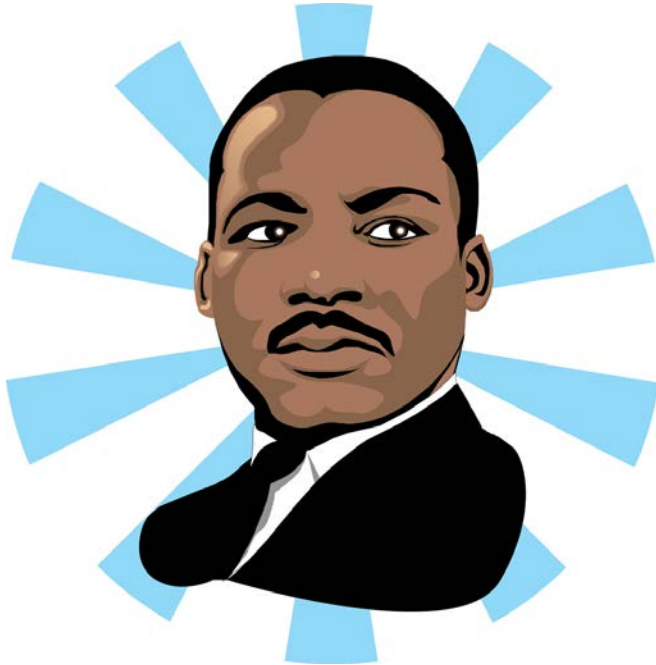


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“Second Sunday after The Epiphany”
(Family Sunday-Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday!)

January 15, 2017



The Very Rev. Dr. J. Mastine Nisbett, *Rector/Dean*
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Captive and the Oppressed”
*(“You are asked to please turn off all mobile devices during the
service. Thank you!”)*

Holy Eucharist

Processional Hymn (1982)

No. 599

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD (Rite II) p. 355

(The people standing, the Celebrant says)

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be His kingdom, now and forever,

Amen

The Celebrant says:

The Collect for Purity:

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your Holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen

Hymn of Praise (Levas)

No. 245

The Celebrant says to the people:

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect for: "Second Sunday after the Epiphany": 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, worshiped, 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.*

A reading from The Prophet Isaiah (49: 1-7)

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away The LORD called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. ² He made my mouth like a sharp sword in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. ³ And he said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.' ⁴ But I said, 'I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God.' ⁵ And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honoured in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength— ⁶ he says, 'It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.' ⁷ Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, 'Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.'

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God. (*moment of silence*)

Psalm 40: 1-12

- 1 I waited patiently upon the LORD; * he stooped to me and heard my cry.
- 2 *He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay; * he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure.*
- 3 He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; * many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the LORD.
- 4 *Happy are they who trust in the LORD! * they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.*
- 5 Great things are they that you have done, O LORD my God! how great your wonders and your plans for us!
* there is none who can be compared with you.
- 6 *Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! * but they are more than I can count.*
- 7 In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure
* (you have given me ears to hear you);
- 8 *Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required, * and so I said, "Behold, I come.*
- 9 In the roll of the book it is written concerning me:
"I love to do your will, O my God; your law is deep in my heart."
- 10 *I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; * behold, I did not restrain my lips; and that, O LORD, you know.*

11 Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance;
* I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the
great congregation.

12 *You are the LORD; do not withhold your compassion
from me; * let your love and your faithfulness keep me
safe for ever,*

*(All) 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 Paul's letter to the 1Corinthians (1: 1-9)

¹Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God,
and our brother Sosthenes, ²To the church of God that is in
Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be
saints, together with all those who in every place call on the
name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord* and ours
³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord
Jesus Christ. ⁴I give thanks to my* God always for you because
of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵for
in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and
knowledge of every kind— ⁶just as the testimony of* Christ has
been strengthened among you— ⁷so that you are not lacking in
any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus
Christ. ⁸He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may
be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is
faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God. (*moment of silence*)

Gradual Hymn: *O Lord, You Called Disciples*

O Lord, you called disciples, proclaiming, "Come and see!"
And so an invitation began your ministry.
Then Andrew called his brother, and Peter came to you;
More men and women followed, and little children, too.

You met a busy woman out in the noon-day sun.
You shared God's love, you listened; you told all she had done.
She called her friends and neighbors and brought them face to
face
With you, the living water, the bearer of God's grace.

O Christ, your invitation has reached from year to year!
Through some who heard you calling, a church was founded
here.
As faithful people served you so many years ago,*
They soon invited others; your church began to grow.

God, by your Holy Spirit, now send us in your name
To serve the lost and outcast, the poor for whom you came.
Through gifts of hope and healing, through loving ministry,
May we reach out, inviting the world to "Come and see!"

*The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John 1
(29-42)*

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

29 The next day he saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! 30 This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me." 31 I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.' 32 And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. 33 I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit." 34 And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.'* 35 The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, 36 and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, 'Look, here is the Lamb of God!' 37 The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. 38 When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you staying?' 39 He said to them, 'Come and see.' They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. 40 One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. 41 He first found his brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated Anointed*). 42 He brought Simon* to Jesus, who looked at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas' (which is translated Peter*).

