The Third Sunday After The Epiphany



Holy Eucharist January 23, 2022 9:00 am

WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH!

Our mission is to be a community of Christian worship, well-being and service. We hope you will experience God's own welcome here and return again and again. Find us online at <u>www.smcportsmouth.org</u> and on facebook.

Gathering

Please pick up a hymnal and the Book of Common Prayer at the back of the chapel.

Welcome and Announcements

The Word of God

All may stand as you are able for the Processional Hymn.

Processional Hymn: The Church's one foundation

The Hymnal 1982 #525

Opening Acclamation

Song of Praise: Every time I feel the spirit

Collect of the Day

Celebrant	God be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Let us pray.

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*.

The People may be seated.

The Lessons

First Reading: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

All the people of Israel gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen,

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Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

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

Psalm 19

spoken by all

The heavens declare the glory of God, * and the firmament shows his handiwork. One day tells its tale to another, * and one night imparts knowledge to another.

Although they have no words or language, * and their voices are not heard, Their sound has gone out into all lands, * and their message to the ends of the world.

In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; * it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course. It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; * nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; * the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent. The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; * the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; * the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, * sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb. By them also is your servant enlightened, * and in keeping them there is great reward.

Who can tell how often he offends? * cleanse me from my secret faults. Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; * then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, * O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do

not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

ReaderHear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.PeopleThanks be to God.

All may stand for the Gospel Procession.



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Holy Gospel: Luke 4:14-21

GospellerThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

GospellerThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ

Sermon

The Rev. Jennifer Pedrick

All may stand for the Nicene Creed.

The Nicene Creed

Prayers of the People

The Leader and the People pray responsively.

This day and always,

Christ, be our Light.

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The Peace

Offertory: You Are Called to Tell the Story



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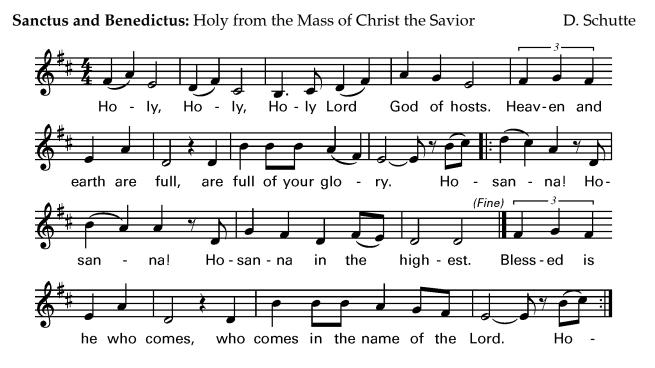
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The Holy Communion

The people may stand as the gifts are brought forward and for the Eucharistic Prayer.

Eucharistic Prayer B





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The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

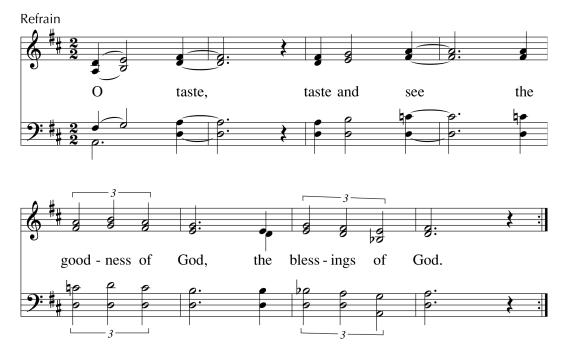
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The people may come forward at the invitation: "The Gifts of God for the People of God." If you need communion brought to you, please let a greeter know.



Verses

- 1. I will sing God's praises all the days that I shall live. My soul will glory in my God, the lowly will hear and be glad. O glorify God's name with me, together let us rejoice.
- 2. For God has heard my anguished cries, and delivered me from all my foes. O look to God that you might shine, your faces be radiant with joy.
- When the poor cry out, God hears and saves them, rescues them from their distress. God's angel watches near to those who look to their God to save them.
- 4. O taste and see that God is good, how happy the ones who find refuge. The mighty shall grow weak and hungry, those who seek God lack nothing.
- 5. Come, my children, hear me, I will teach you the fear of God. Come, all of you who thirst for life and seek joy in all of your days.
- 6. For God is close to the brokenhearted, near to those crushed in spirit. The hand of God redeems your life, a refuge for all those who seek.

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Post Communion Prayer

Blessing

Dismissal

Closing Song: We all are one in mission

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