

WE GATHER

Voluntary Bill Ducworth, Organist/Choirmaster

Procession *Glorious things of thee are spoken* Hymn# 522

The Liturgy Begins Book of Common Prayer 355

The Gloria S-278

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.

WE LISTEN

First Reading Isaiah 40:21-31

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.



Psalm 147:1-12, 21c

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.

21c Hallelujah!

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 9:16-23

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.

The Gospel Hymn

Surely it is God who saves me

Hymn #679

The Gospel Reading

Mark 1:29-39

Jesus left the synagogue at Capernaum, and 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.

Sermon

The Rev. Jack Hardaway

WE RESPOND

The Nicene Creed

Book of Common Prayer p. 358

The Prayers of the People Form VI

Book of Common Prayer p. 392

The Peace

Book of Common Prayer p. 360

ANNOUNCEMENTS**WE OFFER UP**

The Offertory Anthem *Morning Star*

19th Cent-Moravium Hymn

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B

Book of Common Prayer p. 367

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

Hymn #S-128

The Lord's Prayer

Book of Common Prayer p. 364

The Fraction Anthem

Hymn #S-154

WE ARE FED

The Communion Hymns

Breath on me

Hymn #508

O for a closer walk with God

Hymn #683

Sending out of Lay Eucharistic Minister

Celebrant: In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts to Margie Osburn and Evelyn Jones that they may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

All: We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one Cup.

Post-Communion Thanksgiving

Book of Common Prayer p. 366

The Blessing

The Procession

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

Hymn #461

v. 1, 2, 3

WE ARE SENT OUT

The Sending Forth

Book Common Prayer p. 366

Having been fed the body and blood of Christ we are compelled to go out into the world to proclaim the Good News of God in Christ, to seek and serve Christ in all persons, to strive for justice and peace among all people, and to respect the dignity of every human being.

ANNOUNCEMENTS**Calling All Artists and Creative Types!****Lenten Art Show in the Parish Hall****Wilderness Wandering**

Reflections on Mark 1:12-13

"And the Spirit drove him into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him."

The show begins Ash Wednesday (Feb. 22) and runs through Pentecost (May 27th).

The Next show will be "Holy Fire" reflections on Pentecost and will run from Pentecost through the summer.



