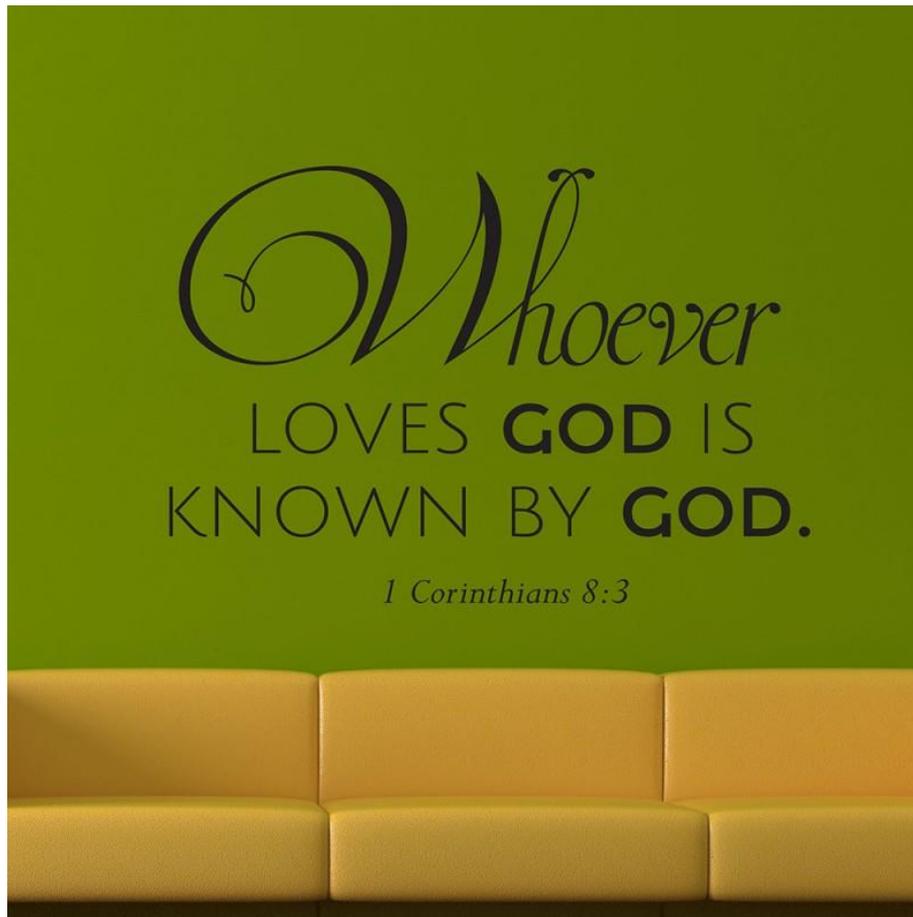




St. Augustine's Church

A Church Family in the Heart of the City



Sunday 10:00am Service
January 31, 2021

Morning Prayer - Fourth Sunday After Epiphany

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Children's Focus

Mary Lee Voort

The Rev. Steve Bateman

Opening Hymn 560 "God, Whose Almighty Word"

**God, whose almighty Word chaos and darkness heard,
and took their flight: hear us, we humbly pray,
and where the gospel day sheds not its glorious ray,
let there be light!**

**Saviour, who came to bring on your redeeming wing
healing and sight, health to the sick in mind,
sight to the inly blind; now for all humankind
let there be light!**

**Spirit of truth and love, life-giving, holy Dove,
speed on your flight! Move on the water's face
bearing the lamp of grace, and in earth's darkest place
let there be light!**

**Gracious and holy Three, glorious Trinity,
wisdom, love, might, boundless as ocean's tide
rolling in fullest pride: through the world far and wide
let there be light!**

The Penitential Rite

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit: a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. Psalm 51:18

Seek the Lord while he wills to be found, call upon him when he draws near; let the wicked forsake their ways, and the evil ones their thoughts; and let them return to the Lord, and he will have compassion, and to our God, for he will richly pardon.

