

The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany
Scout Sunday

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GATHER

Scout Flag Ceremony

Acclamation

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
Glory to God for ever and ever.

Collect for Purity

Let us pray.

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.**

Hymn of Praise *Gloria*

Powell

Glo - ry to God in the high - est,
and peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you,
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther:
re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

May God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

WORD

The First Reading *(Isaiah 40:21-31)*

Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 147:1-12, 21c

Hallelujah!

How good it is to sing praises to our God! *

how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!

The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem; *

he gathers the exiles of Israel.

He heals the brokenhearted *

and binds up their wounds.

He counts the number of the stars *
and calls them all by their names.
Great is our Lord and mighty in power; *
there is no limit to his wisdom.
The Lord lifts up the lowly, *
but casts the wicked to the ground.
Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; *
make music to our God upon the harp.
He covers the heavens with clouds *
and prepares rain for the earth;
He makes grass to grow upon the mountains *
and green plants to serve mankind.
He provides food for flocks and herds *
and for the young ravens when they cry.
He is not impressed by the might of a horse; *
he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;
But the Lord has pleasure in those who fear him, *
in those who await his gracious favor.
Hallelujah!

The Second Reading *(1 Corinthians 9:16-23)*

If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Alleluia *Celtic Alleluia*

Walker/O'Carroll

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The image shows two staves of musical notation for the Celtic Alleluia. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#), and a 6/8 time signature. The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes with various rests and slurs. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!' are written below the notes. The second staff continues the melody and lyrics, ending with a double bar line.

The Holy Gospel *(Mark 1:29-39)*

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After Jesus and his disciples left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

Nancy Smith, DOV Intern

The 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.

The Prayers of the People

Intercessions for the Christian People (adapted)

Jesus went through Galilee preaching and healing and showing compassion to those in need. As God comes no less today to those for whom we pray, let us offer our prayers, saying: Lord, in your compassion, hear our prayer.

Creator of all, look with favor upon the peoples of the world. In your mercy, give to all people the necessities of a dignified life. Lord, in your compassion, **hear our prayer.**

Ruler of creation, instill wisdom and understanding among the leaders of nations. Guide them into ways of justice and peace. Lord, in your compassion, **hear our prayer.**

Lord of the church, gather us all into one holy communion. Give us the courage to look to you alone as the source of our unity. Lord, in your compassion, **hear our prayer.**

Great Physician, bring healing to all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. We pray for those we know and love and for those known only to you. Inspire us to care for your gifts of healthy bodies and minds. Lord, in your compassion, **hear our prayer.**

Spirit of the living Christ, fill us with expectation and eager longing for the coming of that day when no one will suffer, but when all will be gathered together in heavenly joy and eternal prosperity. Lord, in your compassion, **hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions are offered.

Celebrant:

All this we ask, O God, in the name of Christ, who died and rose for us, and whose coming in glory we await. Accept our prayers and praises, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

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 Lord's Prayer

As our Savior Christ taught us, we now 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 Peace

May the peace of Christ be always with you.
And also with you.

Welcome & Announcements

Thanksgivings of the Community

You are invited to come forward to offer public thanks for the movement of God's Spirit in your own life: thanks for a birthday, an anniversary, a new job, and unexpected act of compassion, or another grace-filled change in your life. We close this time with the following prayer:

O God, our times are in your hands: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they mark this day. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scout Sunday Blessing

The Blessing

Go in safety, for you cannot go where God is not.

Go in love, for love alone endures.

Go in peace, for that is God's gift to those whose hearts and minds are in God's son Jesus.
And the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hymn: Surely it is God who saves me



1 Sure - ly it is God who saves me; trust - ing him, I shall not
2 Make his deeds known to the peo - ples; tell out his ex - alt - ed
fear. For the Lord de - fends and shields me and his sav - ing
Name. Praise the Lord, who has done great things; all his works his
help is near. So re - jice as you draw wa - ter from sal -
might pro - claim. Zi - on, lift your voice in sing - ing; for with
va - tion's liv - ing spring; in the day of your de -
you has come to dwell, in your ve - ry midst, the
liv - erance thank the Lord, his mer - cies sing,
great and Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

A Liturgy of Farewell

God of our beginnings and endings,
we celebrate all we have shared with Nancy
and ask your blessing as she continues on her journey.
May the power of your presence
bless this moment of our leave-taking;
this we ask for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen

As you journey onward,
we give thanks for all you have given us;
we ask forgiveness where we have fallen short;
we assure you of our love and prayers.

Gather to lay on hands

We praise and thank you, God of the journey,
for our sister who is soon to leave us.
We entrust her into your loving care,
knowing that you are always the faithful traveler and companion on the Way.
Shelter and protect her from all harm and anxiety.
Grant her the courage to meet the future, and grace to go into new life;
Through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Scout Flag Closing

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia!