# MORNING PRAYER II EPIPHANY V (FEB 7, 2021)

PRELUDE Healer of our Every Ill

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### WELCOME

Good morning and welcome to St. Matthew Episcopal Church. I am Mother Patricia and it is a pleasure to worship with you on this fifth Sunday after Epiphany. This bilingual service is in English and Spanish. If you would like read along, click on the link above the Facebook announcement for this service for a worship booklet in either English or Spanish.

If you have prayers for special intentions, please write them in the comment section on your Facebook page.

## **HYMN Healer of our Every Ill**

Marty Haugen

# Refrain

Healer of our every ill, light of each tomorrow, give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow.

1. You who know our fears and sadness,

Grace us with your peace and gladness,

Spirit of all comfort: fill our hearts.

Refrain

2. In the pain and joy beholding,

How your grace is still unfolding,

Give us all your vision: God of love.

Refrain

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

**People** And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

### **Jubilate Psalm 100**

The Lord has shown forth his glory: Come let us adore him.

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; \* serve the Lord with gladness and come

before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; \* he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; \* give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; \* and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

The Lord has shown forth his glory: Come let us adore him.

# The Psalm for the Day

- 1 Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises to our God! \* how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!
- 2 The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem; \* he gathers the exiles of Israel.
- 3 He heals the brokenhearted \* and binds up their wounds.
- 4 He counts the number of the stars \* and calls them all by their names.
- 5 Great is our LORD and mighty in power; \* there is no limit to his wisdom.
- 6 The LORD lifts up the lowly, \* but casts the wicked to the ground.
- 7 Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; \* make music to our God upon the harp.
- 8 He covers the heavens with clouds \* and prepares rain for the earth;
- 9 He makes grass to grow upon the mountains \* and green plants to serve mankind.
- 10 He provides food for flocks and herds \* and for the young ravens when they cry.
- 11 He is not impressed by the might of a horse; \* he has no pleasure in the strength of a man:
- 12 But the LORD has pleasure in those who fear him, \* in those who await his gracious favor.
- 21 Hallelujah!
- Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \* as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

### THE LESSONS

### A Reading from the prophet Isaiah

Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint. Here ends the reading

## Third Song of Isaiah

Arise, shine, for your light has come, \* and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.

For behold, darkness covers the land; \* deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.

But over you the Lord will rise, \* and his glory will appear upon you.

Nations Will stream to your light, \* and kings to the brightness of your dawning.

Your gates will always be open; \* by day or night they will never be shut.

They will call you, The City of the Lord, \* The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.

Violence will no more be heard in your land, \* ruin or destruction within borders.

You will call your walls, Salvation, \* and all your portals, Praise.

The sun will no more be your light by day; \* by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.

The Lord will be your everlasting light, \* and your God will be your glory. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \* as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

## A Reading from First Corinthians

If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

Here ends the reading

### A Song of Praise

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; \* you are worthy of praise; glory to you.

Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; \* we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; \* on the throne of your majesty, glory to you. Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; \* we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you, beholding the depths; \* in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.

Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; \* we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

# HYMN Id y Enseñad (Go and Teach)

1. You are the seed that must grow and bear fruit, You're a star that must shine bringing light. You are the yeast, you are the salt of the earth, a beacon that shines in the night. You're the grain that bursts forth with new life. You are a thorn, yet a voice full of love, my witness to all who will hear.

Refrain:

Go, my friends, to all the world, announce forgiveness and love, heralds of the new life I bring, peace and love for all.

2. You are the torch that must burst forth in flame, turning hearts to faith and charity.

You are shepherds that lead all the world in pathways of light and peace.

You are the friends that I choose for my own, you're the Word that I want to proclaim.

You're the new Kingdom, creating new life of justice, of love and of truth.

Refrain

# A Reading from the Gospel of Mark

After Jesus and his disciples left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

Here ends the reading.

**SERMON** 

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

### THE PRAYERS

The people stand or kneel

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

# The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

### **Suffrages B**

- V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;
- R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.
- V. Day by day we bless you;
- R. We praise your Name for ever.
- V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;
- R. Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.
- V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;
- R. For we put our trust in you.
- V. In you, Lord, is our hope;
- R. And we shall never hope in vain.

## The Collect of the Day

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

## A Collect for Sundays

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

## For our Country

Almighty God, you have given us this good land to care for: We humbly beseech you that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of your favor and glad to do your will. Bless our land with honorable industry, sound learning, and pure manners. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion; from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way. Defend our liberties, and fashion into one united people the multitudes brought here from many lands and tongues. Endue with the spirit of wisdom those to whom in your Name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that, through obedience to your law, we may show forth your praise among the nations of the earth. In the time of prosperity, fill our hearts with thankfulness, and in the day of trouble, suffer not our trust in you to fail; all we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

# For quiet confidence

O God of peace, you have taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved, in quietness and in confidence will be our strength: By the might of your Spirit lift us, we pray you, to your presence, where we may be still and know that you are God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

# **Prayers of the People**

Let us pray to God, who is made manifest in Jesus Christ, saying Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

As the prophet Isaiah rang out, "Arise, shine; for your light has come"; empower your Church, O God, to ring out the Good News of the Light of your son Jesus, which pierces even the deepest darkness.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

As a star rose high into the nighttime sky to draw the nations to the Christ-child; send your blessing, O God, on this nation, and every nation, and draw the whole world to your peace and truth.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

As John the Baptist guided throngs of people to the edge of the wilderness and baptized Jesus in the River Jordan, we pray that you would guide our country and our leaders to the ways of justice and righteousness.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

As Jesus climbed the mountaintop, and proclaimed blessings on the people of the world;	we
pray for the sick and the distressed, the poor and the lame, especially	
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.	

As Jesus called his disciples to leave their nets and boats, and follow him; we pray for those we love and who have answered your call to follow Jesus to your Heavenly Kingdom, especially for \_\_\_\_\_\_. Give them your peace.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

You may add your own prayers and thanksgivings at this time, either silently or aloud.

## Officiant says,

Lord Jesus, Light of the World, hear our prayers, and make us reflections of your Light, that the places of darkness in our world would be pierced by your Light, and that all nations would be drawn to you and be overwhelmed with joy. Amen.

Written by Rick Morley, alt. P. Trytten

#### **HYMN Lord of the Dance**

1. I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
And I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth,
At Bethlehem I had my birth.
Refrain:

Dance then wherever you may be, I am the Lord of the dance, said he, And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be, And I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.

- 2. I danced for the scribe and the pharisee,
  But they wouldn't dance, and they wouldn't follow me.
  I danced for the fishermen, for James and John,
  They came with me and the dance went on.
  Refrain
- 3. I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame:
  The holy people said it was a shame.
  They whipped and they stripped and they hung me high,
  And left me there on the cross to die.
  Refrian

# A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen*.

### A FRANCISCAN BLESSING

May God bless you with discomfort at easy answers, half truths, and superficial relationships, so that you may live deep within your heart. Amen

May God bless you with anger at injustice, oppression and exploitation of people, so that you may work for justice, freedom and peace. Amen.

May God bless you with tears to shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, starvation and war, so that you may reach out your hand to comfort them and to turn their pain into joy. Amen

May God bless you with enough foolishness to believe that you can make a difference in this world, so that you can do what others claim cannot be done. Amen.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen*.

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. *Amen. Ephesians 3:20, 21* 

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 1. Wednesday, February 17, 2021 is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. At noon and again at 5:30 pm Ashes to Go will be available in the front parking lot. Please wear a mask and remain in your car. More instructions as we get closed to the day.
- 2. Beginning Wednesday, February 24, 2021 at 6:30 pm our Lenten Devotional series on Listening begins. Out time together includes readings, journaling, and discussion groups in both English and Spanish. Watch your email next week for registration materials.
- 3. Sunday, February 28 following our worship service at 12:30 pm, we will hold our virtual Annual meeting. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. More information to follow.

**POSTLUDE** *Healer of our Every Ill*Marty Haugen arr. Ted Wilson Doug Moffet, saxophone; Ted Wilson, piano; Roy Vogt, bass; Duffy Jackson, drums.