



St. Jude's Episcopal Church

Seeking and Worshipping God, Reaching out to Others

January 14, 2024
Second Sunday after the Epiphany
10:30 am Holy Eucharist

----- A Special WELCOME to all! -----

We are now in the season called “**Epiphanytide**,” or, **The season after the Feast of the Epiphany** (which was on January 6). The church term “epiphany” means the manifestation of God in the person Jesus. Our Gospel readings this season will contain examples of how Jesus demonstrated his divine identity. Who will recognize it?

New to our church? We’d love to get better acquainted. Please leave your name and email or phone number in one of our guestbooks, located at both entrances of the worship space; or by filling out one of the Welcome cards in the pew.

COVID is still a concern in our area. Face masks are recommended; they are provided at all entrances to the worship space. Hand-sanitizing stations are also provided, and recommended for use prior to receiving Communion.

All persons who desire to receive Holy Communion are served here, no questions asked. Today, we offer gluten-free Bread, which may be dipped into the small bowl of wine; or, consume your bread and sip wine from the chalice that follows. Or neither: just cross your arms over your chest. You may also ask a blessing from the priest.

Hymn # These hymns are located in the blue Hymnal 1982 in your pew.

WLP # These hymns are located in the green hymnal books located near the library entrance to the church.

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude _____

Opening Hymn #542 _____ Christ is the world's true light

Open Acclamation & Collect _____

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

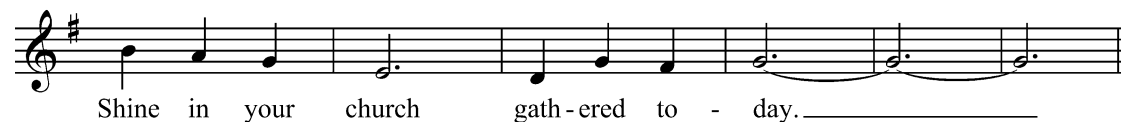
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Presider 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 Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Song of Praise: MHSO #59 vss 1,3 _____ Longing for light

1 Longing of light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see. *Refrain*

3 Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
Shared until all are fed. *Refrain*



Collect of the Day _____

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray together.

All

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading *Please be seated* _____ 1 Samuel 3:1-10

Reader

A Reading from the First Book of Samuel.

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm _____ *Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17*

- 1 Lord, you have searched me out and known me; *
you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.
- 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places *
and are acquainted with all my ways.
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, * but you, O Lord, know it altogether.
- 4 You press upon me behind and before * and lay your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; * it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- 12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; *
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- 13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made; *
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.
- 14 My body was not hidden from you, *
while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.
- 15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written
in your book; *
they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them.
- 16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! * how great is the sum of them!
- 17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; *
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

The Second Reading _____ Not *1 Corinthians 6:12-20*

Reader An introduction to Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians.

This Epiphanytide, a series of readings from 1st Corinthians has been scheduled by the international Lectionary. We were meant to start with a very problematic text about abstaining from sex with prostitutes, and from sex in general, because, Paul says, "Your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit." This passage has been used to demand abstinence from teenagers and for body-shaming of people generally. It is not a beneficial text to read aloud. Rev. Susan would like to

preach about the Gospel text today, and has decided to squelch this section of 1st Corinthians.

Nevertheless, this epistle is hugely important to understanding Paul’s message to the Gentiles he evangelizes, and their responses. He is writing to a Christian congregation he had founded in Corinth, Greece, in response to their questions and concerns. Paul still believes that Jesus will be returning any day now, and so his new Christian friends should stay pure, single, and patient. 2,000 years later, our expectations are very different, and so is our advice to new Christians, thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn: _____ Verses 1,2,3 of *Will you come and follow me?*



1. Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name? _____
2. Will you leave your - self me - hind if I but call your name? _____
3. Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your name? _____
4. Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call you name? _____
5. Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call my name. _____

Will you go where you don't know and nev - er be the same? _____
Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er be the same? _____
Will you set the pris - oners free and nev - er be the same? _____
Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er be the same? _____
Let me turn and fol - ow you and nev - er be the same. _____

