

Order of Service

The Fourth Sunday After Epiphany "Holding the Light"



"They were astounded at his teachings..." - Mark 1:21

A "covenant" more than just a promise. A Covenant is a sacred commitment to each other that is wrapped in God's Presence, Love and Peace.

The Liturgy of the Word

Musical Prelude - Carol Burckhardt

We Gather

Gathering Prayer: Creator Blessed One, we are Wisdom Keepers sitting in a Circle, awaiting the Dawn. We are greeted by Your new light of this day, and we are amazed by what we see. We are grateful for this gift and we thank you. Help us to seek You in this time. Prepare us to meet you and listen to you in the here and in the there. In expected places and in new places. Open us, we are ready....

Our Indigenous Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge the Chinook Nation and all Indigenous People on whose traditional and ancestral lands we stand. To the Ancestors and Descendants of Indigenous Nations of the Columbia River who are connected to this land, we thank you with deep respect and honor you in a good way.

First Nations Call to Prayer – Morning Call Song of Welcome - "Christ Be Our Light" – Carol Burckhardt

Longing for light, we wait in darkness, longing for truth, we turn to you. Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.

<u>Refrain:</u> Christ be our light, shine in our hearts, shine through the darkness. Christ be our light, shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled, Longing for hope, many despair. Your word alone has power to save us, make us your living voice.

<u>Refrain:</u> Christ be our light, shine in our hearts, shine through the darkness. Christ be our light, shine in your church gathered today.

Celebrant: Blessed be God, Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier.

People: And blessed be God's Kingdom now and forever. Amen.

Celebrant: 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. Amen.

The Traditional Gloria

Carol Burckhardt, Organ

Celebrant: May the Lord be with you.

People: And also, with you.

Celebrant: Let us Pray. Almighty and everlasting God, you love all things both in heaven and on earth. Listen to your people calling, 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 Sacred Stories are Told

Today's Storytellers are Linda Eddy and Candy Weatherby

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."

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 forever.
- 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 forever; * 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 forever.

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.

Gospel Acclamation - Celtic Alleluia

The Gospel -Mark 1:21-28 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.

Celebrant: This is the Holy Gospel, The Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation – Celtic Alleluía (Reprise)

Today's Message - "The Plumber's Helper"

Contemplative Organ Interlude: Divina Mysterium



"Holding the Light"

Our Affirmation of Faith - The Apostle's 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.

Celebrant: Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier, Father, Son and Spirit. We are named in the Waters of Baptism as your Own, all of us related, all of us Your Children. We rejoice in your homecoming and thank you for this Sacred Circle of Life. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Sisters and brothers let us lift our hearts in faith to the one who hears all prayers and holds close all those in need. Help us each to reflect your light to the world, to be your hands and feet and voice in a world that is troubled and in distress. Guide us forward to a new place of peace, health, joy, and contentment. We pray: Hear our prayers.

Our world has been mightily shaken by disease, unrest, disagreement, and distress. We want instead to reach out for the peace, love, and beauty that you created. Guide us to forge a new path in this new year, listening to your powerful voice. We pray: Hear our prayers.

We ask you for comfort and healing for those who are ill or in distress, the hungry, the homeless, the jobless. For Joe, Sherry and Jorge, Elaine, Joe, Lynne and Susan, Grant, Tom, Jasnam... (please add your intersessions here) We pray: Hear our prayers.

For the leaders of our country and the world, impart your wisdom and help them work together for the safety and health of all in the world. We Pray: Hear our prayers.

Show us your will for each of us through th0e teachings of our church leaders, including Bishop Greg, Father Joe, and the postulants who seek to serve, including Sheryl and Donna, and lay leaders and teachers in your church. We pray: Hear our prayers.

God of every land and nation, you have created all people and you dwell among us in Jesus Christ. Listen to the hearts of those who pray to you, and grant that, as we proclaim the greatness of your name, all people will

know the power of love at work in the world. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

We Make Peace and Our Burdens are Lifted

Celebrant: Jesus said, there is joy among the Angels of God over one sinner who repents. Come to me all who are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Our Creator has promised for giveness to all who truly repent; who come in faith, and are themselves, for giving. In this moment we call to mind the burdens of our heart. (Silence)

People: Merciful God, we have sinned. In what we have thought and said; in the wrong we have done and the good we have not done. We have sinned in ignorance; we had sinned in weakness; and we have sinned through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry, and we repent and turn to you. Forgive us for our Savior Jesus' sake and renew our lives to the glory of your name. Amen.

Celebrant: Our burdens are lifted. May almighty God have mercy on you; pardon you and set you free. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. May God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal. Amen.

We Make Peace with Each Other

Celebrant: May the Peace of the Lord be always with you. People: And also with you. La Paz del Senor, y tambien contigo.



The Liturgy of The Table

"The Liturgy of the Table is a ritual opportunity for a Holy Encounter" The Reverend Matthew Cockrum

The Table Song: I want to Walk as a Child of the Light

I want to walk as a child of the light; I want to follow Jesus.

God set the stars to give light to the world; the star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain: In him there is no darkness at all; the night and day are both alike

The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I want to see the brightness of God; I want to look at Jesus.

Clear sun of righteousness shine on my path and show me the way to the Father.

Refrain: In him there is no darkness at all; the night and day are both alike The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

The Holy Communion

Celebrant (The Salutation): The Lord be with you.

People: And also, with you.

Celebrant (The Sursum Corda): Lift 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 our thanks and praise.

Celebrant (The Proper Preface): Blessed One, Creator, Redeemer, Sanctifier, Lover of Creation, we give you thanks and praise for in the ocean of your steadfast love, you bear us up and place the Song of Your Spirit in our hearts. When we turn from Your love and disrespect the earth and one another, You do not abandon us. Your Spirit speaks through Elders, Prophets, Sages, Saints and Wisdom Keepers in every age; to challenge us and to reveal the vision of Your new creation. Joining in the Song of the Universe, we proclaim Your glory singing:

The Sanctus: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant (The Post-Sanctus Prayer): Gracious God, in the fullness of time, you sent Jesus the Christ to share our fragile humanity. Through His life, death and resurrection, you open the path from brokenness to health, from fear to trust, from pride and conceit to reverence for you. Rejected

by a world that could not bear to hear the Good News of Life, Jesus knew death was near, and he gathered together those who loved him.

Celebrant (The Institution Narrative): On that night, He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it and gave it to his friends saying, "Take and eat. This is my body which is given for you. Whenever, you do this...I will be with you." (The Anamnesis).

Celebrant: After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave thanks to you and said, "Drink this all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many. Whenever, you drink it, I will be with you." (The Anamnesis).

Celebrant (The Memorial Acclamation): And now we gather at this table, in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love, and to proclaim our faith.

People: Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant (The Prayer of Consecration – "The Epiclesis" – Calling the Holy Spirit): Breathe Your Holy Spirit, the Wisdom of the Universe, upon these gifts that we bring to You: this bread, this cup, ourselves, our souls and bodies, that we may be signs of Your Love for all the world and ministers of your transforming purpose.

Celebrant (The Minor Elevation): Through Christ, with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, Creator of all, and we bless your holy name forever. Amen.

Celebrant: And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray The Lord's Prayer.

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 forever and ever. Amen.

People: Padre nuestro, que estás en el cielo.

Santificado sea tu Nombre. Venga tu reino.

Hágase tu voluntad en la tierra como en el cielo.

Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.

Perdona nuestras ofensas, como tambien nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden. No nos dejes caer en tentación y libranos del mal. Porque tuyo es reino, tuyo es poder, y tuya is la gloria, ahora y por siempre.

Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant (The Fraction Anthem): Alleluía, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast! Alleluía!

The Elevation and The Words of Invitation- Celebrant: Blessed Ones, these are the Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving. Please remember that all are welcome at the All Saints' Table.

The Words of Administration:

Celebrant: The Body of Christ, The Bread of Heaven The Blood of Christ, the Cup of Salvation

Our Prayer of Thanksgiving

People: Creator, Blessed One, Great Mystery we give you humble thanks for all of your goodness and loving kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation and all the blessings of this life, and for...above all...your immeasurable love and grace. And we pray that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but with our lives, by giving up ourselves to Your service and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all of our days. In Jesus Name we pray. Amen.

Our Epiphany Benediction

The Song of Simeon

Lord, you now have set your servant free to go in peace as you have promised. For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior whom you have prepared all the world to see. A light to enlighten the nations and the glory of your people.

Our Epiphany Blessing — We Embrace Creator's Call "Blessed are you who shine the light. Who testify to its endurance, and who bear witness to its presence. Blessed are you in whom the light lives, in whom the brightness blazes, your heart a beating Circle, where in the deepest night can be seen the fire that shines forth in you, in

unaccountable faith, in stubborn hope and in a love that illuminates every broken thing it finds." Jan Richardson

Song of Celebration "This Little Light of Mine"

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine. let it shine.

Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine. Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine.

Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine. let it shine.

Share my light with others, Yes! I'm gonna let it shine. Share my light with others, Yes! I'm gonna let it shine. Share my light with others, Yes! I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

The Dismissal

Celebrant: In the words of our beloved Deacon Emeritus, the Reverend John Ackermann: "The worship has ended...the service has begun. Let us go forth in joy to love and serve our God. Alleluía, Alleluía!

People: Thanks be to God! Alleluía, Alleluía!

