

Welcome! As our Lord Jesus Christ said, Peace be with you. Wherever you come from and wherever you are on your journey of faith, we are glad you are with us. Let us enter into God's presence together.

Last Sunday after the Epiphany

February 11, 2024

10:00 a.m.

Watch and subscribe on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQdMrwgOpQqS6vn68WMxhow>

Prelude

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

F. Melius Christiansen

Opening Hymn.....*"Christ, whose glory fills the skies"*.....Hymnal #7

THE WORD OF GOD

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

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

The Celebrant may say

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.**

Song of Praise

Cantor



1 Rise up! Shine! Your light has come.
2 Bring him gold and spices rare.
3 We have seen his star so bright.

All



Je - sus, the light of the world.

Cantor



Glo - ry dawns on ev - 'ry - one.
Praise his glo - ry ev - 'ry - where.
Come and wor - ship with de - light.

All



Je - sus, the light of the world. We'll


Refrain



walk in the light, beau - ti - ful light,



come where the dew - drops of mer - cy are bright.



Shine all a - round us by day and by night,



Je - sus, the Light of the world.

Text: Isaiah 60:1, 6; Matthew 2:2, para. Daniel Schwandt; George D. Elderkin, refrain
Music: WE'LL WALK IN THE LIGHT, traditional, arr. Daniel Schwandt
Text and arrangement © 2013 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved.

The Collect

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson

A Reading from the Second Book of Kings

(2 Kings 2:1-12)

When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, “Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel.” But Elisha said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?” And he said, “Yes, I know; keep silent.”

Elijah said to him, “Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho.” But he said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?” And he answered, “Yes, I know; be silent.”

Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.” But he said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.” Elisha said, “Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.” He responded, “You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.” As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, “Father, father! The chariots

of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 50:1-6

The antiphon is first sung by a cantor, then repeated by all.



The verses are sung by a cantor. All sing the antiphon where indicated.

The mighty one, God the LORD, has spoken;
calling the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty,
God shines forth in glory. ***Antiphon***

Our God will come and will not keep silence;
with a consuming flame before, and round about a raging storm.
God calls the heavens and the earth from above
to witness the judgment of the people.
"Gather before me my loyal followers,
those who have made a covenant with me
and sealed it with sacrifice."

The heavens declare the rightness of God's cause,
for it is God who is judge. ***Antiphon***

Text from *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* © 2006

Music by Thomas Pavlechko © 2004, 2012 admin. Augsburg Fortress. Used with permission.

The Second Lesson

A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians
(2 Corinthians 4:3-6)

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God

who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn.....“*Fairest Lord Jesus*”.....Hymnal #383

The Gospel

(Mark 9:2-9)

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Nancy Eggert

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:
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.**

Prayers of the People

Please respond to the bidding, “Lord, in your mercy” with “**Hear our prayer**”

Confession of Sin

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept. Please kneel or stand.

Minister and People

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

The Priest, stands and says

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

Amen

The Peace *All stand.*

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

“Adoration”

Florence B. Price

The Great Thanksgiving Please Stand.

Book of Common Prayer 367

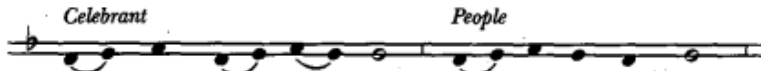
Celebrant: All things come of Thee, O Lord

People: **And of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen.**

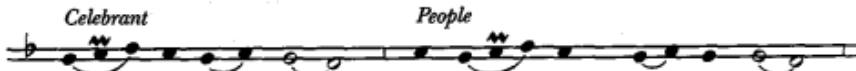
The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer D

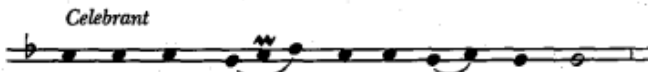
Please Stand



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds:

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

Sanctus

[WLP 851]

Burnham



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na



in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the Name of the



Setting: Jack Warren Burnham (b. 1946)
© 1978 Jack Warren Burnham

The people may stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love ...

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

**We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

The Celebrant continues

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us ...

...Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.



The Lord's Prayer

**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 Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.


A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

[WLP 876]


Burnham

Antiphon
Cantor, then all



The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord _ Je - sus _ in the break - ing _


Fine Verses



_ of the bread.

1. The bread which we break, Al - le - lu -
2. One bo - dy are we, Al - le - lu -

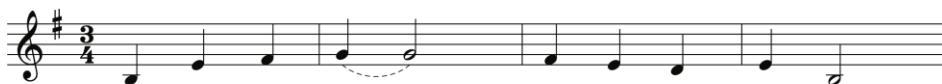
All repeat Antiphon



ia, is the com - mun - ion of the Bo - dy of Christ.
 ia, for though _ ma - ny we share one _ bread.

Communion

In the Episcopal Church, all are welcome at the table of the Lord. If you have been baptized in any Christian tradition, you may receive communion. If you have not been baptized, you are welcome to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you would like to receive a blessing or to indicate that you do not want to receive the bread or wine.



1. Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness.
 2. Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled.
 3. Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry.
 4. Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less.
 5. Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple,



Long - ing for truth, we turn to you.
 Long - ing for hope, man - y de - spair.
 Long - ing for wa - ter, man - y still thirst.
 Long - ing for warmth, man - y are cold.
 Man - y the hearts that yearn to be - long.



Make us your own, your ho - ly peo - ple,
 Your word a - lone has pow'r to save us.
 Make us your bread, bro - ken for oth - ers,
 Make us your build - ing, shel - ter - ing oth - ers,
 Let us be ser - vants to one an - oth - er,



Light for the world to see.
 Make us your liv - ing voice.
 Shared un - til all are fed.
 Walls made of liv - ing stone.
 Mak - ing your king - dom come.

Refrain



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.



Shine through the dark - ness. Christ, be our light!



Shine in your Church gath - ered to - day.

Post-communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and people

**Almighty and ever living God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

Sending out of Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant: (Name), we send you out to share Communion this week with (Name).

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.

All: **Amen.**

Blessing

Please stand.

Closing Hymn

"Ye watchers and ye holy ones"

Hymnal #618

Dismissal

Postlude

"Fanfare"

Antonio Soler

We welcome you in the name of the Risen Lord. Please join us for fellowship in Simpson Hall immediately following the service – coffee, juice, and snacks are available.

TODAY'S MINISTERS

ACOLYTE: Zar Telfeyan, Evan

ALTAR GUILD: Kathie Thompson

FIRST READER: Becky Turk

SECOND READER: Mabel DuPriest

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: David Lang

CANTOR: Jim Cook

PARISH PERSON OF THE DAY: Jessica MacPhail

USHERS: Tricia Frost, Debbie Bruno

TODAY'S COFFEE HOUR: St. Monica's Guild

NEXT WEEK'S COFFEE HOUR: Men of the Church

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For our Parish:

For the Church: In the World

Quinquagesima Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan
St. Marc's Church & school in Jeanette, Haiti
Cadnet Ednerson and Charline Irossaint

For the Episcopal Ministries in Racine:

Congregations of St. Luke's and St. Michael's Diocese of Milwaukee
Hospitality Center
Racine Vocational Ministry
The DeKoven Center

Those who are Sick or in need or Homebound

Debbie, Bethany, Laandan, Tony, Christi, Chris, Ron, Gerald, Lisa, Jean, John, Pam,
Jack, Neil, Olivia, Bill, Kathie, Katie, Sally, Heather, Leah, George, Esther
Homebound Barbara, Jeanne, Shirley

Thanksgiving for Birthdays

Grace, Amber

Special Offering

Cash or checks in the offering that are not designated for regular needs will be given to the Haiti Project. Thank you for your generous support of this ministry.

Altar Flowers

A reminder that Altar flowers chart is up in Simpson Hall for 2024. You can remember a loved one by this nice tribute. If you like to include a dedication in the bulletin please call, put note in offering plate, or e-mail church office no later than Wednesday prior to the service. Thanks!

Today's Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Grace Ellingham and David Lang birthdays, also in memory of Donna M. Lang who would have been her 77th birthday this year by David lang.

Children's Time!

Children's time has been moved to coffee hour, Sunday School. Please bring your children, grandchildren, and friends. Hope to see you!

Please join us this week!

Invite your family, friends and neighbors for the annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper from 5-6:30pm, on Tuesday, February 13 in Simpson Hall. Also known as "Fat Tuesday" the day before Lent begins is a traditional time of feasting, and using up those foods from which we will fast during Lent. There is no charge to attend - free-will donations are gratefully accepted. Volunteers are needed to set up, serve and clean up. Donations of pancake mix, sausage, applesauce, syrup, fruit toppings or money to purchase supplies are most welcome. Please see Cindy for details or to volunteer.

and

Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday, Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes February 14, at 12 noon

St. Luke's Episcopal Church

614 Main Street Racine, WI 53403

Phone: 262-634-5529

Email: stlukesracine@gmail.com Website: www.stlukesracine.com

The Rt. Rev. Matthew Gunter – Assisting Bishop, Diocese of Milwaukee

The Rev. Matthew I. Buterbaugh – Rector and Executive Director of the Hospitality Center
matthew@hospitality-center.org

The Rev. Dr. Nancy Eggert – Affiliated Clergy njeggert@gmail.com

The Rev. Deacon Bob Bagley rbagley43@wi.rr.com

John Weit - Organist

Martha Guzman – Parish Administrator stlukesracine@gmail.com

VESTRY

The Rev. Matthew L. Buterbaugh

Cindy Ganzel - Sr. Warden cjganzel@yahoo.com

Marshall Cushman - Jr. Warden cushmanct@aol.com

Wally Herman - Treasurer

Jessica MacPhail, Tricia Frost, Roger Mertins, Becky Turk, Hazel Dickfoss,
Mick Burke, Wally Herman