Will you let my love be shown; _____ will you let my name be known; _____
Will you risk the hos - tile stare _____ should your life at - tract or scare? _____
Will you kiss the lep - er clean, _____ and do such as this un - seen, _____
Will you use the faith you've found _____ to re - shape the world a - round, _____
In your com - pa - ny I'll go _____ where your love and foot - steps show. _____

will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?
Will you let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me?
and ad - mit to what I mean in you and you in me?
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

The Gospel Reading *Please stand* _____ **John 1:43-51**

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

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

Sequence Hymn concludes (above) _____ **Verses 4,5**

The Sermon *Please be seated* _____ *The Rev. Susan Anslow Williams*
Please remain in silence for a moment of reflection following the sermon.

The Nicene Creed *Please 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 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 *Please stand or kneel* _____

Intercessor Let us lift our hearts to the One who calls us, saying, We call to you, O Lord. **And we are listening for your voice.**

We pray for the Church, that the hearts of the leaders and those who are led be turned toward you. Call us to support your work in the world through the Church. We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Skip, our Assisting Bishop; our Priest and Deacon. *Silence.* We call to you, O Lord.

People **And we are listening for your voice.**

Intercessor We pray for those who govern the nations of the world, that their leadership be wise and compassionate. Call us to informed and cooperative citizenship. We pray for Joseph, our President; Gretchen, our Governor, the Congress and courts of the land.. *Silence.* We call to you, O Lord.

People **And we are listening for your voice.**

Intercessor We pray for people in every corner of the world, especially for those who lack adequate food, shelter and hope. Call us to compassionate action. We pray for the people of Gaza, and of Ukraine, and all places where injustice, war and violence hold sway. *Silence.* We call to you, O Lord.

People **And we are listening for your voice.**

Intercessor We pray for those close to our hearts who suffer from illness, anxiety, who face challenges and transitions; who struggle with your will in their lives. We pray today for those we now name.

Please add your petitions either silently or aloud. Silence.

We call to you, O Lord.

People **And we are listening for your voice.**

Intercessor We pray for those who will be born this day, that they will be embraced by loving communities. We pray for those who are dying and those who now rest in your eternal embrace. We pray for those we now name.

Please add your petitions either silently or aloud. Silence.

We call to you, O Lord.

People **And we are listening for your voice.**

Priest Almighty God, by the hand of Moses your servant you led your people out of slavery, and made them free at last: Grant that your Church, following the example of your prophet Martin Luther King, may resist oppression in the name of your love, and may secure for all your children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin *Please stand or kneel* _____

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

Absolution

Presider 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 *Please stand*

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Let us greet one another with the Peace of Christ!

Milestones and Announcements

The Offertory, *following an invitation to generosity from the priest*

If you wish to give online, point your phone's camera at the QR code to the right and tap the webpage that pops up. It will take you to the St. Jude's online giving form!



Offertory Hymn _____ *We are called*



1. Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the
 2. Come! O - pen your heart! Show your mer - cy to
 3. Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when



love of the Lord! We are called to be light for the
 all those in fear! We are called to be hope for the
 all will be one! God will reign, and we'll walk with each



king - dom, to live in the free - dom of the cit - y of
 hope - less so all ha - tred and blind - ness will be no
 oth - er as sis - ters and br; oth - ers u - nit - ed in



God! We are called to act with jus - tice, we are
 more!
 love!



called to love ten - der - ly, we are called to serve one an - oth - er;



to walk hum - bly with God!

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The Doxology *Please stand & join in singing* _____

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 Celebration of the Eucharist

The Eucharistic Prayer A

Priest The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Priest Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
Priest 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 *Santo, santo, santo*

1. San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zon te a - do - ra! Mi
2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - does you! My
3. San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zon te a - do - ra! Mi

cor - a zon te sa - be de - cir: san - to - re Se - ñor.
heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, Lord.
cor - a zon to sa - be de - cir: san - to - re Se - ñor.

The people may remain standing or may kneel

Priest Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Priest We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.

