



Holy Cross Episcopal Church / Carlsbad, California

**The Second Sunday after Epiphany**

**January 17th, 2021**

**9:00 AM**

**Welcome to Holy Cross Episcopal Church.** We are happy that you are here to celebrate with us. Wherever you find yourself on your journey of faith, know that you are welcomed here. Holy Cross is a welcoming, inclusive, open and affirming congregation. We are comprised of and reach out to the young and the old, established members and newcomers, those who are married, divorced, partnered or single individuals, widows and widowers, those who identify as straight and those who identify as LGBTQ, the wealthy and those with limited resources, and families and individuals from any ethnic, cultural or faith background. Whatever your faith tradition, please participate in worship as fully as you like.

### **Diocesan Statement of Unity**

*As part of the Jesus Movement and the Episcopal Diocese of San Diego, we pledge to love our neighbors and protect the most vulnerable among us, remembering our baptismal vows to “strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being.” We live these pledges out by actively engaging in dismantling racism. For many of us, this will mean learning more about our racial identity, listening to those who have experienced racial prejudice, speaking out against racism, and showing up alongside those in our community working to change unjust systems in our society. We also live out this pledge at worship during this pandemic, by wearing face-coverings, respecting distancing guidelines, foregoing the common cup and refraining from congregational responses and singing unless safely inside our cars or home.*

## The Liturgy of the Word

*Responses and unison parts are indicated in **bold**.*

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### **Opening Acclamation**

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

**Glory to God for ever and ever.**

### **Gloria in Excelsis**

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## **The Collect of the Day**

*Officiant*      The Lord be with you.

*People*          **And also with you.**

*Officiant*      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, worshiped, 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.**

Almighty God, by the hand of Moses your servant you led your people out of slavery, and made them free at last: Grant that your church, following the example of your prophet Martin Luther King, may resist oppression in the name of your love, and may strive to secure for all your children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **The Lessons**

**The First Reading – read by Robyn Hill**

**1 Samuel 3:1-20**

A Reading from the First Book of Samuel.

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 139**

LORD, you have searched me out and known me; \*  
**you know my sitting down and my rising up;**  
**you discern my thoughts from afar.**  
You trace my journeys and my resting-places \*  
**and are acquainted with all my ways.**  
Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, \*  
**but you, O LORD, know it altogether.**  
You press upon me behind and before \*  
**and lay your hand upon me.**  
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; \*  
**it is so high that I cannot attain to it.**  
Where can I go then from your Spirit? \*  
**where can I flee from your presence?**  
I will thank you because I am marvelously made; \*  
**your works are wonderful, and I know it well.**  
My body was not hidden from you, \*  
**while I was being made in secret**  
**and woven in the depths of the earth.**  
Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;  
all of them were written in your book; \*  
**they were fashioned day by day,**

**when as yet there was none of them.**

How deep I find your thoughts, O God! \*

**how great is the sum of them!**

If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; \*

**to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.**

Oh, that you would slay the wicked, O God! \*

**You that thirst for blood, depart from me.**

## **The Gospel**

**John 1:43-51**

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

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon – Rev. Richard Hogue Jr.**

## **The Nicene Creed**

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.

## **The Prayers of the People**

### **Form IV – prayed by Sue Sebastian**

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.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

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  
**Hear our prayer.**

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.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

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.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially Fr. Atwood, Randy, Tom & Wayne, Arlene, Ann, Paul, Bob, Michael, Art, Grant, Jerry, Jen, Ruth, Jessica, and all who have been affected by the COVID-19 virus, and those who have no one to pray for them.

Are there others? (pause)

Give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died; and those who have lost their lives to COVID-19,

Are there others? (pause)

We pray your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **Confession of Sin**

Let us confess our sins to God.

**God of all mercy,  
we confess that we have sinned against you,  
opposing your will in our lives.  
We have denied your goodness in each other,  
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.  
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,  
the evil we have done,  
and the evil done on our behalf.  
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us  
through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
that we may abide in your love  
and serve only your will. Amen**

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

### **The Peace**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

### **Prayers for Birthdays & Anniversaries** (Jan 17 to Jan 23)

**For a Birthday** Watch over your children, O Lord, especially Judy Cater, Kylie Jenkins, and Kelly Petersen, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may the peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**For an Anniversary** Eternal God, look with favor upon the world you have made and especially upon these couples. Give them wisdom and devotion in the ordering of their lives together, that each may be to the other a strength in need, a counselor in perplexity, a comfort in sorrow, and a companion in joy. Grant that their wills may be so knit together in your will, and their spirits in your Spirit, that they may grow in love and peace with you and one another all the days of their life. **Amen.**

## **The Holy Communion – Liturgy of the Table**

### **Offertory Sentence**

Presider      I appeal to you, by the mercies of God, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

### **Virtual Offertory**

While the office is closed, contributions and pledge payments can be mailed to the office. Alternatively, you may use Zelle from your banking app, send your pledge/donation to: [holycross@holycrosscarlsbad.org](mailto:holycross@holycrosscarlsbad.org). Or, use the Give Now button on our website, <https://holycrosscarlsbad.org/>, or consider texting 646.832.4848 with the amount you want to donate via our secure Faithstreet platform (click the link you receive and enter the Holy Cross quickcode, **hcec**). Faithstreet offers the option for donors to pay the fee which is treated as a donation to Holy Cross and is tax deductible.

### **Behold Your God – Lift Every Voice and Sing II #2**

Oh thou that tellest good tidings to Zion,  
Oh thou that tellest good tidings to Jerusalem:  
Lift up your voice with strength,  
Lift it up don't be afraid.  
Behold your God.  
Arise, and shine, for the light of the world is come.  
Behold your God!

### **Spiritual Communion**

Presider And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,  
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

*Consecrated bread and wine are displayed.*

Presider Lord Christ, we believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since we cannot at this time receive communion, we pray you to come into our hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with all our heart, our soul, and our mind. Let nothing separate us from you; let us serve you in this life until, by your grace, we come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

### **Blessing**

Presider The blessing of God Almighty, the Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

### **The Dismissal**

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

### **Sung Dismissal – Go Now in Peace**

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Go now in peace, never be afraid  
God will go with you each hour of every day  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true  
Know He will guide you in all you do  
Go now in love and show you believe  
Reach out to others so all the world can see  
God will be there watching from above  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love  
A - men. A-men. A - men.

Presider Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

## Liturgical Leaders

<b>Presider</b>	<i>The Rev. Richard Hogue, Jr.</i>
<b>Reader</b>	<i>Robyn Hill; Sue Sebastian; and volunteers</i>
<b>Music</b>	<i>Virginia Sublett – Music Director of St. Andrew’s, Encinitas; Jack Deane; the Ho Family</i>

*Thank you to all for your service.  
May you know the love of God and be filled with new life.*

### **A Prayer for Peace**

*Eternal God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, no strength known but the strength of love: So mightily spread abroad your Spirit, that all peoples may be gathered under the banner of the Prince of Peace, as children of one Father; to whom be dominion and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.***

### **A Prayer for the Human Family**

*O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.***

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