

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Second Sunday after the Epiphany – January 16, 2022

WE GATHER IN PRAISE

PRELUDE

OPENING HYMN

[Now the Silence](#)

Hymnal 333

OPENING PRAYERS

Presider Blessed be God, whom we know as Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be the Life of God among us!**

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider 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, worshipped, 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**

RITE OF REPENTANCE AND FORGIVENESS

Presider Let us offer repentance together.

Most holy and most loving God, we admit to you and to each other, that we are creatures who through foolishness or willfulness often choose darkness instead of light.

**Here and now we surrender to you our fears and proud opinions,
our short-sighted folly and misguided assumptions,
our deep-seated sins and apathy towards change and renewal.**

Forgive us the pain we have inflicted on others and upon ourselves.

In the light of your love, restore the hopes and ideals within our souls.

Trusting your grace, we earnestly pray:

“Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us,”
through Christ Jesus our Savior. Amen!

Presider Beloved of God, your sins are forgiven through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Take up your forgiveness with thanksgiving, and live without shame or anxiety.

SONG OF PRAISE

Christ, be our light (*refrain and v 2*)

Bernadette Farrell



Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us. Make us your living voice. (*refrain*)

THE WORD OF GOD

READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT I Corinthians 12:1-11

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Reader For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us:

People **Thanks be to God**

PSALM 36:5-10

- 5 Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, **and your faithfulness to the clouds.**
- 6 Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep;
you save both man and beast, O Lord.

- 7 How priceless is your love, O God!
your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.
- 8 They feast upon the abundance of your house;
you give them drink from the river of your delights.
- 9 For with you is the well of life, **and in your light we see light.**
- 10 Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you,
and your favor to those who are true of heart.

THE GOSPEL John 2:1-11

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON "Transforming Hospitality" The Rev. Dr. Kate Heichler

PRAYER REFRAIN The Lord is my light Taizé

The Lord is my light, my light and sal-va-tion; in God I trust. In God I trust. The

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FOR EPIPHANY

Please respond to "Jesus, Light of the World," with "Be visible in us."

Christ, our Light, we thank you for revealing God to us. Thank you for blessing us in so many ways, especially for the blessings we name now, aloud or in silence... and for...
Jesus, Light of the World: *Be visible in us.*

Christ, our Light, sages from the east came to worship you as a light to all nations. Give us peace in this world, light where darkness reigns, provision for all who hunger, and security for all who live in fear. We pray for all places and people we name now:
Jesus, Light of the World: *Be visible in us.*

Christ, our Light, the Church was born in the waters of your baptism. Bless your church in every place; make us beacons of light and bringers of peace. We pray especially for our Bishop, Mariann; our clergy; the mission of the Christ Churches; and other ministries we name now.... , that all may serve the world in your name.
Jesus, Light of the World: *Be visible in us.*

Christ, our Light, you revealed your power in the first miracle at Cana, power still with us through your Spirit. Give us the faith and courage to offer healing in your name for those we name now... and all whom our prayers have been asked...
Jesus, Light of the World: *Be visible in us.*

Christ, our Light, you shone on the Mount of Transfiguration, giving your friends a glimpse of you as their destination as well as their teacher and Lord. We pray for all who have died, that they may know life in your presence now and forever, especially those we name now...
Jesus, Light of the World: *Be visible in us.*

Celebrant offers a concluding prayer.

THE PEACE

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

The people exchange a sign of Christ's peace with their neighbors.

OFFERTORY [My God, thy table now is spread](#), vv 1,2,4

Hymnal 321

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Wayside at https://swipesimple.com/links/lnk_72387a78
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THE HOLY MEAL

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

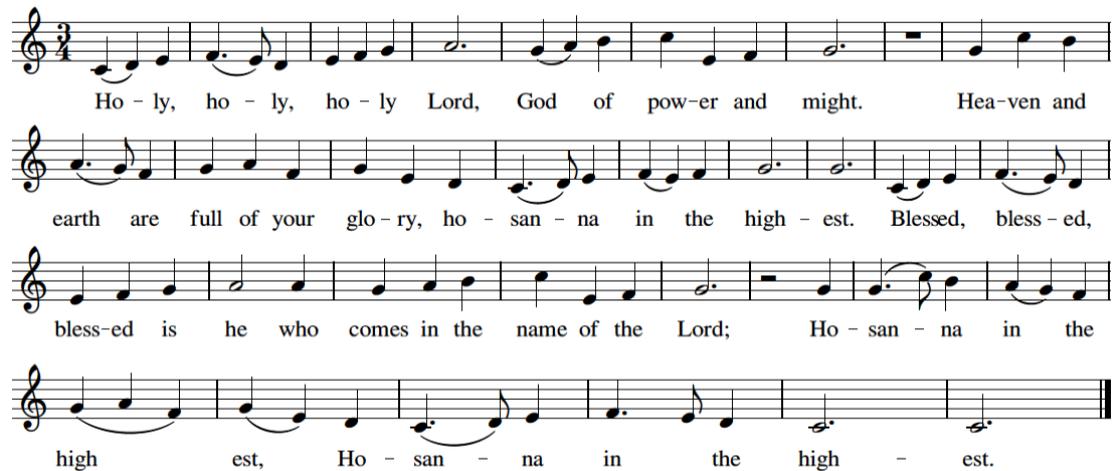
The people are invited to pray the words in bold type.

