

**The Episcopal Church of Our Saviour
The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany, Year B**

✠ January 28, 2024 ✠

Holy Eucharist Rite II – 9:30 a.m.

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Chip Mays – Director of Music*

Welcome to Our Parish!



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Our Mission Statement:

Celebrate Christ + Serve Christ + Share Christ

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Opening Voluntary:

Meditation on *Ubi Caritas*
-Carson Cooman

Processional Hymn:

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O for a thousand tongues to sing

Azmon

Celebrant: Blessed be God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

Celebrant:

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.**

Gloria:

S 278

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: 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.

People: Amen.

The Lessons

A Reading from Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Moses said: The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: “If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die.” Then the Lord replied to me: “They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die.”

Reader:

The Word of the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 111

Jerome Webster Meachen
(b. 1930)



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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.

10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; *
those who act accordingly have a good understanding;
his praise endures for ever.

A Reading from 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

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.

The Sequence Hymn:

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God is love, and where true love is

Mandatum

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to [Mark 1:21-28]

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.

Priest:

The Gospel of the Lord.

People:

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily

Fr. Ray

The Nicene Creed (*Stand.*)

BCP 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

The Prayers of the People, Form VI

BCP 392

Intercessor: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Intercessor: For all people in their daily life and work;

People: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Intercessor: For this community, the nation, and the world;

People: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Intercessor: For the just and proper use of your creation;

People: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Intercessor: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People: For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Intercessor: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For The Church of South Africa, St. Timothy's, Columbia, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Daniel, our Bishop, Ray, our Priest-In-Charge; and all bishops and other ministers and for all who serve God in his Church.

Intercessor: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation especially: **Caroline** (*Jan & Wendy Hope's granddaughter*), **Diane Woods, Les Woods, Abigail Duval, Mel, Shirley Hunt, Janet Pritchard, Cindy Lyons** (*friends to Jan & Wendy Hope*), **Miley Rhoad, Linda Knight, and Kathy Sholl**, (*friends to Martha Macdonald*), **Mike Taylor, and Tim** (*friends to Manning & Sheilah Kimmel*), **Rose Teuscher** (*sister to June Chakmakian*), **Saida Tahera** (*friend to Susanne Okey*), **Mark Hayden** (*friend to Becky Ferguson*), **Brad Couick** (*Jeff Couick's brother*), **Kay**

McCallum (*mother-in-law to Julia McCallum*), **Caroline Chou** (*Rachel Hubbard's mother*), **Joe Bennett, Keith Powers** (*friends to Rebecca Myers and Melanie Hurst*), **Margaret, Simon** (*Wendy Hope's brother*), **Lori Hoffman** (*friend to Judy Rauppius*), **Joe Borer** (*father to Lynne Arnson*), **Carol Moncello and the Cribb Family, Lizann Rex, Brian and Joseph Dubas** (*father and brother to Claire Incorvati*), **Keith and Simpson Families, Angie** (*known to Barbara Baer*), **Lillie, Arthur** (*friend to Jane Wilson*), **Brian Cox, Glenn Hoeft** (*brother-in-law to Dottie White*), **Arthur** (*friend to Gardy and Jane Wilson*), **Ursula Progl, Diane** (*friend to the McGill family*), **Shayla Humphreys** (*granddaughter to John Wallace*), **Marion Mannheim, John Boulanger**, (*brother to June Chakmakian*), **Barbara Marnock, Eliza Wilson and Family, Sophia Beers, Walter Jenkins, Will Ardis** (*brother to Chris Ardis*), **Scott Williams** (*friend to Pat Huckabee*), **Melanie Hurst, Donna Aloia.**

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Intercessor: Hear us, Lord;

People: For your mercy is great.

Intercessor: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We pray especially for those celebrating birthdays this week: **Wesley Hane, Julian Smith, Charles Yearta, Ray Waldon, Jeannie Haubert.**

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

Intercessor: We will exalt you, O God our King;

People: And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Intercessor: We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, especially:

People: **Robert Langston** (*friend to Richard and Karen Hill*)

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Intercessor: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People: **Who put their trust in you.**

Intercessor: We pray for our country and the world:

People: **Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart [and especially the hearts of the people of this land], that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Intercessor: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Intercessor 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 Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

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

All stand.

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Fr. Ray's two-minute children's Conversation (ages 2 to 11)

BLESSING OF MILESTONES

Birthdays, Anniversaries, and Milestones

*(if you are celebrating a Birthday, Anniversary, or Milestone this week,
please come forward)*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

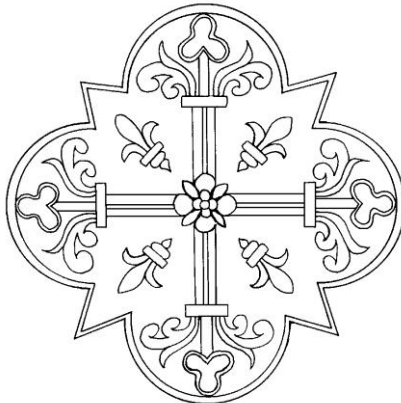
Vestry Person of the Week: Karen Hill

Celebrant: Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his name;
bring offering and come into his courts. *Psalm 96:8*

Ushers will gather the alms at this time.

Giving is also available electronically at www.ecoos.org.

The Flowers this Sunday are given by
Reesa McCrorey
In Celebration of Fr. Ray's Birthday



THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Offertory Anthem: O Saviour of the World
-Arthur Somervell

Offertory Hymn: 533
How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise *Lyons*

The Great Thanksgiving, Rite II, Prayer C BCP 369

The Sanctus S 128

The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

Celebrant: [Alleluia] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People: Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia]

The Fraction Anthem S 163

Communion Hymn: 339
Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness *Schmücke dich*

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us Pray.

The Post-Communion Prayer BCP 365, 366

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, may bless the people.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: 530
Spread, O spread, thou mighty word *Gott sei Dank*

Priest: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Closing Voluntary: Toccata in Seven -John Rutter

OUR SUNDAY MINISTERS



Acolytes:	<i>Colin Okey, Ella Burgess, Noah Burgess</i>
Lectors:	<i>Tami Windell, Ryan Baker</i>
Eucharistic Ministers:	<i>David Stringer, Gardy Wilson</i>
Audio Video:	<i>Steve McGill, Manning Kimmel</i>
Ushers:	<i>Robert Carter, Dana Wilcox</i>
Altar Guild:	<i>Diane Crawford, Mary Okey, Cathie Smith, Deidre Landis, Emily Ballard, Dottie White, Wendy Hope</i>
Vestry of the Week:	<i>Karen Hill</i>
Nursery:	<i>Randy Hart</i>
Basket-of-the-Week:	<i>Education Equals Hope</i>
Coffee Hour:	<i>JOIN US for the Annual Meeting!</i>
Pastoral Care Team:	<i><u>Betsy Rock</u>, Linda Caines, Alice Craighead, Novie Greene, Wendy Hope, Susanne Okey, Ursula Progl, Mayson Ross, Lois Veronen</i>

Your Vestry

The Very Rev. Dr. Raymond Joe Waldon – Presiding Officer
Fr. Ray's Office Hours: 10-1 Tuesday and Wednesday

2023

Ben Boyles, Senior Warden
Jimmy Fitzpatrick
Karen Hill

2024

Randy Hart
Julia McCallum
Stephen McGill, Junior Warden

2025

Steve Dawson
Christy Dutra, Clerk
Karen Lambruschi
Jim Russell

Parish Annual Meeting
today in the Parish Hall
after the worship service