Isaiah 55:6, 7

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:8- 9

The officiant says to the people,

Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

All kneel and silence is kept. The officiant and people say together,

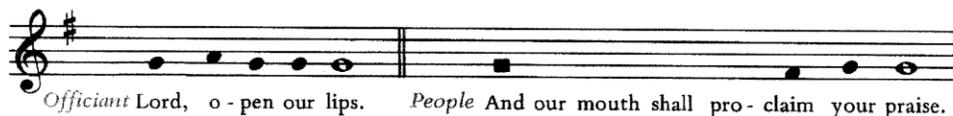
Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son 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 says, (while standing)

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen

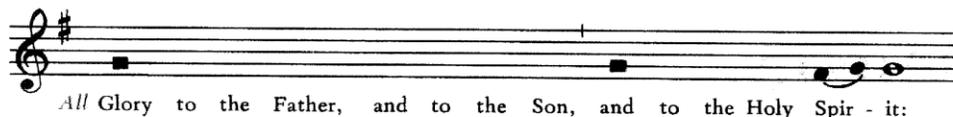
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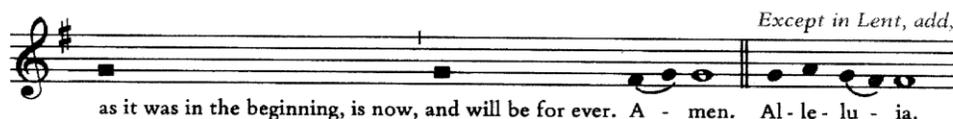
Officiant Lord, o - pen our lips. People And our mouth shall pro - claim your praise.



Officiant O God, make speed to save us. People O Lord, make haste to help us.



All Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spir - it:



Except in Lent, add,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. A - men. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Invitatory

The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us: **O come, let us worship.**

Venite *Psalm 95.1–7*

**Come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.**

**Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**

**For the Lord is a great God,
and a great king above all gods.**

**In his hand are the caverns of the earth,
and the heights of the hills are his also.**

**The sea is his for he made it,
and his hands have moulded the dry land.**

**Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee,
and kneel before the Lord our maker.**

**For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!**

The Proclamation of the Word

*At the conclusion of each reading, the reader shall say: **The Word of the Lord.***

*And the people shall respond: **Thanks be to God.***

First Reading Deuteronomy 18: 15-20

Tom Warwick

The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your fellow Israelites. You must listen to him. For this is what you asked of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said, "Let us not hear the voice of the LORD our God nor see this great fire anymore, or we will die."

The LORD said to me: "What they say is good. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their fellow Israelites, and I will put my words in his mouth. He will tell them everything I command him. I myself will call to account anyone who does not listen to my words that the prophet speaks in my name. But a prophet who presumes to speak in my name anything I have not commanded, or a prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, is to be put to death."



Hallelujah! I will give thanks to God with my whole heart,
 in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.
 Great are the deeds of God!
 they are studied by all who delight in them. **R.**

Your work, O God, is full of majesty and splendour,
 and your righteousness endures for ever.
 You make your marvellous works to be remembered;
 you are gracious and full of compassion. **R.**

You give food to those who fear you;
 you are ever mindful of your covenant.
 You have shown your people the power of your works
 in giving them the lands of the nations. **R.**

The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice;
 all your commandments are sure.
 They stand fast for ever and ever,
 because they are done in truth and equity. **R.**

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 8: 1-13

Allison Kittleson

Now about food sacrificed to idols: We know that “We all possess knowledge.” But knowledge puffs up while love builds up. Those who think they know something do not yet know as they ought to know. But whoever loves God is known by God.

