

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

JANUARY 24, 2021

8 A.M. ANTE COMMUNION RITE I

Opening Acclamation	319 (prayer book)
Confession	320 (prayer book)
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Collect of the Day	163 (prayer book)

I reading—Jonah 3: 1-5, 10

Reader: A reading from Jonah

The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, “Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.” So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, “Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 62: 6-14

For God alone my soul in silence waits; *
truly, my hope is in him.

He alone is my rock and my salvation, *
my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.

In God is my safety and my honor; *
God is my strong rock and my refuge.

Put your trust in him always, O people, *
pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.

Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, *
even those of low estate cannot be trusted.

On the scales they are lighter than a breath, *
all of them together.

Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride; *
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.

God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, *
that power belongs to God.

Steadfast love is yours, O Lord, *
for you repay everyone according to his deeds.

II reading—1 Corinthians 7: 29-31

Reader: A reading from First Corinthians.

I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Gospel—Mark 1: 14-20

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark

People: Glory be to thee, O Christ

After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Homily

The Rev. Catherine Carpenter

The Nicene Creed

326 (prayer book)

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer

336 (prayer book)

The Peace

332 (prayer book)

The Blessing

Celebrant: May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal

340 (prayer book)

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In the power of the Spirit, and in union with Christ Jesus, let us pray to the Father.

Merciful God, we pray for ourselves and all Christians, that we may be a royal priesthood, a holy people, to the praise of Jesus Christ our Redeemer.

Silence

We pray for our Presiding Bishop Michael, our Bishop DeDe, our Rector Cathy, and for all bishops and other ministers, that they may remain faithful to their calling and rightly proclaim the word of truth.

Silence

We pray for children and young people and for all who are new in the Faith. Direct and guide them in the way that leads to thee.

Silence

We pray for those who bear the responsibility of government in this and every nation, that thy people may rejoice in thy gifts of true justice and peace.

Silence

We pray for the people of this community, asking that thou wilt show thy mercy to them all. In our family cycle of prayer we pray for Phyllis Begg, and Pam Kozikowski.

Silence

We pray for all who are sick or in any other kind of trouble, and those who have asked for our prayers, especially Gordon Tall, John Rogers, Garth Foster, Agnes Morgan, Fern Butler, Dottie Carrie, Rahel Reger, Donny Witkowski, Tom Mangan, Jayce Diaz, Jason, Bill, Steven, Merle, Sharon, Linda, Linda W., Becky, Alice, Debbie, James, Rosalee, Dawn, Lila, Missy, Joyce Y, Erin, Penny, Ann, Sue, Mary Ann, Barb, Anna, Jerry, Isabella, Neva, and those we now name, silently or aloud.

Silence

... that thou wilt deliver them and keep them in thy love.

We pray for the victims of sin and those who minister to them, that thou wilt be their help and defense.

Silence

We pray that we may all be strengthened in our faith, our love and our service.

Silence

We pray for the departed especially Linda Savacool, and those we now name, silently or aloud.

Silence

...commending them to thy eternal love.

Please add your own thanksgivings and petitions, silently or aloud.

Silence

We commend ourselves and one another and our whole life to thee, O God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The celebrant may add a concluding collect.



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