

### 10:30 - Offertory Anthem

*"The Prayer of St. Francis" – Sebastian Temple (1928-1997),  
arr. Martin Neary (b. 1940)*

*Make me a channel of your peace:  
where there is hatred let me bring your love,  
where there is injury, your pardon, Lord,  
and where there's doubt true faith in you.*

*O Master, grant that I may never seek  
so much to be consoled as to console,  
to be understood as to understand,  
to be loved, as to love with all my soul.*

*Make me a channel of your peace:  
where there's despair in life let me bring hope,  
where there is darkness, only light,  
and where there's sadness, ever joy.*

*Make me a channel of your peace:  
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
in giving of ourselves that we receive,  
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.*

## At the Presentation

*Tune: Laßt uns erfreuen*

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

*At the presentation of the monetary gifts,*

*Celebrant* All things come of thee, O Lord.

*People* **And of thine own have we given thee.**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### Eucharistic Prayer D — BCP 372

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

*Celebrant and People*

**8:00 - Hymnal S 125**

**10:30 - Hymnal S 128**

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

***Hosanna in the highest.***

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

***Hosanna in the highest.***

*The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues*

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

*Celebrant and People*

***We praise you, we bless you,***

***we give thanks to you,***

***and we pray to you, Lord our God.***

*The Celebrant continues*

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. AMEN.

**The Lord's Prayer**

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ 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**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

10:30 – *Then is sung*

**The Fraction Anthem**

**Hymnal S 165**

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation:*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

**The Communion**

*Christians of all ages (regardless of where you were baptized) are welcome to receive Holy Communion. • Please come forward to the Altar Rail, being careful of the step just before the rail. • The rail fills from the center, and please don't hesitate to cross to the other side if there is space. • Communion is available in two kinds. If you choose not to receive communion in one or both kinds, please cross both arms across your chest and the priest will offer a blessing. • If you choose to receive communion in one kind, know Christ is fully present, and all benefits of the Eucharist are fully received. • If you receive the chalice, please assist the chalice bearer by guiding the base of the cup. Or you may choose to intinct in the chalice. • If you need a gluten-free wafer, please cross one arm across your chest. There is no separate chalice. • If you would like the clergy to bring communion to someone in the pew, please notify the ushers at the door.*

**Communion Hymns**

**Hymn 339** — *Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness*

**Hymn 577** — *God is love, and where true love is*

**Post Communion Prayer**

**BCP 365**

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.*

**Prayer for Mission**

**BCP 101**

Lord Jesus Christ, *you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you: for the honor of your name. Amen.*

**The Blessing**

**Hymn in Procession**

**Hymn 438** — *Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!*

**Dismissal Response:** *Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

**Closing Voluntary** *Trumpet Tune in G Major – Jon Roberts*



**Notes on the Notes** — The Opening Voluntary is a chorale prelude on *Schmücke dich, O liebe Seele*, the tune of our first Communion hymn, “Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness” by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750). This chorale prelude features an ornamented melody against a contrapuntal accompaniment and would have been used to introduce the hymn to the congregation.

The Offertory Anthem is “The Prayer of St. Francis,” or “Make me a channel of your peace,” a song by Sebastian Temple (1928-1997), one of the leading figures of the Folk Mass movement that originated in the Roman tradition immediately after the Second Vatican Council (1962-1965). This arrangement by Martin Neary was composed specially for the funeral of Diana, Princess of Wales in Westminster Abbey on 6 September 1997.

The Closing Voluntary this morning is the Trumpet Tune in G Major by Jon Roberts. This work is in a tripartite form: A-B-A. In the first section, the primary melody alternates between a solo trumpet stop and the full ensemble. The middle section is in a contrasting minor key and leads to a reprise of the opening material in the final section. Even in this digital age, remarkably little is to be found about this composer, though I surmise that he is a different Jon Roberts than the lead guitarist of the heavy metal band Megadeth. But I may be wrong... — *Dr. Jason Hobratchk*

*The flowers at the altar are given to the Glory of God  
and in loving memory of George A. Provan.*

