



The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Sunday, January 26, 2025

Prelude:

Aria on My Hope is Built on Nothing Less
John Stainer, arr. John A. Behnke

Opening Hymn:

Christ for the world we sing

Hymn 537

Morning Prayer: Rite Two

BCP 78

Officiant: Grace to you and peace from God our Father
and from the Lord Jesus Christ. *Philippians 1:2*

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

People: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Alleluia.

Officiant: Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
Come let us adore him.

Sung by Officiant and People

Venite

Hymnal S35

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, *

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his
hand. *

Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Lector: Psalm 19

1 The heavens declare the glory of God, *
and the firmament shows his handiwork.

2 One day tells its tale to another, *
and one night imparts knowledge to another.

3 Although they have no words or language, *
and their voices are not heard,

4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, *
and their message to the ends of the world.

5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; *
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the end of it again; *
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

7 The law of the Lord is perfect
and revives the soul; *
the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to
the innocent.

8 The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; *
the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to
the eyes.

9 The fear of the Lord is pure and endures forever; *
the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous
altogether.

10 More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine gold, *
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.

11 By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward.

12 Who can tell how often he offends? *
cleanse me from my secret faults.

13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous
sins; let them not get dominion over me; *
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a
great offense.

14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart be acceptable in your sight, *
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy
Spirit. Amen.**

The Lessons

Lector: Old Testament

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

All the people of Israel gathered together into the square
before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring
the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given

to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law.

And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Epistle

Lector: A reading from 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all

baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you."

On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work

miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Canticle 1: Song of the Redeemed

1. We mar - vel at your might - y deeds, Lord God of time and
 2. Who shall not pay you hom - age, Lord, and bless your sa - cred

space; we praise your truth and right - eous - ness, great
 Name? Be - cause your just and ho - ly works your

King of bound - less grace: for through each won - der
 sov - ereign power pro - claim, all na - tions will at

and de - cree your stead - fast love we trace.
 last draw near and you a - lone ac - claim.

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 harm. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944)

MORNING SONG
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Officiant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **Luke 4:14-21**

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,

because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go
free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant,
and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were
fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this
scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

Officiant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Reflection

The Apostles' Creed

Officiant and People together all standing:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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.**

The Prayers

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

**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 Suffrages

Officiant (V) and People (R):

V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.

V. Day by day we bless you;

R. We praise your name forever.

V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;

R. Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.

V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;

R. For we put our trust in you.

V. In you, Lord, is our hope;

R. And we shall never hope in vain.

The Collect of the Day

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant: Let us pray.

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Collect for Sundays

Officiant: O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

Lector: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and
humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
*That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and
Sacraments.*

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the
nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or
trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

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

We pray for those on the Anglican and Diocesan Cycles of Prayer and our Parish Family and Friends

We pray for: the Archbishop of York - Stephen Cottrell, the
Bishop of London - Dame Sarah Mullally, and the Bishop of

Dover - Rose Hudson-Wilkin. Sean, Our Presiding Bishop, Mariann Our Bishop and Vikki, our Rector; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

St. Andrew's Church, College Park

St. Andrew's Church, Leonardtown

St. Andrew's Episcopal School

St. Andrew's Lower School, Potomac

Episcopal Relief and Development

Samaritan Ministry of Greater Washington

Prayers for Religious Life and the many within the Episcopal Church who have decided to live under a rule of life and vows as part of a monastic and Christian community

For the people of St. Bartholomew's we pray for:

Kim Bamburak, Judy O'Neil, Meredith Smith, Delbert

Wemple, Lydia Brittle, Scott Peterson, Stevie Grimes,

Nancy Harding, Janet McMurtray

Carolann Guerette (V. Cross)

Frank and Jerry Cross (V. Cross)

Susan Oliver (J. Shea)

Daniel Oliver (J. Shea)

Thomas Cooper and Mrs. Boyd (D. Burton)

Roseann Royle (N. Row)

Darcy Alt (S. Henderson)

Pam Jagusch (S. Grimes)

Jeff Weinberger (S. Henderson)

The Dodge Family (M. Wemple)

Seth Washington (S. Grimes)

Amy Morris (D. Howard)

