

Sunday, January 24, 2021, 10:00 am

Blended (Covid) Service

Epiphany 3

Welcome & Introduction

Invocation

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
Who is faithful throughout the generations,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
whose voice is upon the waters,
whose mercy is poured out upon all people,
whose goodness cascades over all creation.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin, trusting in the abundant grace of God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy God,
you search us and know us.
You are acquainted with all our ways.
We confess that our hearts are burdened by sin—
our own sins and the broken systems that bind us.
We turn inward, failing to follow
your outward way of love.
We distrust those who are not like us.
We exploit the earth and its resources
and fail to consider generations to come.
Forgive us, gracious God,
for all we have done and left undone.
Even before the words are on our tongues,
you know them;
receive them in your divine mercy.
Amen.

How vast is God's grace!
Through the power and promise of † Christ Jesus,
our sins are washed away
and we are claimed as God's own beloved,
and we are forgiven.
Bathed in God's forgiveness and grace,
we are called to be the beloved community,
living out Christ's justice and the Spirit's reconciling peace.
Amen.

Kyrie

"Kyrie" (WOV Setting 5 (Bread of Life))

Song of Praise

“Arise, Shine” (Baloche/Harvill)

Apostolic Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. **And also with you.**

Prayer of Day

Almighty God, **by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

1 The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, 2 “Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.” 3 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. 4 Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s walk. And he cried out, “Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” 5 And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

10 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.

Word of God. Word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm: Psalm 62 (*sung*) (John Michael Talbot)

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

²⁹Brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, ³⁰and 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, ³¹and 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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Gospel Acclamation

“Alleluia (I Am the Light)”

DRM 128

Gospel Reading: Mark 1:14-20

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

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

Sermon

Pastor Molly Sasser-Goehner

Song of the Day

“You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore”

ELW 817

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Church

Lead us, O God: **Lead us by your light.**

Sharing of the Peace

Offering Song

“Create In Me” (Rend Collective)

Offering Prayer

O God, receive these gifts as you receive us: like a mother receives her child, with arms open wide. Nourish us anew in your tender care, and empower us in faithful service to tend to others with this same love, through Jesus Christ, our saving grace. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

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 our thanks and praise.

Proper Preface (It is indeed...)

Eucharistic Prayer

Words of Institution/Acclamation

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith. **Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again.**

The Lord's Prayer (*Sung*) (*Bendickson*)

Communion

Communion Song

“Now We Join in Celebration”

ELW 462

Post-Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace. **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

Holy and Eternal Light of God, **you look upon us in love and refresh our souls through the gifts of bread and wine. Send us out, reflecting the light of your grace, to tell the story of Jesus Christ, our bright morning star. Amen.**

Ministry Announcements

God's work. **Our hands.**

Benediction

God the Creator who delights in you, Jesus the Savior who is born for you, and the life-giving Spirit who shines on you, † bless you and keep you in hope and peace now and forever. **Amen.**

Sending Song

“We Are Marching in the Light of God”

ELW 866

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Share the love of Christ with all!