

HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
January 16, Second Sunday after the Epiphany
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† WE KNOW CHRIST'S PRESENCE IN THE WORD †

Opening Hymn: Songs of Thankfulness and Praise
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**Songs of thankfulness and praise,
Jesus, Lord, to thee we raise,
manifested by the star
to the sages from afar**

**branch of royal David's stem
in thy birth at Bethlehem;
anthems be to thee addressed,
God in man made manifest.**

**Manifest at Jordan's stream,
Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;
and at Cana, wedding-guest
in thy God-head manifest;**

**manifest in power divine,
changing water into wine;
anthems be to thee addressed
God in man made manifest.**

**Manifest in making whole
palsied limbs and fainting soul;
manifest in valiant fight,
quelling all the devil's might.**

**Manifest in gracious will,
ever bringing good from ill;
anthems be to thee addressed,
God in man made manifest.**

**Manifest on mountain height,
shining in resplendent light,
where disciples filled with awe
thy transfigured glory saw**

**When from there thou leddest them
steadfast to Jerusalem,
cross and Easter Day attest
God in man made manifest.**

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be the One, Holy and Living God.

People: Glory to God forever and ever.

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.**

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Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

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.**

Lessons

Isaiah 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,

until her vindication shines out like the dawn,
and her salvation like a burning torch.

The nations shall see your vindication,
and all the kings your glory;

and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the Lord will give.

You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

You shall no more be termed Forsaken,
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;

but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,
and your land Married;

for the Lord delights in you,
and your land shall be married.

For as a young man marries a young woman,
so shall your builder marry you,

and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 36:5-10

5 Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, *
and your faithfulness to the clouds.

6 Your righteousness is like the strong mountains,
your justice like the great deep; *
you save both man and beast, O Lord.

7 How priceless is your love, O God! *
your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

8 They feast upon the abundance of your house; *
you give them drink from the river of your delights.

9 For with you is the well of life, *

and in your light we see light.

10 Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you, *
and your favor to those who are true of heart.

The Epistle

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

How Wondrous and Great H 533

**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.**

**To nations of earth thy lights 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.**

Gospel Announcement

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you Lord Christ.

The Gospel

John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you Lord Christ

Sermon

The Rev. Erin Rath†

Nicene Creed

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear when we pray in the name of your Son. Therefore in confidence and trust we pray for the Church:

(Particular intercessions/thanksgivings may be offered.)

Father, enliven the Church for its mission
that we may be salt of the earth and light to the world.

Breathe fresh life into your people.
Give us power to reveal Christ in word and action.

We pray for the world:
(Particular intercessions/thanksgivings may be offered.)

Creator of all, lead us and every people into ways of justice and peace.
That we may respect one another in freedom and truth.

Awaken in us a sense of wonder for the earth and all that is in it.
Teach us to care creatively for its resources.

We pray for the community:
(Particular intercessions/thanksgivings may be offered.)

God of truth, inspire with your wisdom those whose decisions affect the lives of others.

That all may act with integrity and courage.

Give grace to all whose lives are linked to ours.
May we serve Christ in one another, and love as he loves us.

We pray for those in need:
(Particular intercessions/thanksgivings may be offered.)

God of hope, comfort and restore all who suffer in body, mind or spirit.
May they know the power of your healing love.

Make us willing agents of your compassion.
Strengthen us as we share in making people whole.

We remember those who have died and those who mourn:
(Particular intercessions/thanksgivings may be offered.)

We remember with thanksgiving those who have died in the faith of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone.
Father, into your hands we commend them.

Give comfort to those who mourn.
Bring them peace in their time of loss.

We praise you for (N and) all your saints who have entered your eternal glory.
May their example inspire and encourage us.

We pray for ourselves and our ministries:
(Particular intercessions/thanksgivings may be offered.)

Lord, you have called us to serve you.

Grant that we may walk in your presence: your love in our hearts, your truth in our minds, your strength in our wills; until, at the end of our journey, we know the joy of our homecoming and the welcome of your embrace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Holy Cross Prayer

Almighty God, whose son was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world into his saving embrace: Bless, preserve, and nurture all your people, and especially the people of Holy Cross, that we may grow in you. Renew us by the power of your Holy Spirit that our love deepens, our faith is confirmed and our commitment to your service endures. Give us the power to offer you all we have, believing that you will bless it and make it an abundant offering to the world in your name. And as you transform our gifts O Lord, transform us. That we may become your disciples, who know Christ and make Him known. For it is in your name that we pray, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Amen.

Confession of Sin

**Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.
(Silence may be kept)**

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

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

(Let us greet one another in the name of Christ)

Announcements

Offertory

Reckless Love

**Before I spoke a word,
You were singing over me
You have been so, so good to me**

**Before I took a breath,
You breathed Your life in me
You have been so, so kind to me**

**O, the overwhelming, never-ending
Reckless love of God**

**O, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found,
Leaves the ninety-nine**

**I couldn't earn it, don't deserve it,
Still You give Yourself away
O, the overwhelming, never-ending,
Reckless love of God**

**When I was Your foe, still Your love fought for me
You have been so, so good to me
When I felt no worth, You paid it all for me
You have been so, so kind to me**

**O, the overwhelming, never-ending
Reckless love of God
O, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found,
Leaves the ninety-nine**

**I couldn't earn it, don't deserve it,
Still You give Yourself away
O, the overwhelming, never-ending,
Reckless love of God
There's no shadow You won't light up
Mountain You won't climb up
Coming after me**

**There's no wall You won't kick down
Lie You won't tear down
Coming after me**

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Eucharistic Prayer 2

***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 our thanks and praise.

Celebrant

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways.

But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing (say):

Celebrant and People

**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.

Then the Celebrant continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with [_____ and] all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Fraction Anthem

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia

The Communion of the People

Wonderful Maker

**You spread out the skies
over empty space
Said, "Let there be light"
to a dark and formless world
Your light was born**

**You spread out your arms
over empty hearts
Said, "Let there be light"
to a dark and hopeless world
Your Son was born**

**You made the world
and saw that it was good**

**You sent your only Son
for You are good**

**What a wonderful Maker
What a wonderful Savior
How majestic your whispers
And how humble your love**

**With a strength like no other
And the heart of a Father
How Majestic Your Whispers
What a wonderful God**

**No eye has fully seen
how beautiful the Cross
And we have only heard
the faintest whispers
Of how great You are**

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Post Communion Prayer:

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; And you have made us one with all your people in

heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

PRAYER FOR SENDING FORTH EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Please Stand

Celebrant: We send you out to share Communion this week.

People: May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of Christ's presence.

Celebrant: May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in that community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen

The Blessing:

Response: Amen

Closing Music:

Trading My Sorrows

Darrell Evans

I'm trading my sorrow
I'm trading my shame
I'm laying them down
for the joy of the Lord

I'm trading my sickness
I'm trading my pain
I'm laying them down
for the joy of the Lord

We say Yes Lord, yes Lord yes yes Lord
Yes Lord, yes Lord yes yes Lord
Yes Lord, yes Lord yes yes Lord. Amen.

I am pressed but not crushed
Persecuted not abandoned
Struck down but not destroyed

I am blessed beyond the curse
for his promise will endure
That his joy's gonna be my strength

Though the sorrow may last
for the night

His joy comes with the morning

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Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



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