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, 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 our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (Sanctus)

Kate Heichler, 2000



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. Blessed, bless - ed,
bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; Ho - san - na in the
high est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "**Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for to remember me.**"

After supper he 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, poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this to remember me.**"

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, now and forever. Amen.**

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

AT THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD: Taste and See

Kate Heichler, 2006

Ta-ste and see the good-ness of the Lord, the bread he broke for us, Hal-le - lu-jah! -
- Ta-ste and see the wine that he ha - s poured, the great-est for the
least, Hal-le - lu-jah! So let us keep the feast, Hal-le - lu-jah!

THE COMMUNION

All present are welcome to the Altar rail for communion.

If you do not wish to receive, please cross your arms for a blessing. Those worshipping at home are invited to partake of consecrated bread and wine at home tables.

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION *(For those not receiving eucharist today)*

In union, O God, with your faithful people in every church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I offer you praise and thanksgiving. As I cannot receive you today in the sacrament of your Body and Blood, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. *Amen.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty God, we thank you that you have chosen to reveal yourself to us, through your Word, through prophets and sages, through stars and beacons, through signs and miracles, and in the Bread and Wine that we share at your Table. Open our eyes, Lord, to welcome your light into every corner of our hearts, that we might shine with its radiance and bear your light into every corner of this world. All this we pray in the name of God, Father, and the Son and Holy Spirit, Amen.

BLESSING

PRAYERS FOR BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

COMMUNITY NEWS

CLOSING HYMN

[We shall overcome](#), vv1 ,4,5

LEVAS 227

HYMNS

Hymns are found in the hymnals in our pews, and words are provided on slides at 11. Those worshipping online can click the link on the hymn name and find the tune there.

Our Organist today: **Martin Staub**; All rights reserved for copyrighted music. Music reprinted under CCLI License #21001962 and OneLicense.net #A-725477.

OUR PRAYERS

We give thanks for: Winter weather; safe ways to gather for worship

Birthdays and Anniversaries: Joanne Martin (1/17), Bart Richwine (1/19),
Diana Havenner (1/21)

We pray for:

Those in need of healing – Lou Demas, Bill Cooke, Ned Chalker, Bob Clark,
Scott Forward, Jesse, Nick LaMonica, Alicia Cordelle, Arlene Alvey, Gary Murray,
Steve and Kathy Blamer, Garner Burroughs

Those who have died: Mike Peddicord, son of Joyce Monroe

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HELPING A FAMILY IN NEED - A La Plata family needs clothing. If you're willing to purchase any of these items, please email Alicia Cordelle or call 301-860-9325. You can drop them off at Christ Church in La Plata Monday through Friday, 9 am - 1 pm.

For Mom: Medium top and size 8 pants; Size 8 shoes

For Boy, age 11: Clothes, small men's; Size 6 (men/boys) shoes

For Girl, age 7: Size 13 Kids shoes; **For all:** Winter clothing (coats, hats, scarves, gloves, boots, shoes and warm shirts, hoodies etc); **For the kids:** underwear and socks.

UNDERSTANDING THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH – Sunday mornings at 10:10. During the Learning Hour this season, Rev. Kate is leading a course on the Episcopal Church – history, worship, patterns of believing and behaving. Want to know what makes this corner of God's church so special? Join us online Sunday mornings.

THE GOSPEL OF JOHN – BIBLE STUDY WEDNESDAYS 7-8 PM – The Wednesday night Bible Study (7 pm, online) is studying the Fourth Gospel, a very different beast from Matthew, Mark and Luke. It is a great gospel to read with a group! Please join us any Wednesday that works for you.

BYLAW REVISION – Christ Church in La Plata – a team led by Barbara Palko worked long and hard to revise our parish bylaws. You can review the proposed version [here](#), and a list of the changes made [here](#). We will vote to accept these at our Annual Parish Meeting February 6th.

ANNUAL MEETINGS – In accordance with our bylaws, notice is hereby given:

La Plata February 6 after church; Wayside: *tbd* Due to Covid restrictions, we will not hold the meeting on January 30; it will be rescheduled, possibly to February 27.

ONLINE GIVING – La Plata: You can text a donation - text "CCLAPLATA" to 73256, and follow the prompts. You can give to Open Plate or toward your pledge. You can also give online - go to www.christchurchlaplata.org and scroll down to the "Donate" link.

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