Amanda Graham (A. Fitts)

Michele Shirron (V. Clayton & N. Row)

Gerald Holbrook (M. Wemple)

Caroline Cross (M. Wemple)
Christine Pearson (V. Cross & J. Rutherford)
Chris Fountas (J. Rutherford)
Edmund Ground (M. Smith)
Allie Ground (M. Smith)
Maurice La Marque (N. Row)
Michelle La Marque (N. Row)
Andy Burns (J. Peterson)
J.J. Sandy (M. Wemple)
Steve MacKison (J. McMurtray)
Garry Ground (M. Smith)
Bill Tei (M. Wemple)
Felicia Taylor Popowski (B. Taylor)
Angela McKenzie (S. Henderson)
Mercy Frederick Ozuruonye (C. Frederick)
Anna Kuhlmann (N. Row)
Matthew Cooper (D. Starkweather)
Deanna Wheeler (D. Howard)

January Birthdays

Stevie Grimes	January 5
Lois Leigh	January 8
Maya Fitts	January 11
Lauren Bray Murtiff	January 12
Trevor Zolkiewicz	January 18
Jamie Kaufmann	January 20
Vikki Clayton	January 22
Jack Hauber	January 24
Jennifer Rutherford	January 27

Officiant:

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, o lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Choral Anthem:

One Bread, One Body, John Foley

The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People:

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.**

**We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;**

**but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus
Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of
glory.**

**And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your
mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show
forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our
lives, by giving up ourselves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

Closing hymn:

O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling **Hymn 539**

Officiant: May the God of hope fill us with all joy and
peace in believing through the power of the Holy
Spirit. **Amen.**

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude:

Trumpet Voluntary in D, John Stanley, arr. Geoffrey Edwards

Please leave your offering in the collection plate located at the table near the entry doors.

Morning Prayer Officiant Sally Hauber

Lector: Jennifer Rutherford

Broadcast Technician Jeff Bergstrom

Usher Jack Hauber

Flower Guild Jaimie Kaufmann

Choir Director, Music Director, and Organist

Lauren Fisher

St. Bartholomew's Choir

Jeff Bergsten, Bill Fitts, Charley Hendricks, Judy O'Neil, Maggie Ramey, Jennifer Rutherford, Judith Schneider

St. Bartholomew's Vestry

Senior Warden Lois Leigh

Junior Warden Jeff Bergsten

Vestry:

Victoria Cross, Lauren Fisher, William Fitts, Charles Frederick, David Landrith, Lauren Murtiff, Robert Palmer, Judith Schneider

Announcements:

Coffee Hour is hosted by Rob and Marjorie Blanc, join us in the undercroft. Next week is "Groundhog Day Sunday" hosted by Jamie Kaufmann with help from Lauren Fisher and Victoria Cross.

Annual Meeting

Our Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, Feb. 16 following the 11 a.m. service. Please plan to attend as we need a quorum.

We'll go over the budget for 2025, elect two new members to the vestry and a Junior Warden. A festive luncheon in the undercroft is planned for after the meeting.

Forward Day by Day

The new edition of Forward Day by Day for February/March/April is in the racks when you enter the church. Pocket and standard sizes are available. Please take one.

Men's Breakfast

The next Men's Breakfast is on Saturday, February 8th at 8:30 am in the undercroft. All the fixings, including bacon, are provided, bring a dish to share if you'd like. Contact Richard Rutherford (richard.rutherford90@gmail.com) for more information.

Bible Study

Bible study is held on Thursdays at 10:30 am via Zoom. We are currently finishing up how we got the Bible in our book *Scribes and Scriptures*. Newcomers are always welcome! Contact Richard Rutherford (richard.rutherford90@gmail.com) for more information, or Victoria (parishadmin@saintbartholomews.org) for the Zoom link.

Olney Help Food Basket

There is a food giving basket for Olney Help in the entry way of the church with a "wish list" of items. Once it is filled Olney Help will come and empty it and we begin the filling process anew. Please help our less fortunate

neighbors by adding a few extra items to your grocery list. Please bring the items in a bag. Thank you for your generosity.

On-Line Giving

There is now the option to contribute to the ministries of St. Bartholomew's by using this QR code:



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