

St. James's Episcopal Church

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 5, 2012

11:15 a.m.

Holy Eucharist Rite II and Baptism

Prelude

Introit: Surge, illuminare

William Byrd

Surge illuminare Jerusalem	Arise, shine, Jerusalem
Quia venit lumen tuum	for your light has come
et gloria Domini,	and the glory of the Lord,
Super te orta est.	has dawned upon you.
Alleluia.	Alleluia.

Hymn 686: *Nettleton*, "Come, thou fount of every blessing"

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

The Book of Common Prayer, page 299

<i>Celebrant</i>	Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
<i>People</i>	And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.
<i>Celebrant</i>	There is one Body and one Spirit;
<i>People</i>	There is one hope in God's call to us;
<i>Celebrant</i>	One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
<i>People</i>	One God and Father of all.

Collect of the Day

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<i>Celebrant</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us pray.

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.*

Old Testament: 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 147:1-12, 21c *Laudate Dominum*

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Remaining seated, the People read the Psalm by half verse.

- 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!**

Hymn 533: *Lyons*, “How wondrous and great”

Elementary school age children may follow the cross for the Liturgy of the Word.

Gospel: Mark 1:29-39

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
according to Mark.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon: The Reverend Randolph Marshall Hollerith

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

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Celebrant The candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Sponsors I present *N.* to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Celebrant Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Sponsors I will, with God’s help.

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Sponsors I will, with God’s help.

Celebrant Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Sponsors I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Sponsors I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Sponsors I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Sponsors I do.

Celebrant Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Sponsors I do.

Celebrant Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Sponsors I do.

Celebrant Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People We will.

Celebrant Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Baptismal Covenant

The People stand.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People 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.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People 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.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God’s help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God’s help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God’s help.

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.
Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people,
and respect the dignity of every human being?
People I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidates

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Celebrant
Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the Sacrament
of new birth.

The People respond to each petition, saying, "Lord, hear our prayer."

Leader Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
Leader Open their hearts to your grace and truth.
Leader Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
Leader Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
Leader Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.
Leader Send them into the world in witness to your love.
Leader Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

Thanksgiving over the Water

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant
We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit
moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel
out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus
received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the
Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the
bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ
in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the
Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his
fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the
Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that
those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in
the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for
ever. *Amen.*

Baptism

Celebrant *N.*, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*
Celebrant *N.*, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism
and marked as Christ's own for ever. *Amen.*

Following the Baptismal Prayer, the Celebrant continues,
Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People
We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified,
proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Greeting and Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offering of Gifts and Praise

Anthem: Senex puerum portabat

William Byrd

Senex puerum portabat,	The old man carried the child
Puer autem senem regebat:	but the child ruled the old man;
Quem virgo peperit,	him whom the Virgin brought forth,
Et post partum virgo permansit:	afterwhich she remained ever a virgin,
Ipsum quem genuit,	him whom she bore,
Adoravit.	She adored.

Hymn 380 (v. 3): *Old 100th*, "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow"

Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

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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, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. (*The Celebrant continues.*)

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus S129

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

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. (*the Celebrant continues...*)

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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*.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

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.

Breaking of the Bread and S155

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Music at Communion

Anthem: Tebye poyem

Sergei Rachmaninoff

Tebye poyem
Tebye blagoslovim
Tebye blagoblarim
Gospodi, I molim,
Gospodi, I mo limitsya
Bozhe nash.

We praise thee,
We bless thee,
We give thanks to thee,
O Lord, our God.

Chant: Asperges me

You will sprinkle me, Lord, with hyssop, and I will be made clean.
You will wash me, and I will be made whiter than snow.

Psalm 51: Have pity on me, God, according to your great mercy.

Postcommunion Prayer

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Celebrant and People

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

Hymn 690: *Cwm Rhondda*, "Guide me, O thou great Jehovah"

Dismissal

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude