

The Fourth Sunday in Epiphany

Holy Eucharist

January 29, 2023 – 10:30am

PRELUDE | Ricercata

J.K. Kerll (1627-1693)

The Word of God

Congregational responses are printed in bold.

HYMN | Tell out my soul (Birmingham)

hymnal 437

1 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his word;
in God my Savior shall my heart rejoice.

2 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his Name!
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;
his holy Name— the Lord, the Mighty One.

3 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by.
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

4 Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and for evermore!

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: God 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.**

Hear what the LORD says:

Rise, plead your case before the mountains,
and let the hills hear your voice.

Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the LORD,
and you enduring foundations of the earth;

for the LORD has a controversy with his people,
and he will contend with Israel.

“O my people, what have I done to you?
In what have I wearied you? Answer me!

For I brought you up from the land of Egypt,
and redeemed you from the house of slavery;

and I sent before you Moses,
Aaron, and Miriam.

O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised,
what Balaam son of Beor answered him,

and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal,
that you may know the saving acts of the LORD.”

“With what shall I come before the LORD,
and bow myself before God on high?

Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings,
with calves a year old?

Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams,
with tens of thousands of rivers of oil?

Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”

He has told you, O mortal, what is good;
and what does the LORD require of you

but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 15 | *The congregation joins in singing the verses in bold print.*

E. J. Hopkins
(1818-1901)



- 1 O God, who may dwell in your | taber|nacle;*
who may abide up|on your | holy | hill?
- 2 Those who lead blameless lives and | do what ■ is | right,*
who speak | truthful■ly | from the | heart.

- 3 **There is no guile upon their tongues; ~ they do no evil | to their | friends;***
 they do not heap con|tempt up|on their | neighbors;
- 4 **In their sight the | wicked ▪ are re|jected,***
 but they honor | those who | fear | God.
- 5 **They have sworn to | do no | wrong***
 and | do not ▪ take | back their | word.
- 6 **They do not give their money in | hope of | gain,***
 nor do they take a | bribe a|gainst the | innocent.
- 7 Whoever | does these | things*
 shall | never ▪ be | over|thrown.

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THE EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
 and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.
People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN | Blest are the pure in heart (Franconia)

hymnal 656

- 1 Blest are the pure in heart, for they shall see our God;
 the secret of the Lord is theirs, their soul is Christ's abode.
- 2 The Lord, who left the heavens our life and peace to bring,
 to dwell in lowliness with us, our pattern and our King;
- 3 he to the lowly soul will still himself impart
 and for his dwelling and his throne will choose the pure in heart.

4 Lord, we thy presence seek; may ours this blessing be;
give us a pure and lowly heart, a temple fit for thee.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1-12

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

Gospeller: **The Gospel of Our Savior.**
People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Rev. Andy Jones

A brief silence follows the sermon.

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**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

Intercessor: Risen Lord,

People: Hear our prayer.

CONFESSION

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 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

