

Christ Church Cathedral † Nashville, Tennessee

Sunday, January 31, 2021 FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

4 Epiphany, Year B

PRELUDE Max Williams

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bienvenido a todos

- We are so glad you have joined us this evening and we hope you make yourself comfortable and enjoy an ancient service of worship in a casual context.
- The offering you submit online this evening will represent the first fruits of your life and labor dedicated to God. It will be used for the work of God's kingdom at the corner of 9th and Broadway and beyond.
- We are celebrating the service of Holy Eucharist, An Order for Holy Communion, which begins on (*BCP, p. 355*).

AN ORDER FOR CELEBRATING THE HOLY EUCHARIST

OPENING HYMN

The Lord is my Light

Lillian Bouknight

The Lord is my light and my salvation, the Lord is my light and my salvation The Lord is my light, and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

Refrain

Whom shall I fear, whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the strength of my life, whom shall I fear?

In the time of trouble, he shall hide me, in the time of trouble, he shall hide me In the time of trouble, he shall hide me; whom shall I fear? *Refrain*

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless his holy name! (repeat)

For he has done great things, he has done great things

He has done great things, bless his holy name!

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Leader The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Leader Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON - I Corinthians 8:1-13

Reader A reading from First Corinthians.

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him.

Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "no idol in the world really exists," and that "there is no God but one." Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords—yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. "Food will not bring us close to God." We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 111

1 Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, * in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

2 Great are the deeds of the LORD! * they are studied by all who delight in them.

- 3 His work is full of majesty and splendor, * and his righteousness endures for ever.
- 4 He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; * the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.
- 5 He gives food to those who fear him; * he is ever mindful of his covenant.
- 6 He has shown his people the power of his works * in giving them the lands of the nations.
- 7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; * all his commandments are sure.
- 8 They stand fast for ever and ever, * because they are done in truth and equity.
- 9 He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever; * holy and awesome is his Name.
- The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; * those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures for ever.

GOSPEL HYMN He is Here Jimmy and Carol Owens

He is here, He is here, He is moving among us He is here, He is here, as we gather in His name He is here, He is here, and He wants to work a wonder He is here, as we gather in His name.

He is Lord, He is Lord, let us worship before Him He is Lord, He is Lord, as we gather in His Name He is Lord, He is Lord, let us praise and adore Him Yesterday and today and forever-more the same.

THE GOSPEL LESSON -Mark 1:21-28

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. †††

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent,

and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

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

THE SERMON – The Reverend Matthew W. Lewis A moment of silence and reflection follows the sermon.

CONFESSION OF FAITH (BCP, p. 358)

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, 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM IV

The Leader and People pray responsively

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love and reveal your glory in the world. We pray For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church; and John, the Bishop of Tennessee and for all the clergy and people. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for the Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we remember St. Peter's, Columbia.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land; and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray for all those serving our country at home and abroad, and all those who suffer because of civil strife, that war may end, and peace be established. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others, and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. For all teachers, students, and administrators and all places of learning. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled, and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. *Silence may be kept.*

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Worship Leader concludes with an absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**.

THE PEACE

Leader The peace of the Lord be always with you. *La paz del Senor sea siempre contigo.*

People And also with you.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Many thanks to our readers, musicians, and to our technical director, Roger Rhoads. And to all those behind the scenes...

Please join us here at Christ Church Cathedral for BreakingBread@6 every Sunday evening. You are also invited to join our private Facebook group here: https://bit.ly/2LQyZ0d

If you are new to the BreakingBread@6 community and would like to be on our weekly email update, sign up here: https://bit.ly/36pUy12

If you would like more information or have any questions, please contact rwineland@christcathedral.org **BB@6 Zoom Coffee Hour:** Join us on **Sunday, February 7, from 5:00 to 5:50 p.m.** to chat with the Reverend Richard Wineland and other parishioners before the liturgy at 6:00 p.m. This coffee hour takes place every first Sunday of the month, mark your calendars. https://zoom.us/j/98134636133
Meeting **ID:** 981 3463 6133

OFFERTORY MUSIC Max Williams



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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift 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 him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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:

Celebrant and People

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
God of power and might
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the He who comes in the Name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!

(Land of Rest, American folk tune)

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, 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 the remembrance of 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, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with blessed John the Baptizer and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen**.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People 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

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face And the things of earth will grow strangely dim, in the light of his glory and grace

THE INVITATION

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Leader Let us pray.

People Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Go now, follow where Christ calls you; Avoid becoming bound up in the business of the world,; Live in readiness for the inbreaking of the Kingdom.; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen**.

CLOSING SONG Here Comes the Sun George Harrison

Here comes the sun, here comes the sun, and I say, it's all right...

Brothers, sisters, it's been a long cold lonely winter; brothers, sisters, it seems like years since it's been her. Here comes the sun, here comes the sun, and I say It's all right

All God's people, the smiles returning to our faces; beloved people, it feels like years since it's been here Here comes the sun, here comes the sun, and I say It's all right

Sisters, brothers, I feel that ice is slowly melting; chosen people, it seems like years since it's been clear Here comes the sun, here comes the sun, and I say

It's all right It's all right It's all right

THE DISMISSAL

Leader Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

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