

# MORNING PRAYER: RITE II

*The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany*

January 31, 2021

**The Prelude:** Adagio from Sonata III in C Major, Opus 5  
The Only Son from Heaven  
Andante in A Major  
Spread, O Spread, Thou Mighty Word

Arcangelo Corelli (1653-1713)  
German tune (1524)  
John Stainer (1840-1901)  
German tune, arr. Charles Callahan

## Words of Welcome

**The Opening Hymn: 533 How Wondrous and Great Thy Works, God or Praise!**

LYONS

How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise! How just, King of saints, and true are thy ways!  
O who shall not fear thee, and honor thy Name? Thou only art holy, thou only supreme.

To nations of earth thy light shall be shown; their worship and vows shall come to thy throne:  
thy truth and thy judgments shall spread all abroad, till earth's every people confess thee their God.

Words: Henry Ustick Onderdonk (1789-1858), alt.; para. *The Song of the Redeemed*  
Music: att. Johann Michael Haydn (1737-1806); Interlude by Charles Callahan (b. 1951)

*The Officiant begins the service with one or more sentences of Scripture.*

## The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

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

All: **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.**

## Jubilate *Psalms 100*

Officiant: The Lord has shown forth his glory:

People: **Come let us adore him.**

*Officiant and People*

**Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song. Know this: The Lord himself is God; he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; give thanks to him and call upon his Name. For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

Officiant: The Lord has shown forth his glory:

People: **Come let us adore him.**

## Psalm 111 *Read in unison.*

**Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation. Great are the deeds of the LORD! they are studied by all who delight in them. His work is full of majesty and splendor, and his righteousness endures for ever. He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and full of compassion. He gives food to those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant. He has shown his people the power of his works in giving them the lands of the nations. The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; all his commandments are sure. They stand fast for ever and ever, because they are done in truth and equity. He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever; holy and awesome is his Name. The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures for ever. 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.**

## The First Lesson

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him. Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “no idol in the world really exists,” and that “there is no God but one.” Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords—yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist. It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. “Food will not bring us close to God.” We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## Canticle 17: The Song of Simeon *Nunc dimittis*

*Officiant and People*

**Lord, you now have set your servant free to go in peace as you have promised; For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, whom you have prepared for all the world to see: A light to enlighten the nations, and the glory of your people Israel. 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.**

## The Second Lesson

Mark 1:21-28

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.” But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, “What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## Canticle: Jesus, the Light of the World

Ken Bible & George D. Elderkin

See the bright and morning star, Jesus, the light of the world!  
He has risen in our hearts, Jesus, the light of the world!

*Refrain: Walk in the light, beautiful light; come where his love and his mercy are bright.  
Shine all around us by day and by night, Jesus, the light of the world.*

He's the lamp that lights our way, Jesus, the light of the world!  
Step by step and day by day, Jesus, the light of the world! *Refrain*

No more darkness, no more night, Jesus, the light of the world!  
He will shine forever bright, Jesus, the light of the world! *Refrain*

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## The Homily

The Reverend Kevin Lloyd

## The Apostles' Creed

*Officiant and People*

**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 Lord's Prayer

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

*Officiant and People*

**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.**

### Suffrages B

Officiant: Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

**People: Govern and uphold them, now and always.**

Officiant: Day by day we bless you;

**People: We praise your Name for ever.**

Officiant: Lord, keep us from all sin today;

**People: Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.**

Officiant: Lord, show us your love and mercy;

**People: For we put our trust in you.**

Officiant: In you, Lord, is our hope;

**People: And we shall never hope in vain.**

### The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### The Collects

*The Officiant prays a series of Collects.*

### Parish Prayers and Intercessions and Thanksgivings

*Please read together the names on our list, when prompted.*

Together we pray for: **Amy, Anne, Bill, Caroline, Charlotte, Courtney, Deanna, Earl, Florence, Hilary, Jean, Jim, Joe, Liam, Mason, Pat, Sandra, Sandy, Christopher, Noah, Owen.**

### The General Thanksgiving

*Officiant 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.**

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Officiant: 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.**

## The Closing Hymn: 371 Thou, Whose Almighty Word

MOSCOW

Thou, 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!

Thou who didst come to bring on thy redeeming wing  
healing and sight, health to the sick in mind,  
sight to the inly blind, now to all humankind, let there be light!

Spirit of truth and love, life-giving, holy Dove,  
speed forth thy flight! Move on the waters' face  
bearing the gifts of grace, and, in earth's darkest place, let there be light!

Holy and blessed 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!

Words: John Marriott (1780-1825), alt. Music: Felice de Giardini (1716-1796); harmony *The New Hymnal*,  
1916, based on *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, and Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

## The Exchange of the Peace

**The Postlude:** From God Christ's Deity Came Forth

Ronald Arnatt, arr. JB