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Message: *Nailah Jones*
(*moment of silence*)

The Nicene Creed (BCP)	pg. 358
Prayers of the People (Form II)	pg. 385
The Penitence (BCP)	pg. 393
Exchange of the Peace	

At The Offertory

Anthem (Choir):

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Hymn: (Levas) No. 46

Hymn after the Offertory

Give thanks with a Grateful Heart,

Give thanks to the Holy One:

Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son

And now let the weak say, "I am strong"

Let the poor say "I am rich,"

Because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

Presentation of Elements

The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer "B") pg. 367

The Great Mystery

Hymns during Communion: (Levas) Nos. 227, 226, 225

Post Communion Prayer:

"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."

Greetings and Announcements

The Blessings

Recessional Hymn: “God, May Your Justice Roll Down”

God, may your justice roll down like the waters you send here,
And may your righteousness flow like a stream without end
here!

Praying this prayer, many have struggled and dared,
All for the world you intend here.

Christ, we give thanks for past saints who renewed education,
Freed the oppressed, brought your healing and fought
segregation.

Savior and Lord, great were the risks they endured,
Bearing your hope and salvation.

We as your church now remember these stories of others
And pray your Spirit will send us, as your sons and daughters.
Show us the way we, too, can serve you each day
Till justice rolls down like waters.

Dismissal

Musical Postlude (*please remain seated*)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's Usher's:

8:00 AM - Linval Cox; Marlene Thompson

10:30 AM - “Youth Ushers Selected”

(February Ushers schedule now posted)

We welcome all visitors this morning, especially anyone visiting
for the first time. Please sign our Guestbook located in the
narthex (lobby) and do *visit us again*.

Check the desk in the narthex for your New Offering Envelopes. If you have not completed, signed and returned pledge cards you will not find envelopes in your name until you have done so. Please note: numbers have been changed, so check by name only.

Asking for volunteers to host upcoming Fellowship Hours following morning services. See list on desk in rear of the church. Thanks!

This Week's Events

BSA (Brotherhood of St. Andrew) will meet this morning Sunday, Jan. 15th, 2017 following the 10:30 AM service. All men invited to attend.

Jubilee Celebration Meeting: Tuesday, January 17, 2017 @ 7:30 PM

Bible Study: Next meeting, Wednesday, Jan. 18th, 2017 @9:00 AM. All invited and don't forget your book.

Telephonic Prayer Group: Every Wednesday & Thursday evening @8PM (712)432-8399, access code:707241# (all are welcome and invited to participate).

Parish Choir rehearsal – Thursdays, @ 7:30 PM. All members are asked to be present. Currently accepting new members.

Youth Group meet on Fridays @ 7:30 pm.

Youth Choir rehearsals – Saturdays @ 5:00 pm

The Jamaica Deanery is providing free Legal Advice on a variety of legal problems such as i.e. *Orders of Protection; Divorce; Custody; Visitation; Child support; Immigration; Living Wills and much more*, next Saturday, January 21, 2017 (10 AM to 3 PM). Place: St. Joseph's Episcopal Church, 99-10 217th St., Queens Village, NY 11429. (Legal Mobile Van) See flyers on table in Narthex.

Meeting of "Care-Group Leaders" on Sunday, January 22nd, 2017 following the 10:30 AM service.

Upcoming Events

January Birthday Celebration: Sunday, January 29th, 2017 following both services. See *Rosalyn Brown* (8 AM):*Annette Marion* (10:30 AM).

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Meditation: "Spontaneous Witnessing"

When Christ has been revealed to us it should be almost impossible for us to be quiet about it. (*John 1:29 & 36*) bear witness to this. John the Baptist sees Jesus walking alongside the road and he cannot contain himself from proclaiming. "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" It is John's natural impulse to share the good news when the Good News is present in his life. Because of John's bold proclamation, two others follow Jesus and become his disciples. Sometimes our best and most effective witnessing is done when we are simply but boldly acknowledging the presence of God in our lives. The sincere recognition of and excitement about what God is up to in our lives can be enough to inspire others to wonder about who this Jesus is. In this text Jesus invites the two men to "come and see" (*John 1:39*). They do, and they invite others to do the same. John's role was to tell aloud what he knew to be true, what he had experienced in his own life. We, too, can invite others to come and see. Have we ever been so assured of Christ's presence in our daily lives that we have shouted it aloud almost impulsively? Are there times when God's grace is so tangible in our lives that we can't help but witness to it? Have we ever encountered people like John the Baptist who seem so attuned to God's presence that we long to be around them, hoping to catch glimpses of God? Let us pray for hearts to receive Jesus' revelations and mouths to proclaim his presence among us.

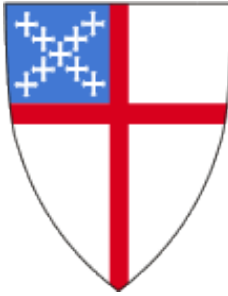
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