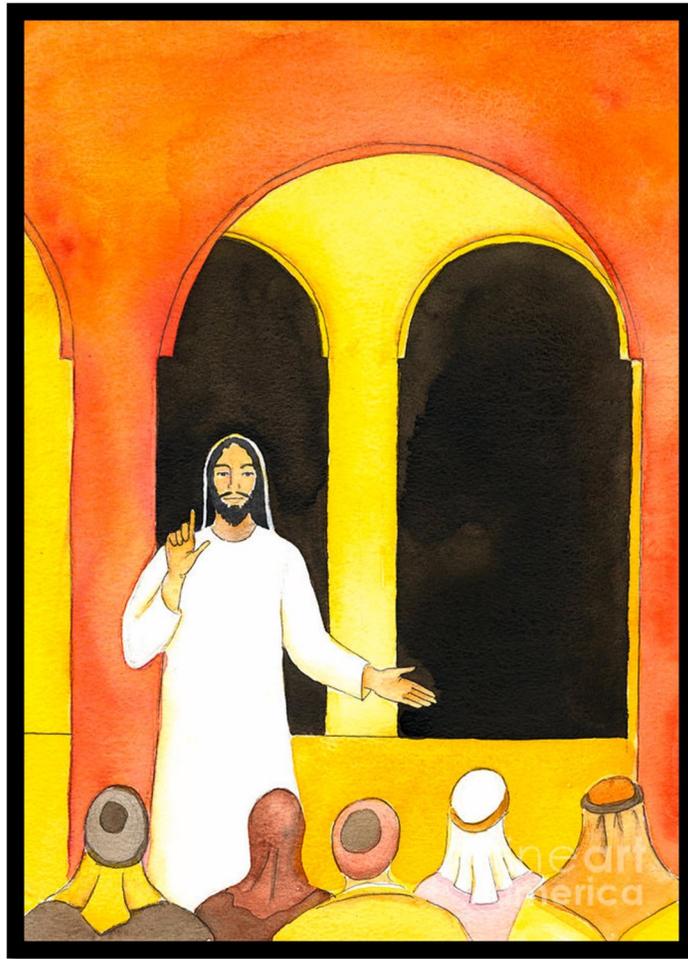


St. Paul's Episcopal Church
The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany
The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

January 30, 2022

10:00 a.m.

The Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts now requires congregants maintain physical distancing (6 ft. or more) between households at all gatherings and that masks be worn by everyone (except children aged 2 and under) at all indoor gatherings.



“Jesus preached in the Temple, speaking the truth, and angering some people who then plotted to harm Him.”

By Elizabeth Wang

Elizabeth Wang (1942-2016) an artist from the United Kingdom, was received into the Catholic Church in 1968. She was an artist and mother who spent much of her time writing and speaking about prayer and the Catholic Faith. She was involved in the life of her home parish of Our Lady of Lourdes, Harpenden, particularly as a catechist. She exhibited at the Royal Academy, and the Royal Institute of Painters in Watercolours. She also had solo exhibitions of religious work at Westminster Cathedral, the Bar Convent Museum (York), the Conference Rooms, St Pauls Bookshop, and at Notre Dame de France church, London. Many of her paintings are published side-by-side with her religious writings. An article published by the Catholic Times in 2005 explained that light is the common factor in all Wang's paintings: lighter colours swathe and swirl darker shapes, enveloping disciples in a tissue of light, encircling Mary with the infant Jesus or shooting out like glorious rays. (radiantlight.org.uk)

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

Gloria in excelsis from *Missa Octavioni*

Gaspard Corrette
1671-1733

Welcome

The Rev. Kate Elledge

Please stand for the

Opening Hymn 598

“Lord Christ, when first thou cam’st to earth”

Mit Freuden zart

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant Blessed are you, holy and living One.

People You come to your people and set them free.

The Celebrant says

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.*

The Gloria S 280 Canticle 20, Glory to God: Gloria in excelsis

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. 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. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. 6. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One,
 you a-lone are the Lord, 7. 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

The Celebrant says to the people

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant continues

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.*

Please be seated for

The Lesson

Jeremiah 1:4-10

The word of the Lord came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you, Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord."

Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 71:1-6

1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; *
 let me never be ashamed.

2 In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; *
 incline your ear to me and save me.

3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; *
 you are my crag and my stronghold.

4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, *
from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.
5 For you are my hope, O Lord GOD, *
my confidence since I was young.
6 I have been sustained by you ever since I was born;
from my mother's womb you have been my strength; *
my praise shall be always of you.

The Epistle

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the

Gospel Hymn 379 (vv. 1, 2)

“God is Love, let heaven adore him”

Abbot's Leigh

The Gospel

Luke 4:21-30

Then, all standing, the Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus began to speak in the synagogue at Nazareth: "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

After the Gospel, the Priest says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Kate Elledge

Said by all, standing

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:
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.

All sit for

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My fellow pilgrims, the Lord is our strong rock, a castle to keep us safe. In confidence, let us pray, “In you, O Lord, have we taken refuge; let us never be ashamed.”

Increase our love, O God. Deliver your Church from boastfulness and arrogance.

Fill us instead with patience and kindness.

Silence

In you, O Lord, have we taken refuge;

Let us never be ashamed.

Increase our love, O God. Deliver this nation from pride and fear. Give us eyes to see your hand at work in all nations and peoples. God, bless the world.

Silence

In you, O Lord, have we taken refuge;

Let us never be ashamed.

Increase our love, O God. Let it not be limited only to other human beings but spread to all that you have made.

Members of the congregation may add their thanksgivings, followed by silence

In you, O Lord, have we taken refuge;

Let us never be ashamed.

Increase our love, O God. May we seek and serve Christ in our neighbors, in family, friends, and strangers.

Silence

In you, O Lord, have we taken refuge;

Let us never be ashamed.

Increase our love, O God. By the power of your great love, heal those who are ill; strengthen those who are struggling to endure great pain. We pray that, as we lift our brothers and sisters to you in prayer, they will, even now, feel our love.

Members of the congregation may their petitions, followed by silence

In you, O Lord, have we taken refuge;

Let us never be ashamed.

Increase our trust in your love, O God. May those who have died find in your presence everlasting and overwhelming love.

Silence

In you, O Lord, have we taken refuge;

Let us never be ashamed.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Hasten, O Father, the coming of your kingdom; and grant that we your servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold your Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

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 Celebrant alone says

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

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offering and come into his courts.

Psalm 96:8

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

Offertory Anthem

Almighty God who hast me brought

Thomas Ford

1580-1648

Almighty God, Who hast me brought in safety to the present day, keep me from sin in heart and thought, and teach me what to do and say. Prosper me, Lord, in all my works, help me with thy continual grace, keep me from Satan vile that lurks to trap my soul in ev'ry place. Almighty Lord and God of love, direct mine heart and guide my ways, amend my miss, my mind remove from all that from thy glory strays.

The Great Thanksgiving *Eucharistic Prayer 3 from "Enriching Our Worship 1"*

The people remain standing. The Celebrant says

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: “Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: “Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ’s coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Presider and People

Dying, you destroyed our death.
Rising, you restored our life.
Christ Jesus, come in glory!

The Presider continues

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit’s power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with [blessed _____, and] all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Presider and People

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say

Celebrant and People

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.

Agnus Dei S 164

“Jesus, Lamb of God”

Franz Peter Schubert

Jesus, Lamb of God:
Have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins:
Have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world:
Give us your peace.

The Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The People remain in their pews while the Celebrant delivers the consecrated bread to each pew. Please wait to remove your mask and consume the bread until the Celebrant has moved on to the next pew.

Communion Hymn 440

“Blessèd Jesus, at thy word”

Liebster Jesu

Communion Motet

How lovely are the messengers

Felix Mendelssohn

1809-1847

How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace. To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words, throughout all the lands their glad tidings.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People, standing

Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body
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.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn 448

“O love, how deep, how broad, how high ”

Deus tuorum militum

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Voluntary in G

John Stanley
1712-1786

You're invited to stay and listen to the Postlude but if you choose to leave instead, please do so quietly so that others may enjoy the music. Thank you!

A special thank you is extended to those who have made today's service possible:

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Julia Prentice, *Lay Eucharistic Minister*
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