All **Amen!**

The Lord's Prayer _____

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

All 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 Bread, *silence follows*

Fraction Anthem: WLP #874, refrain _____ *Whoever eats this bread*

Cantor, then all repeat:

Principal Canon

Who - ev - er eats this bread will live for - ev - er.

Who - ev - er eats this bread will live for - ev - er.

An Invitation to Communion *is said by the clergy* _____ *source: Iona Community*

Our feast of bread and wine is now made ready.
It is the feast of company with Jesus, and all who love him.
So come and share in this banquet:
You have much faith and you who would like to have more;
you who have been here often, and you who have not been for a long time;
you who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed.
Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.
These are gifts of God for you, the people of God.

The Communion

*Please be seated until invited by the Ushers to come forward, or let them know if you would like Communion brought to you in the pew. **All are welcome** but no one is obliged to receive. If you would prefer not to receive Communion, please cross your arms across your chest indicating you would like to receive a blessing instead. Today we are blessing gluten-free bread. The wine may be sipped from the chalice, or wait to intinct (dip your bread) into the small bowl of blessed wine. Please do not intinct into the chalice.*

Communion Hymn, WLP #812 _____ I, the Lord of sea and sky

Prayer after Communion *Please stand as able* _____

Priest Let us pray.

People 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.

Epiphany Blessing _____

Priest May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord. And the blessing of God Almighty: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you, always. **Amen.**

The Sending Out

Sending Out Hymn #535 _____ Ye servants of God, your master proclaim

Sending Out _____

The Deacon dismisses the congregation, after which the people respond:

Thanks be to God!

Postlude_____

The flowers that decorate our church this morning were given to the glory of God by Judy Marinco in celebration of her husband, Mike Marinco's birthday (1/15).

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Ron Spaulding
LEM: Lynn Hopper
2nd Chalice: Amy Freeman
Reader: Amy Freeman
Prayers: Rev. H. Wayne Knotts
Ushers: Charlie Johnston & Jeff Wood
Live-streamer: Paul Dolza
Altar Guild: Terri Hutchins & Francine Johnston
Vestry P. of Day: Francine Johnston
Coffee Hour: Bill & Theresa Anderson

Office Closed Monday, January 15 for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

1/16 Tuesday Counter: Francine Johnston

1/18 Thus. Office Volunteer: Judy Marinco

Serving Next Week, January 21

LEM: Clay Putnam
2nd Chalice: Dee Grossmann
Reader: Katie Young
Prayers: Dee Grossmann
Ushers: Lisa & Kelly Cronk
Live-streamer: Dave Rayner
Altar Guild: Sarah Dolza & Gay Adams
Vestry P. of Day: Clay Putnam
Coffee Hour: Clay & Diane Putnam

1/22 Office Volunteer: Ellen Tripp

1/23 Counter: Lynne Ronthi

1/25 Office Volunteer: Lynne Ronthi

Happening This Week at St Jude's

TODAY, 1/14	10:30 am	Worship in church/livestreamed to Facebook
Tuesday, 1/16	1 pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry
Wednesday, 1/17	10 am	Alanon Meeting, library
Thursday, 1/18	7:30 pm	N.A. meeting, VH
Saturday, 1/20	8 am – 1:30 pm	Blood Drive, VH
Sunday, 1/21	9:15 am	Adult Formation, VH
	10:30 am	Worship in church/livestreamed to Facebook

Prayer List

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for Skip, our Assisting Bishop; for the Standing Committees of the Dioceses of Eastern & Western Michigan; for Susan, our Priest-in-Charge; for Judy, our Deacon; for the Vestry.

For Al; Margaret; Bill; Todd; Diane; Sue; Barbara & Joe; Cindy; Cathy; Molly; Cory; Dale; Sue; Linda; Marcia; Gabe; Rose; Joan; Rex & Judi; Jim; Bob; Jim; Sharon; Alan; Mia; June; Ed; Carl; Sydne; Laura; Liz; Mike; Mary Lou; Pedro; James; Randy; Jack; Sherry; Pam; John; Francine; Sara; Marsha; Chet; Leonard; Ron; Ellen; Glenn; Jim; Patti; Brad; Vince; and Zack.

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