

CHRIST CHURCH

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN ASPEN



THE THIRD SUNDAY
AFTER THE EPIPHANY
JANUARY 24, 2021

Welcome to Christ Church! We're glad you're worshiping with us today.

Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent; for this is the House of God.

Before the service, speak to the Lord; during the service, let the Lord speak to you; after the service, speak to one another.

We welcome you to this time of worship. We are glad to have you join us online.

The bulletin for our service of Ante-Communion can be found at christchurchaspen.org under the worship tab, click "service & handouts". The Bulletin is also linked in the description box below this YouTube video.

The Sunday Newspaper, with the announcements, is distributed electronically in our Sunday Morning enews.

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10:00 AM

THE ANTE-COMMUNION, RITE II
The Book of Common Prayer, pp. 355-360

Prelude

Come, Thou Found with Tchaikovsky's Concerto, Op. 23., Arr. Cindy Berry

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Welcome

Warren Klug

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

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The 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.*

Gloria In Excelsis

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.

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

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.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

A Reading from the Book of Jonah (Jonah 3:1-5, 10)

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

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

A Reading from the Book of Psalms (Psalm 62:6-14)

For God alone my soul in silence waits; *
truly, my hope is in him.

**He alone is my rock and my salvation, *
my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.**

In God is my safety and my honor; *
God is my strong rock and my refuge.

**Put your trust in him always, O people, *
pour out your hearts before him, for God is
our refuge.**

Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, *
even those of low estate cannot be trusted.

**On the scales they are lighter than a breath, *
all of them together.**

Put no trust in extortion;
in robbery take no empty pride; *
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.

**God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, *
that power belongs to God.**

Steadfast love is yours, O Lord, *
for you repay everyone according to his deeds.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. (Please be seated.)**

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians (1 Corinthians 7:29-31)

I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and 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, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

Reader: The Word of the Lord
People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark (Mark 1:14-20)

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

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

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

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

Homily

A period of silence will be kept.



Peter Munson

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.

Welcome / Announcements / Birthday & Anniversary Prayers / Travel Prayers

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Nearer, Still Nearer, Arr. Dan Forrest

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The Prayers of the People (Form III)

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.

In silence or aloud, let us pray for our own needs and the needs of others.
Let us pray for our families and friends at Christ Church, Aspen.

Prayer list Names:

Christ Episcopal Church Members: Marsha Cook, Diana Rumsey, Julia Munson, Catherine Cabaniss, Don Davis, Jessica & Philip Salet, George Baker, Margo & Keith Gardner, BobbiAnn Housma, All those serving their country, the young people and students of Aspen

Friends and Family of CEC Members: Jamie Lawrence, Warren Erbson, Heta & Hubert Townsend, Maude Jernagan, Tony Weglos and family, Brad Noel, Susan & Mickey Spalding, Petra Crimmel, Otto Bontempo

A Prayer for healing

We pray for all the people around the world, in our country and in our own community, who have been affected by the corona virus pandemic. God, you know what we need as all the numbers grow. You are the great physician, the great healer; and we ask for your help as we combat this awful virus. We pray for those who are sick, and we pray for healing. We pray for those who have died, and we pray for families who grieve. We pray for health care workers, and those who minister to people who are afflicted. We pray that vaccines will be available quickly, and distribution will happen. We pray for healing, health, and safe keeping -- to you, Lord Jesus.

A Prayer for our Country

Almighty God, you have given us this good land for our heritage. We pray for our nation, our leaders and our people. We humbly ask that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of your favor and glad to do your will. Bless this land and its people we pray. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion; save us from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way. Defend our liberties we pray. Endue with the spirit of wisdom those to whom in your Name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and, through respect for your law, we may show forth your praise among the nations of the earth. Fill our hearts with gratitude, and in days of trouble, be with us we pray. All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For the President of the United States and all in Civil Authority

O Lord our Governor, whose glory is in all the world: We commend this nation to your merciful care, that, being guided by thy Providence, we may dwell secure in your peace. Grant to the President of the United States, the Governor of this State (or Commonwealth), and to all in authority, wisdom and strength to know and to do your will. Fill them with the love of truth and righteousness, and make them ever mindful of their calling to serve this people in your fear; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

Let us pray for Christ Church

Oh Lord, we pray for your continued blessing on Christ Church and all who are part of the ministries of this place. We pray for Peter, our Interim Rector, and for the leadership of Christ Church. Especially at this time of transition, we ask for your guidance as we pursue our rector search process. We know you have a plan for Christ Church, and we ask for your help as we work to discern your will. Be with us we pray. We lift up our prayer of praise, worship and thanksgiving in Jesus' name. Amen

Please stand

Presider: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

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 grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

Presider: Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good works, and give glory to God.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Thank you for joining with members of Christ Church, Aspen in this time of worship. Have a blessed week.

Postlude

Crown Him with Many Crowns, Arr. Cindy Berry

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