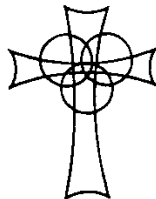




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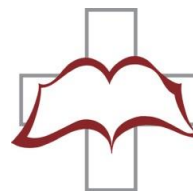
**"THIS IS MY
BELOVED SON,
WITH WHOM
I AM WELL
PLEASED."
MATTHEW 3:17, ESV**



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Midweek Devotions and Bible Study
Wednesday in the First Week after the Epiphany
January 13, 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** ¹Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- C** ²**Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.**
- P** ³The voice of the LORD is over the waters;
the God of glory thunders,
the LORD, over many waters.
- C** ⁴**The voice of the LORD is powerful;
the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.**
- P** ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars;
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.
- C** ⁶**He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf,
and Sirion like a young wild ox.**
- P** ⁷The voice of the LORD
flashes forth flames of fire.
- C** ⁸**The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**
- P** ⁹The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth
and strips the forests bare,
and in his temple all cry, "Glory!"
- C** ¹⁰**The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.**
- P** ¹¹May the LORD give strength to his people!
May the LORD bless his people with peace!
- 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.**

¹³Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" ¹⁵But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. ¹⁶And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; ¹⁷and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

- P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

Mark 1:9-11

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

Luke 3:21-22

²¹Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

John 1:29-34

²⁹The next day he [John] saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.’ ³¹I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel.” ³²And John bore witness: “I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. ³³I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ ³⁴And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God.”

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.

Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, 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.**

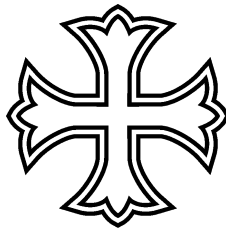
The Closing Prayer:

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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