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The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

24 January 2021 AD

[PART ONE] A LITURGY OF THE WORD
[PART TWO] COMMUNION IN THE BACK LOT

Prelude

Opening Hymn 359 “God of the Prophets”

- 1 God of the prophets, bless the prophets’ heirs!
Elijah’s mantle o’er Elisha cast:
each age for thine own solemn task prepares,
make each one stronger, nobler than the last.
- 2 Anoint them prophets! Teach them thine intent:
to human need their quickened hearts awake;
fill them with power, their lips make eloquent
for righteousness that shall all evil break. . . .
- 4 Anoint them kings! Yea, kingly kings, O Lord!
Anoint them with the Spirit of thy Son:
theirs not a monarch’s crown or tyrant’s sword;
theirs by the love of Christ a kingdom won.
- 5 Make them apostles, heralds of thy cross;
forth may they go to tell all realms thy grace:
inspired of thee, may they count all but loss,
and stand at last with joy before thy face.

Priest: Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant says Collect for Purity

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Hymn of Praise: *Gloria in Excelsis Deo [metrical version]*

- 1 Glory to God on high And peace to all on earth;
Lord God, almighty Father, King, We praise you for your worth.
- 2 Lord Christ, the Lamb of God, You take our sin away;
Now seated at the Father’s side, Have mercy when we pray.
- 3 You are the Holy One, Most High, Lord Christ, alone,
You and the Holy Spirit with The Father on the throne.

The Collect of the Day

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Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray.

Celebrant says Collect for the Day

Lesson

A Reading from the Book of Jonah. [Jonah 3:1-5, 10] *The Word of the Lord.*
[*People: Thanks be to God.*]

Gradual Psalm 62:6-14

- 6 For God alone my soul in silence waits; *
truly, my hope is in him.
- 7 He alone is my rock and my salvation, *
my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.
- 8 In God is my safety and my honor; *
God is my strong rock and my refuge.
- 9 Put your trust in him always, O people, *
pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.
- 10 Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, *
even those of low estate cannot be trusted.
- 11 On the scales they are lighter than a breath, *
all of them together.
- 12 Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride; *
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.
- 13 God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, *
that power belongs to God.
- 14 Steadfast love is yours, O Lord, *
for you repay everyone according to his deeds.

Epistle

A Reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians. [1 Corinthians 7:29-31] *The Word of the Lord.* [*People: Thanks be to God.*]

Sequence Hymn 758 [WLP] “You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore”

- 1 You have come to the lakeshore
Seeking neither the wise nor wealthy
But only asking for me to follow. *[refrain]*
O Jesus, you have looked into my eyes Kindly smiling, you’ve called out my name
On the sand I have abandoned my small boat; Now with you, I will seek other seas.
- 2 You know full well my possessions
Neither treasure nor weapons for conquest,
Just these my fish nets and will for working. *[refrain]*
- 3 You need my hands, my exhaustion
Working love for the rest of the weary
A love that’s willing to go on loving. *[refrain]*
- 4 You have fished other waters;
You, the longing of souls that are wearing:
As loving Friend, you have come to call me. *[refrain]*

The Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. [People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.] [Mark 1:14-20] The Gospel of the Lord. [People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.]

The Sermon *silence follows the sermon*

The Nicene Creed

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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.

Prayers of the People

*The Leader concludes each petition: We bless God's holy name
And the People respond: **Forever and ever. Amen***

Confession and Absolution

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The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence may be kept.*

All: 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.

The Priest says the Absolution

The Peace *Reach out to someone today to share God's peace.*

Offertory Sentence

Anthem

The Lord's Prayer

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As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

Officiant and People pray the Lord's Prayer

The Blessing

Closing Hymn 778 [WLP] "We All are One in Mission"

- 1 We all are one in mission, we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.
A single, great commission compels us from above
to plan and work together that all may know Christ's love.
- 2 We all are called for service to witness in God's name.
Our ministries are diff'rent, our purpose is the same:
to touch the lives of others by God's surprising grace,
so people of all nations may feel God's warm embrace.
- 3 We all behold one vision, a stark reality;
the steward of salvation was nailed upon a tree.
Yet resurrected Justice gives rise that we may share
free reconciliation and hope amid despair.
- 4 Now let us be united and let our song be heard.
Now let us be a vessel for God's redeeming Word.
We all are one in mission, we all are one in call,
Our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.

Dismissal

Priest Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH

[PART TWO]

COMMUNION AVAILABLE TODAY

You are invited to our back parking lot to continue our worship and to receive Holy Communion at 11 o'clock this morning. Please print the "Addendum" to this bulletin and bring it with you. When you arrive, orient the front of your car toward red cross in the parking lot and tune to 92.7 FM. Consecrated bread will be brought around to each car. We will offer a "Fellowship Hour" after this form of worship when we are no longer a COVID hotspot. Today is a **SEVEN ON SUNDAY** collection day.



We have a Care Team which is helping us stay in touch by telephone. Call 843.999.0888 for anything whatsoever.

On Sundays we receive the gifts of the people for the support of the church and its mission in the world. Please mail your gifts to **The Church of the Messiah, P O Box 70367, Myrtle Beach, SC 29572.**

These are trying times. If you or someone you know has special needs, please contact Fr. Ferebee confidentially at 843.999.0888.

We are the Episcopal Church of the Messiah in the City of Myrtle Beach. Our ***Vision*** is to be an intentionally inclusive community called to love the Lord and to serve God's world in a spirit of reconciliation, hope, and healing. The ***Mission*** of our church is to practice following Jesus to experience for ourselves and share with others God's love by serving the world in Christ's name.