Presider: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

CELEBRATIONS AND INVITATIONS

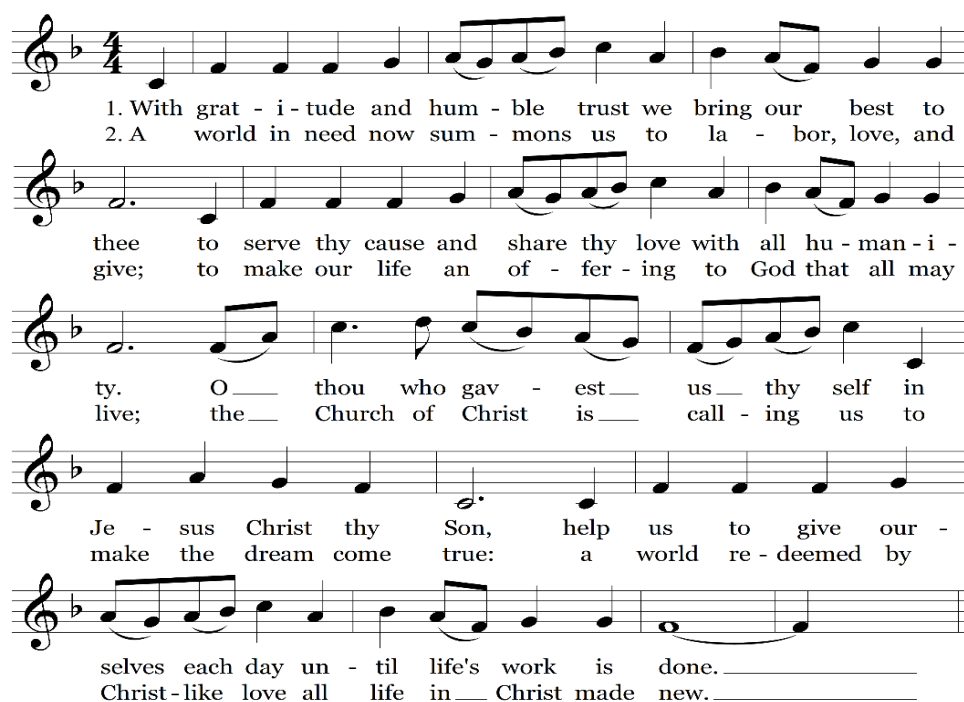
The Holy Communion

CHORAL | What shall I render to the Lord?
Sung by the choir

Text Psalm 116: 12-14, 17-19
music by Peter Tiefenbach, b. 1968

What shall I render to the Lord for all his benefits to me?
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call on the name of the Lord.
I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.
I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all his people.
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

OFFERTORY HYMN | With gratitude and humble trust



1. With grat - i - tude and hum - ble trust we bring our best to
2. A world in need now sum - mons us to la - bor, love, and
thee to serve thy cause and share thy love with all hu - man - i -
give; to make our life an of - fer - ing to God that all may
ty. O — thou who gav - est — us — thy self in
live; the — Church of Christ is — call - ing us to
Je - sus Christ thy Son, help us to give our -
make the dream come true: a world re - deemed by
selves each day un - til life's work is done. _____
Christ-like love all life in — Christ made new. _____

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

SURSUM CORDA

Presider: God be with you.

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

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

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

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***People:* It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, 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 | Holy, holy, holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of pow - er, God of might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. —
— Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is the One who comes in the name,
in the name — of — the Lord. Ho - san - na
in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Presider: Holy and gracious God:

People: **In your infinite love you made us for yourself;**

Presider: 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 maker of all.

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

Presider: On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our **Savior** Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said,

People: **“Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”**

Presider: After supper **Jesus** took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said,

People: **“Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”**

Presider: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Presider: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

People: **Recalling *Christ's* death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.**

Presider: 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 Christ.

People: **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.**

Presider: All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER | *contemporary, said*

Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in
hea - ven. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who
sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of trial,
and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow - er,
and the glo - ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men. |

FRACTION | Christ Our Passover

This setting is not used in Lent.



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 forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

HYMN | Guide me, O thou great Jehovah (Vwm Rhondda)

hymnal 593

1 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand;
bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore.

2 Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through;
strong deliverer, strong deliverer. be thou still my strength and shield, be thou still my strength and shield.

3 When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side;
songs of praises, songs of praises, I will ever give to thee, I will ever give to thee.

DISMISSAL

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE | Voluntary on *Cwm Rhondda*

Paul O. Manz (1919-2009)

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

Tuesday, January 31

8:00am Morning Prayer (Zoom)
6:30pm Hymn Study (Zoom)
7:00pm Book Discussion Series on Gun Violence
(Parish Hall and Zoom)

Wednesday, February 1

6:30am Dawn Patrol Bible Study
8:00am Morning Prayer (Zoom)
7:30pm Benedictine Cell Group

Thursday, February 2

6pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
7:00pm Choral Evensong

Saturday, February 4

8:00am Men's Group Breakfast

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

8:00am Eucharist

Spoken Eucharist

10:30am Eucharist

Choral Eucharist

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