

The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

January 15, 2023 8:45 AM

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude

Balm in Gilead

Refrain: There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole,
There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.

1. Sometimes I feel discouraged and think my work's in vain,
But then the Holy Spirit Revives my soul again. *Refrain*
2. If you cannot preach like Peter, if you cannot pray like Paul,
You can tell the love of Jesus, and say, "He died for all!" *Refrain*
3. Don't ever feel discouraged, for Jesus is your friend;
And if you lack for knowledge He'll ne'er refuse to lend. *Refrain*

Text: Jeremiah 8:22, African-American spiritual

Opening Hymn

Everlasting God

Verse

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord. We will wait upon the Lord
Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord. We will wait upon the Lord

Pre-Chorus: Our God You reign forever. Our Hope our strong Deliv'rer

Chorus

You are the everlasting God. The everlasting God
You do not faint. You won't grow weary
You're the defender of the weak. You comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings like eagles

Acclamation

pg. 355 in Book of Common Prayer

Collect for Purity

Gloria

Glory be to God the Father. Glory be to God the Son – And to the Spirit, the heavenly Dove, the everlasting Three in One. As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.**

The Lessons

The First Reading: *Isaiah 49:1-7*

¹Listen 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. ²He 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. ³And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." ⁴But 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." ⁵And 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 honored in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength—⁶he 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." ⁷Thus 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 Psalm: *Psalms 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.*

The Epistle: *1 Corinthians 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.

Gospel Acclamation – *The Lord is my light, my light and salvation: in him I trust, in him I trust.*

The Gospel: *John 1:29-42*

²⁹[John] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!³⁰This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’³¹I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.”³²And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him.³³I 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.’³⁴And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”³⁵The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples,³⁶and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!”³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus.³⁸When 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?”³⁹He 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.⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother.⁴¹He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed).⁴²He 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).

Gospel Response – *The Lord is My Light*

The Sermon

Nicene Creed

pg. 358 in Book of Common Prayer

Prayers of the People

Confession of Sin

pg. 360 in BCP

The Peace

HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Music

Let Us Break Bread Together on Our Knees

Hymnal #325

Let us break bread together on our knees;
when I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees;
when I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us praise God together on our knees;
when I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

African-American spiritual

Offertory

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.
People ***And of thine own have we given thee.***

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant 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 him thanks and praise.**
Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing . . .
. . . to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

People **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant We give thanks to you, O God . . .
. . . Therefore, according to his command, O Father,
We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;
And we offer our sacrifice and thanksgiving . . .
. . . By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours,
Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**
Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Music

Behold the Lamb

Those who were in the dark are thankful for the sunlight;
we who live, we who die are grateful for his gift, thankful for his love.

Refrain: Behold, behold the Lamb of God.
All who eat, all who drink will live; and all, all who dwell in God shall come to know his glory.

Peaceful now, those whose hearts are blessed with understanding
of the wheat, of the wine united with his word and the love we share.

Gentle one, Child of God, join with us at this table.
Bless our lives; nourish all who hunger for this feast; shelter them this peace.

Lord of all, give us light. Deliver us from evil. Make us one; be our shield.
Make still the winds that blow; cradle us with love

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.

Blessing

Closing Hymn

Shine Jesus, Shine (verses 1, 2)

Graham Kendrick

Chorus: Shine Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory, Blaze Spirit blaze, set our hearts on fire; flow river flow. Flood the nations with grace and mercy, send forth Your word Lord and let there be light.

Verse 1:

Lord the light of Your love is shining
In the midst of the darkness shining
Jesus Light of the world shine upon us
Set us free by the truth You now bring us
Shine on me shine on me

Verse 2

Lord I come to Your awesome presence
From the shadows into Your radiance
By the blood I may enter Your brightness
Search me try me consume all my darkness
Shine on me shine on me

Dismissal

Postlude

Shine Jesus, Shine

Verse 3

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness So our faces display Your likeness
Ever changing from glory to glory Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story
Shine on me shine on me

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