



Holy Eucharist Rite II

Epiphanytide
Winter 2023
10 a.m.

Welcome to Christ Church

Whether on-site or at home, we worship as the one body of Christ, coming together for solace and strength, pardon and renewal.

During the season of Epiphany, we celebrate and embody the ways that Jesus is the Light of the world. Like the Wise Ones, we encounter Jesus as the Holy Child, and “go home by a different way,” moved to compassionate action in the places we live and work, and in the wider world. As we journey through our days, we reflect the light of Christ, loving God and neighbor, as Jesus teaches.

This worship bulletin and our hymnals in the pews guide our participation.

We are delighted you are here.



The collect and readings of the day are found on the [lectionary page](#).

Prelude

Please stand as able.

Opening Hymn

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

Gloria S-280

Glory to God in the highest

Robert Powell (b. 1932)

All

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

You may be seated.

Welcome

The First Lesson

At the end of the reading:

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

The Psalm is read responsively, breaking at the asterisk ().*

The Second Lesson

At the end of the reading:

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able.

Gradual Hymn

The Gospel

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At the conclusion of the Gospel reading.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

A moment of silence follows the Sermon.

Please stand as able.

The Nicene Creed

All 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,

Book of Common Prayer, p. 358

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.

Please stand or kneel as able.

The Prayers of the People

adapted from All Saint's, Park Slope, Brooklyn

Intercessor With all our heart and with all our mind let us pray, saying, God, hear our prayer.

Intercessor For all people throughout the world; for your Church in every place, and especially for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Alan and Gayle our Bishops, let us pray to the Lord.

People God, hear our prayer.

Intercessor For Christ Church, Needham; for its people, clergy and staff, that your Holy Spirit would breathe on us and give us your grace, let us pray to the Lord.

People God, hear our prayer.

Intercessor For the leaders of this country and all nations; for Joe, our President and Maura, our Governor, let us pray to the Lord.

People God, hear our prayer.

Intercessor For all those who suffer; for the victims of poverty, hunger, violence, and oppression; and especially all refugees, let us pray to the Lord.

People God, hear our prayer.

Intercessor For all who work for justice and peace; for those who keep vigil and for those who maintain hope, let us pray to the Lord.

People God, hear our prayer.

Intercessor For the planet; that we care for all the gifts of your creation, let us pray to the Lord.

People God, hear our prayer.

Intercessor In thanksgiving for the abundance you place in our lives and for the rightful use of the gifts you give us, let us pray to the Lord.

People God, hear our prayer.

Intercessor For the sick; for those battling illness in body, mind, or spirit, especially those on our parish prayer list, and for the healers among us, let us pray to the Lord.

People God, hear our prayer.

Intercessor For all those who seek you, and for those who have no one else to pray for them, let us pray to the Lord.

People God, hear our prayer.

Intercessor For the departed; for those who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and those whose faith was known to you alone, let us pray to the Lord.

People God, hear our prayer.

Celebrant Rejoicing in the fellowship of wise ones, shepherds and angels, Mary and Joseph, we commend ourselves and all people to your unfailing love. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Enriching Our Worship, p. 56

Celebrant Let us also confess our sins to God.

A moment of silence is observed.

All 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.

Absolution

Celebrant 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.

Please stand as able.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

The people exchange a brief sign of Christ's peace.

Please be seated.

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offering of Our Gifts of Bread, Wine, and Financial Resources, Symbols of God's Abundance

Offertory Anthem

Doxology: Hymn 380 (V3)

Praise to God

Tune: *Old 100th*

Sung by All Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving - Prayer 1

Enriching our Worship, p. 57

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your son Jesus, Christ. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus S-129

Holy, holy, holy Lord

R. Powell

All

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. _____

Please kneel as able.

Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the

world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: “Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.” Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ’s Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All 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.

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem S-163

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world

All

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
 take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.
 Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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The Invitation

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died and lives for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion

All are invited to come forward to the Lord's Table. If you prefer a blessing rather than the bread,

please cross your hands over your chest. You may take the chalice and drink, or touch it as a sign of reverence. We are not intincting (dipping) the bread in the wine at this time.

Music During Communion

Please kneel as able.

Post-Communion Prayer

Enriching our Worship, pp. 69-70

Celebrant Let us pray.

All God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

The Blessing

adapted from Book of Occasional Services, p. 10

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—Creator, Christ, and Spirit—be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Please stand as able.

Closing Hymn

After the Closing Hymn, the Celebrant and Crucifer process to the back. Please sit to enjoy the postlude before the dismissal.

Organ Postlude

Please stand as able.

The Dismissal

Celebrant Our Savior is here! Let us go forth in his Name. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

HELP WITH WORSHIP!

We have opportunities for lay assistants to serve during worship throughout the year. If you haven't been involved before, now is a great time to try it out! Sign up to assist during worship [here](#).

VOLUNTEER TO HOST COFFEE HOUR

Our Coffee Hour ministry extends Jesus's hospitality from the Altar to the Upper Parish Hall. Sign up to host [coffee hour](#).

ONLINE LOOSE PLATE

[Your gift](#) supports the mission and ministry of Christ Church to love God and neighbor, as Jesus teaches.

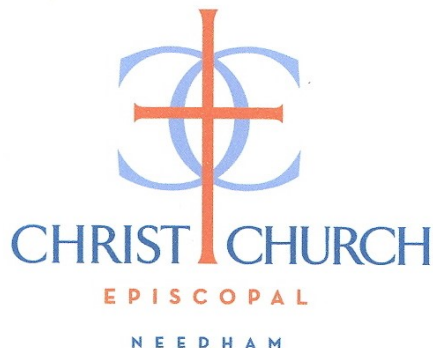
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