# HOLYEUCHARIST

# The Second Sunday After Epiphany January 15, 2023-11:00am

GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH 130 First Avenue, Nyack, New York



#### **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

Celebrant: Blessed are you, holy and living One. *People: You come to your people and set them free.* 

### **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

Celebrant: 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*.





#### **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Celebrant: God be with you. People: And also with you. Celebrant: 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.

**SERVICE OF THE WORD** 

(Please be seated)

# THE FIRST READING

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The Lord called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his guiver he hid me away. And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the Lord, and my reward with my God." And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength--he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves ,because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. Lector:

People: Thanks be to God.

Isaiah 49:1-7

# PSALM 40:1-12 (Sung by the Choir)

- 1 I waited patiently upon the Lord; he stooped to me and heard my cry.
- 2 He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay; he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure.
- 3 He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the Lord.
- 4 Happy are they who trust in the Lord! they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.
- 5 Great things are they that you have done, O Lord my God! how great your wonders and your plans for us! there is none who can be compared with you.
- 6 Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! but they are more than I can count.
- 7 In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure

(you have given me ears to hear you);

- Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required, and so I said, "Behold, I come.
- In the roll of the book it is written concerning me:
  'I love to do your will, O my God;
  your law is deep in my heart."
- 10 I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; behold, I did not restrain my lips; and that, O Lord, you know.
- 11 Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance;I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great congregation.
- 12 You are the Lord; do not withhold your compassion from me; let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever.

# 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

THE SECOND READING

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. People: Thanks be to God. **GRADUAL HYMN 51** We the Lord's peo - ple, heart and voice u nit ing, praise him who 1 peo - ple, school for the 2 This is the Lord's house, home of all his day day of God's own of cre -3 This is the Lord's day, mak - ing, Decatur Place bread and wine are of - fered, that Christ may 4 In the Lord's ser - vice (Standing) called us out of sin and dark-ness in - to his own light, faith - ful, ref - uge for rest for the pil - grim, the sin - ner, Spi - rit, a - tion, the day of re - sur - rec - tion, day of take them, bless them, break, and give them all hiş peo - ple, to that he might a noint us а roy al priest-hood. ha-ven for the all find wel - come. wea ry; a sign of hea - ven's day for joic - ing. ban quet, re his own life im food last - ing. part ing, ev er --

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL**

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John Glory to you, O Christ. *People*:

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God." The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

#### THE SERMON The Rev. Mark Hummell (*Please be seated*)

#### THE NICENE CREED (All Stand)

All:

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**

#### In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

Subdeacon: Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray for ourselves and for our ministries, especially for our priest this morning, Mark, our postulant to the diaconate, Lainie, our vestry, search committee, and all of our parish family as we prepare to welcome our new rector. Lord, you have called us to serve you. Silence Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer. People:

- Subdeacon: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Silence Lord, in your mercy
- People: Hear our prayer.

Subdeacon:	Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. <i>Silence</i> Lord, in your mercy
People:	Hear our prayer.
Subdeacon:	Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. <i>Silence</i> . Lord, in your mercy
People:	Hear our prayer.
Subdeacon:	Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We remember especially all who have suffered from the impacts of the COVID 19 pandemic; those who have died and those exposed and isolated by this disease. <i>Silence</i> Lord, in your mercy
People:	Hear our prayer.
Subdeacon:	We commend to your mercy all who have died, remembering especially all who have died in the service of our country, victims of gun violence, and Berta B. Ward, in whose memory the flowers this morning are lovingly offered. May your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. <i>Silence</i> Lord, in your mercy
People:	Hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Let us pause and reflect on our dependence on God and offer silently or aloud our own intercessions or thanksgivings.

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

# CONFESSION

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence may be kept.* All: *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.* 

#### ABSOLUTION

Celebrant: 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 PEACE

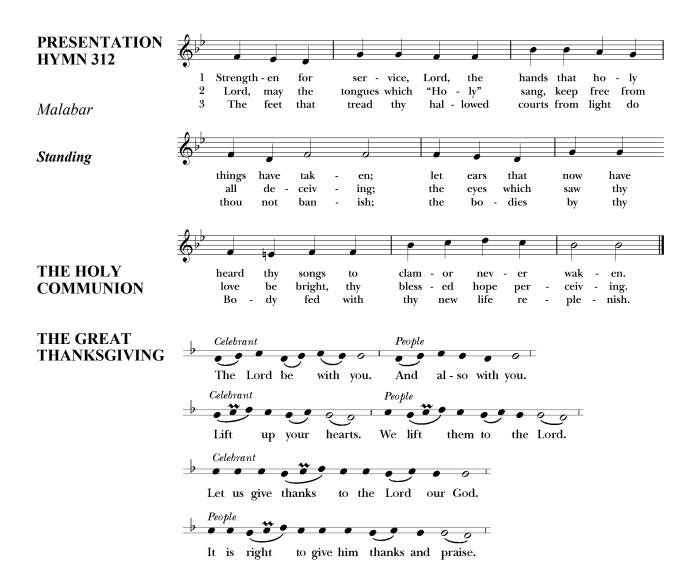
Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you. *People: And also with you.* 

