Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany Morning Prayer January 30, 2022 10:00 am



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1 Corinthian 13:1

Emmanuel Episcopal Church

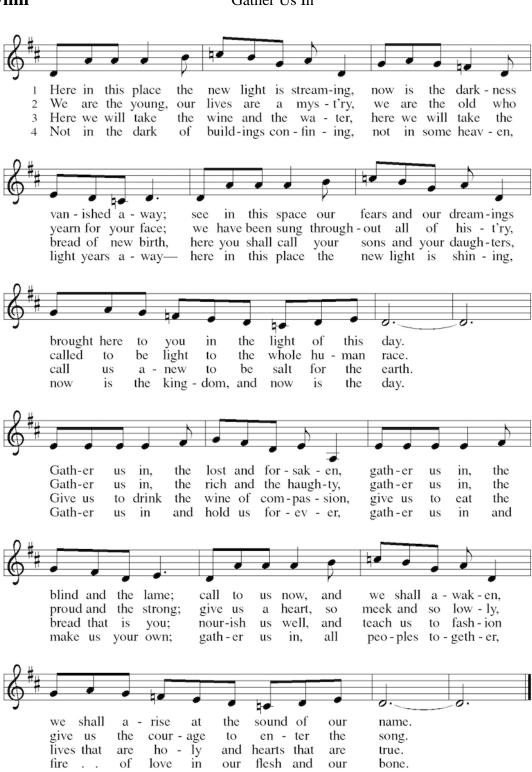
Morning Prayer: Rite II Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany

Prelude Be Still and Know Arr. Richard Williamson

Opening Hymn

Gather Us In

Gather



The people's responses are in **bold**.

The service continues with these sentences from Scripture:

Thus says the high and lofty One who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy, "I dwell in the high and holy place and, also with the one who has a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble and to revive the heart of the contrite." *Isaiah* 57:15

The Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

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.

Prayer of acceptance of God's forgiveness

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

The Invitatory

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouths shall proclaim your praise. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the

Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Psalm 71:1-6

In te, Domine, speravi



In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge;

let me never be ashamed.

In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free;

incline your ear to me and save me. Refrain

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe;

you are my crag and my stronghold.

Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked,

from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor. Refrain

For you are my hope, O Lord GOD,

my confidence since I was young.

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. *Refrain*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.

Amen.

The Lessons

A Reading from the Prophet Jeremiah

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."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

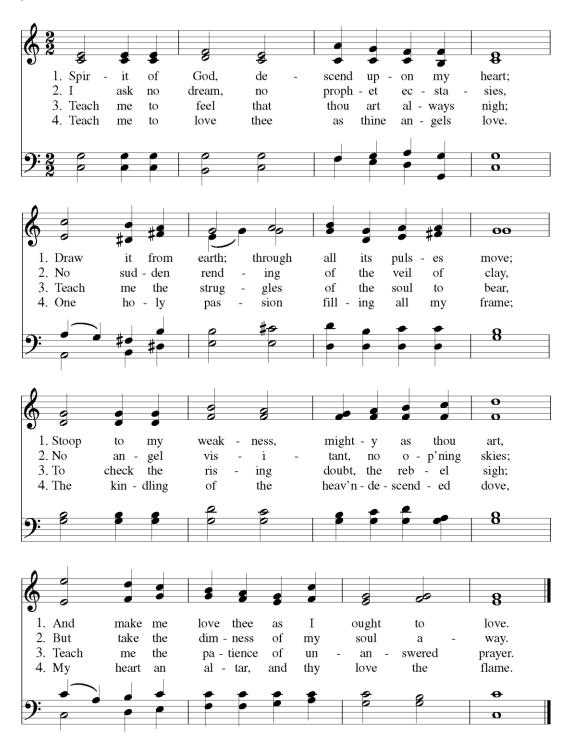
People Thanks be to God.

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.

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The Gospel

Luke 4:21-30

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Savior 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.

Celebrant The Gospel of our Savior.People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

The Rev. Charles C. McCoart, Jr.

The Apostles' Creed

Officiant and People together

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.

The Prayers

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also, with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer

Officiant and People together

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.

Prayers of Intercession

Officiant Show us your mercy, O Lord; People And grant us your salvation.

Officiant Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

People Let your people sing with joy.

Officiant Give peace, O Lord, in all the world: **For only in you can we live in safety.**

Officiant Lord, keep this nation under your care;

People And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Officiant Let your way be known upon earth;
People Your saving health among all nations.

Officiant Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten.

People Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Officiant Create in us clean hearts, O God;

People And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made

Guide the faithful to walk the ways of love. Nurture Emmanuel's many ministries in the church, in the neighborhood, and in the world. We pray especially for our partnerships with St. Croix in Leogane, Haiti and the Kwi family from Cameroon. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Teach us to live in humility on the earth. Curb arrogance that leads to destruction of natural resources and disregard for future generations. Inspire the work of scientists who urge us to live in harmony with your creation. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

You are the refuge of all who seek hope and freedom. Accompany immigrants, refugees, and asylum seekers who cross borders to find safety and opportunity. Bless the work of all who advocate for justice on their behalf. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Love bears, believes, hopes, and endures all things. Comfort the lonely, fearful, or brokenhearted. Sustain all those who suffer in body or spirit especially Joanne, Christian, Zoe, Eric, Steve, John Michael, Ben, Anne, Amy, Patti, Loretta, Susan, Eleanor, Jean, Margaret, Gretchen, Cindy, John, Tony, Pat, Nancy, Jeff, Michael, Leslie, Peggy, Jane, Michael, Bucky, Lisa, Peter, Joan, Audrey, Tracy, Elizabeth, Lillian, Jeff, and Steve. God of grace, hear our prayer.

Your grace falls upon young and old alike. Bless the gifts of children in this congregation and in this community. Give us humble hearts to follow their lead. Inspire us with their laughter, their insight, and their curiosity. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Abide with us in this mortal life until we rest in the arms of your never-ending love. We lift up in prayer those who have gone before us and now see you face to face especially the 5.6 million souls lost to Covid-19 including 879,000 people in the United States. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Christ of our yesterdays, of our today, of our forever, we place before you our past, our present, and our future. Whatever tomorrow holds, may we know your unfailing presence, your upholding grace, your everlasting love. **Amen.**

Here you may add your own prayers for family, community, church, and world.

The Officiant then says the following Collects

The Collects

Collect of the Day

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Collect for Guidance

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Mission

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. **Amen.**

The Offertory

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

Thank you to all who support our church and ministry to our parish members, broader community and in Haiti. If you do not already support our efforts we invite you to please go to Emmanuel's website to give electronically, www.emmaneulonhigh.org, or mail your contribution to the church office. Thank you.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People together

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

The Officiant says

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine; Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church and in Christ Jesus forever and ever. **Amen.** *Ephesians 3: 20, 21*



Dismissal

Officiant People Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Postlude

Stay smart, stay safe, stay healthy.