So then, about eating food sacrificed to idols: We know that “An idol is nothing at all in the world” and that “There is no God but one.” For even if there are so-called gods, whether in heaven or on earth (as indeed there are many “gods” and many “lords”), yet for us there is but one God, the Father, from whom all things came and for whom we live;

and there is but one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom all things came and through whom we live. But not everyone possesses this knowledge. Some people are still so accustomed to idols that when they eat sacrificial food they think of it as having been sacrificed to a god, and since their conscience is weak, it is defiled. But food does not bring us near to God; we are no worse if we do not eat, and no better if we do.

Be careful, however, that the exercise of your rights does not become a stumbling block to the weak. For if someone with a weak conscience sees you, with all your knowledge, eating in an idol's temple, won't that person be emboldened to eat what is sacrificed to idols? So this weak brother or sister, for whom Christ died, is destroyed by your knowledge. When you sin against them in this way and wound their weak conscience, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if what I eat causes my brother or sister to fall into sin, I will never eat meat again, so that I will not cause them to fall.

Gradual Hymn: "Lord, Reign in Me"

**Over all the earth You reign on high
Every mountain stream, every sunset sky
But my one request, Lord, my only aim
Is that You'd reign in me again.**

**Over every thought, over every word
May my life reflect the beauty of my Lord
'Cause You mean more to me than any earthly thing
So, won't You reign in me again?**

Chorus: Lord, reign in me, reign in Your power
Over all my dreams, in my darkest hour
'cause you are the Lord of all I am
So won't You reign in me again?

Gospel Reading Mark 1:21-28

René Boéré

Reader The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark
People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

They went to Capernaum, and when the Sabbath came, Jesus went into the synagogue and began to teach. The people were amazed at his teaching, because he taught them as one who had authority, not as the teachers of the law. Just then a man in their synagogue who was possessed by an impure spirit cried out, “What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!”

“Be quiet!” said Jesus sternly. “Come out of him!” The impure spirit shook the man violently and came out of him with a shriek.

The people were all so amazed that they asked each other, “What is this? A new teaching—and with authority! He even gives orders to impure spirits and they obey him.” News about him spread quickly over the whole region of Galilee.

At the conclusion of the Gospel, the reader says, The Gospel of Christ.
People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

Br Jason Carroll

Anthem:

“To Act Justly” – Rollo Dillworth
sung by Karen Hudson, Joanne Collier, Erinn Roberts

(all stand)

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for The Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer Pray for St. Paul, Calgary and their clergy, Fergus Tyson, Norman Knowles, Cyril Haynes. In our companion diocese of the Windward Islands we pray for St. Andrew with Holy Innocents, St. Giles and St. Michael, on Grenada and The Ven. Michael Marshall. St. John with St. Mark and St. Matthew, on Grenada, and Rev. Coleridge Booker and Christ – the – King with St. Francis, on Grenada.

Parish Cycle of Prayer: We pray for those involved in service and Mission and Outreach: PWRDF Co-ordinator, Parish Hamper volunteers, ECM and Stephen ministers.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray. *(All kneel)*

All **Living God, in Christ you make all things new. Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Closing Hymn: 487 “Where Charity and Love Prevail”

**Where charity and love prevail, there God is ever found;
brought here together by Christ’s love, by love are we thus bound.**

**With grateful joy and holy fear his charity we learn;
let us with heart and mind and strength now love him in return.**

**Forgive we now each other’s faults as we our faults confess;
and let us love each other well in Christian holiness.**

**Let strife among us be unknown, let all contention cease;
be his the glory that we seek, be ours his holy peace.**

**Let us recall that in our midst dwells God's begotten Son;
as members of his body joined, we are in him made one.**

**Love can exclude no race or creed if honoured be God's name;
our common life embraces all whose Father is the same.**

Dismissal

**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.**

Postlude

Mary Lee Voort

Flowers at the altar to the Glory of God

**In loving memory of George and Elizabeth, sons George, Harold, Leonard, Cyril and
Stanley, daughter Winnifred**

Thank you to our technical crew this morning.

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