#### (The People are encouraged to exchange the greetings of peace with all around them.)

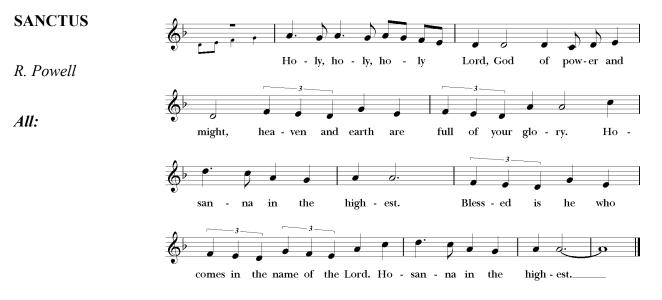
#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

# **ANTHEM AT THE OFFERING** (Sung by the Choir)

These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever He goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the first-fruits unto God and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was found no guile, for they are without fault before the throne of God.



Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



Celebrant: Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

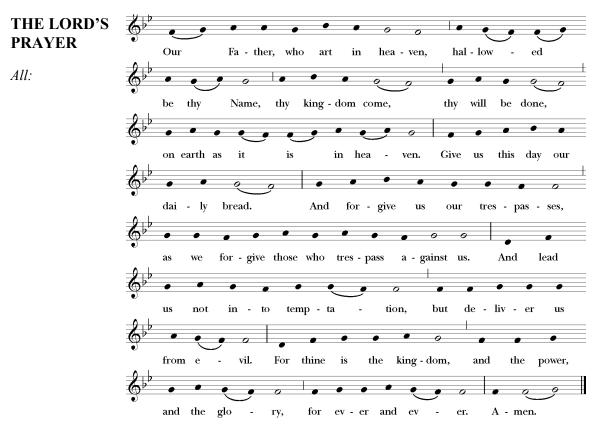
He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

#### *All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.*

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

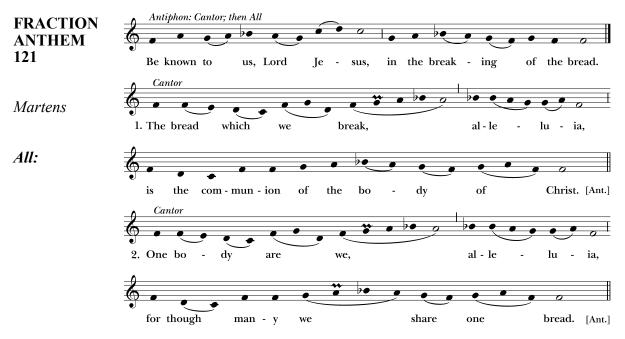
Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:



Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; *People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.* 

(The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Host. All then sing:)





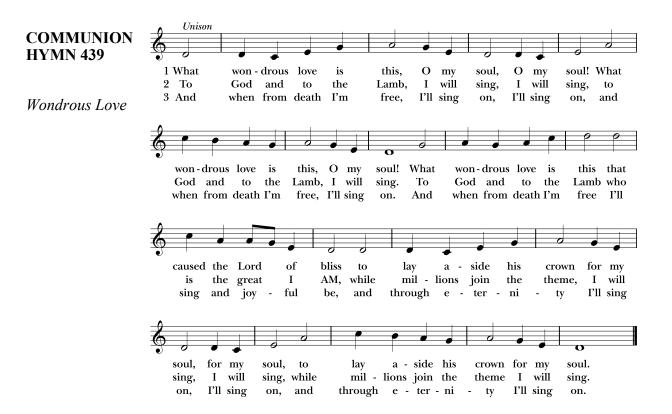
# THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All who seek God are welcome to receive communion or a blessing. The congregation comes forward to receive communion while the choir sings an anthem. The choir receives after the congregation. All join in singing the hymns.

## ANTHEM AT THE COMMUNION

Little lamb, who made thee? Dost thou know who made thee? Gave thee life and bid thee feed by the stream and o'er the mead; gave thee clothing of delight, softest clothing, wooly bright; gave thee such a tender voice, making all the vales rejoice. Little lamb who made thee? Dost thou know who made thee? Little lamb, I'll tell thee; little lamb, I'll tell thee. He is called by thy name. For he calls himself a lamb. He is meek and he is mild; he became a little child. I a child and thou a lamb; we are called by his name. Little lamb, God bless thee; little lamb God bless thee.

Music: William Bradley Roberts Text: William Blake



## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (All Stand.)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### THE BLESSING

All:

Celebrant: May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

## HYMN IN PROCESSION 435

Paderborn



#### DISMISSAL

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

**VOLUNTARY** Variation on *Wondrous Love* 

Robert Lau

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