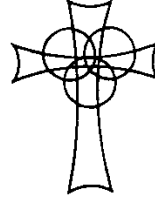


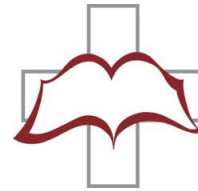
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Midweek Devotions and Bible Study
Wednesday in the Fourth Week after the Epiphany
February 3, 2021



Service of the Word in the Season of Epiphany

✠ *In the Name of Jesus!* ✠

The Opening Versicles:

Psalms 51:15, 70:1, 36:9

- P** O Lord, open my lips,
C and my mouth will declare Your praise.
- P** Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
C make haste to help me, O Lord.
- P** For with You, O God, is the fountain of life;
C and in Your light do we see light.
- C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
Praise to You, O Christ. Alleluia!

- P** ¹Praise the LORD!
I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.
- C** ²**Great are the works of the LORD,
studied by all who delight in them.**
- P** ³Full of splendor and majesty is his work,
and his righteousness endures forever.
- C** ⁴**He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered;
the LORD is gracious and merciful.**
- P** ⁵He provides food for those who fear him;
he remembers his covenant forever.
- C** ⁶**He has shown his people the power of his works,
in giving them the inheritance of the nations.**
- P** ⁷The works of his hands are faithful and just;
all his precepts are trustworthy;
- C** ⁸**they are established forever and ever,
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.**
- P** ⁹He sent redemption to his people;
he has commanded his covenant forever.
Holy and awesome is his name!
- C** ¹⁰**The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;
all those who practice it have a good understanding.
His praise endures forever!**
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

¹Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time, saying, ²“Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you.” ³So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, three days’ journey in breadth. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s journey. And he called out, “Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” ⁵And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them.

⁶The word reached the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, removed his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. ⁷And he issued a proclamation and published through Nineveh, “By the decree of the king and his nobles: Let neither man

nor beast, herd nor flock, taste anything. Let them not feed or drink water, ⁸but let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and let them call out mightily to God. Let everyone turn from his evil way and from the violence that is in his hands. ⁹Who knows? God may turn and relent and turn from his fierce anger, so that we may not perish.”

¹⁰When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

The Scripture Study for the Day

Jonah – A Prophet for Epiphany
Jonah, chapter 3

The Prayers:

P From the rising of the sun to its setting, let us pray to the Lord.

P That the people of God in all the world may worship the Lord in spirit and in truth:

C **Lord, hear our prayer.**

P That the Church may discover again that unity which is the Father’s will:

C **Lord, hear our prayer.**

P That the nations of the earth may seek after the ways that make for peace:

C **Lord, hear our prayer.**

P That the whole creation, groaning in travail, may be set free to enjoy the glorious liberty of the children of God:

C **Lord, hear our prayer.**

P That all who with Christ have passed through the shadow of death may rest in peace and rise in glory:

C **Lord, hear our prayer.**

P Let us commend the world, to which Christ came as the Way, Truth, and Life, to the mercy and protection of God.

Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.

The Lord's Prayer:

- P** Believing the promises of God, let us pray with confidence as our Savior Christ has taught us:
- C** **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 forever and ever. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day:

- P** Let us pray.
Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

The Collect for Peace:

- P** O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C** **Amen.**

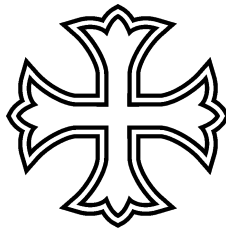
The Closing Prayer:

after Gregory the Great (604)

- P** Together we pray:
- C** **O good Jesus,
Word of the Father and brightness of His glory,
whom angels desire to behold:
teach me to do Your will
that, guided by Your Spirit,
I may come to that blessed city of everlasting day,
where all are one in heart and mind,
where there is safety and eternal peace,
happiness and delight,
where You live with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
world without end. Amen.**

The Benediction:

- P** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.
- C** **Amen.**



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