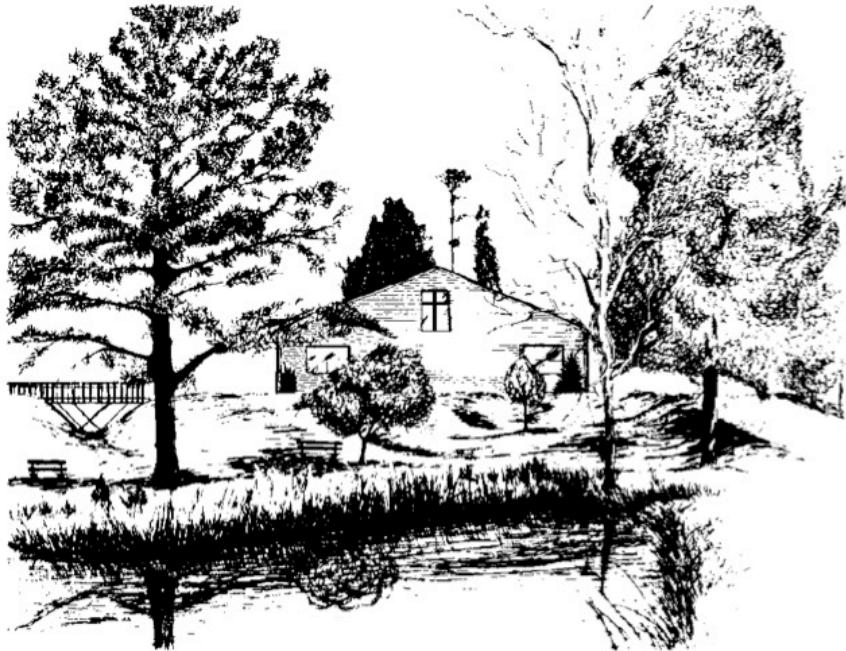


# The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

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## THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY MORNING PRAYER RITE II

### Prelude

Processional *Immortal, invisible, God only wise* Hymn 423

The Opening Acclamation BCP 78

*Presider* † I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth. *Isaiah 49:6b*

Confession of Sin BCP 79

*Presider* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Presider and People 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 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.**

*Presider* Almighty God have mercy on you, 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 and Psalter BCP 80

*Presider* Lord, open our lips.

*People* **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

*Presider and People* Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

*Presider* Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: Come let us adore him.

Venite Psalm 95:1-7 *Presider and People* BCP 82

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 molded 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 First Lesson

Isaiah 49:1-7

Listen to me, O coast lands, 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 quiver 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."

*Lector*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God**

## The Response

*Expectans, expectavi*

Psalm 40:1-12

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);

8 Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required, and so I said, "Behold, I come.

9 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.

## The Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

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.

*Lector*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence *Songs of thankfulness and praise*

Hymn 135

## The Holy Gospel

John 1:29-42

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

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

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).

*Presider* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Homily

Mr. Foster Peterson

The Nicene Creed *Presider and People*

**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.**

The Prayers

Suffrage B

BCP 96

V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

**R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.**

V. Day by day we bless you;

**R. We praise your name for ever.**

V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;

**R. Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.**

V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;

**R. For we put our trust in you.**

V. In you, Lord, is our hope;

**R. And we shall never hope in vain.**

## The Collect of the Day

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.***

### Collect for Peace

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

### Collect for Mission

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. ***Amen.***

## The Peace

### **Administration of the Holy Communion**

Offertory Hymn *I have decided to follow Jesus*

LEVAS 136

*Presider* Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

## The Lord's Prayer

BCP 96

*Presider* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*People and Presider*

**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.**

*Presider*

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.

*Communion is given to the communicants with these words:*

The Body & Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. *[Amen.]*

Communion *God of mercy, God of grace*

Hymn 538

Communion *Let all mortal flesh keep silence*

Hymn 324

The Post Communion Prayer

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**People Gracious Father, we give you praise and thanks for this Holy Communion of the Body and Blood of your beloved Son Jesus Christ, the pledge of our redemption; and we pray that it may bring us forgiveness of our sins, strength in our weakness, and everlasting salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The General Thanksgiving

BCP 101

*Presider and People*

**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 our selves 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.**

## A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. ***Amen.***

Recessional *Ye servants of God,*

Hymn 535

## The Blessing

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor everyone; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; And the blessing of God Almighty, <sup>†</sup> the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon us and remain with us for ever. ***Amen.***

## The Dismissal

BCP 102

*Presider* Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

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 for ever and ever. ***Amen.*** -- Ephesians 3:20, 21

## Postlude

### Welcome to Episcopal Church of the Annunciation

*If this is your first time with us, we hope you will join us for coffee hour after the 8:30 or 10:30AM services for fellowship & refreshments. Please sign the guest book or fill out a guest card so we can answer any questions you may have about ECA. Thank you for joining us today.*

## **Prayer List**

Elizabeth, Irene & Tom, Bruce & Jackie, Laura, Zack & Charlotte, Chris & Rae, Lucas, Heather, Ken, Laurie, Linda, Betty, Lillian, Christina, Gladys, Susan, Pam, Robin, Jeannie & John, Bill, Irene, & Betty, Don, Kathy, Mike, Jessica, Paul, Frankie, Ruth, Margaret, Sallie and Lynda; for our Vestry; for those in the armed forces especially Donnie, Geoff, Bob, Lawrence, Matt, Tod, Nathan, Ryan, Mark, & Josh; and for any unspoken prayers.

## **For the Departed**

We pray for the repose for the soul of Eleanor Connell, Cousin of Wanda Ziembinski. May she rest in peace and rise in glory

## **Birthdays**

1/18 Emily Wilson    1/19 Kate Martiny

## **Anniversaries**

1/21 Ron & Cheryl Farr

## **Altar Flowers**

The Flowers on the Altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Eleanor Connell, cousin of Wanda Ziembinski.

## **The Sunday Commissioning**

In the name of Christ Jesus, and through the family of Church of the Annunciation, we send you out bearing these holy gifts for God's holy people that those who will receive them with us may experience the majesty and mystery of His presence. We who are many are one body

**People:** *Because we all share one bread and one cup.*

*The sending out of Eucharistic ministers is a Lay ministry that takes Holy Communion after church to those who are ill and infirm and cannot make it to church for a long period of time. Please contact Fr. Paul, Cal Beck or the church office and let us know if you desire this ministry.*

## **Both Adult Christian Formation Classes Resume Today**

Adult Christian Formation is usually held on Sundays at 9:30am either in person, or via Zoom. Please contact Ron Allen at [ronallenga@yahoo.com](mailto:ronallenga@yahoo.com) or contact Fr. Paul for Zoom meeting information. Bliss Peterson is guiding the Biblical Challenge class, please contact Bliss for more info.

## **Southern Comforters Meets Today after the 10:30am Service in Activities Bldg**

All are welcome to fellowship with those who knit and crochet to make blankets for children in difficult circumstances, and prayer shawls for our parishioners and friends. This ministry meets on the third Sunday of each month after services in the Activities building.

## **Cultured Pearls Book Club to Meet Wednesday Jan. 18<sup>th</sup> at 2pm**

All are invited to join the ECA Book club. This month's book is "To the Lighthouse" by Virginia Woolfe. February's book is "The Personal Librarian" by Marie Benedict & Victoria Albert. This club meets monthly on the third Wednesday . Contact Lillian Stanton for more information.

## **Faith, Food & Fellowship on Wed. Jan 18<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm in the Activities Bldg**

All are welcome to Join us for food, fellowship and fun faith centered activities! We are looking for volunteers to rotate preparing dinner and sharing in conversations. If you'd like to help with this program, please email Robin Keith. Meets on the third Wednesday of each month.

## **Connecting Ministry January Food & Fellowship Dates Jan. 18<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>**

Come Connect with us! The January dates are as follows: Wednesday, January 18 for lunch (location TBD) and Thursday, January 26 for dinner (location TBD). Contact Janice Maxwell for more info.

## **ECA Annual Ladies British Tea Party Planning Committee Meeting Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>**

Anyone interested in joining the Planning Committee is invited to attend the first meeting on Jan. 25 at 1pm. We need your creativity, ideas, and planning to make this the best tea yet! Reach out to Carol Scheidler or Cheryl Farr with any questions.

## **Reach Collecting Food items for Local Food Pantries, Thank you for your Support**

ECA supports local charities Never Alone and Papa's Pantry in their food ministries. Please bring donations Sundays before worship. Now collecting nonperishable food and travel size toiletries. Thank you for supporting these charities!

## **Shady Grove Un-Housed Ministry Special Request for Mean's Jeans Size 30-36**

The ECA Reach Ministry serves along-side Pastor Bass at Shady Grove Baptist Church to minister to the homeless population. Pastor Bass has expressed a need for men's jeans size 30-36. Thanks for donating to help this ministry!

## **Each Month we make our Monthly Financials Available**

(YTD) Through Dec. 2022	Actual	Budget	+/-
Revenues	\$246,367	\$259,088	\$12,721
Expenses	\$220,416	\$259,127	(\$38,711)
Net Year to	\$25,951	(\$39)	\$25,988

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