



# THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY: SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 2021 AT 10:30 A.M.

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Prelude: "Breathe on Me Breath of God"

Opening Hymn: #649 (Common Praise) "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"



- 1. Breathe on me, breath of God; fill me with life a new, that I may love what
- 2.Breathe on me, breath of God, un til my heart is pure, un til my will is
- 3.Breathe on me, breath of God, till I am whol-ly thine, un til this earth ly
- 4. Breathe on me, breath of God: so shall I nev-er die, but live with thee the



Text: Edwin Hatch (1835-1889). Music: Robert Jackson (1840-1914).

thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do. one with thine to do and to en - dure. part of me glows with thy fire di - vine. per - fect life of thine e - ter - ni - ty.

# **▼** The Gathering of the Community

The Greeting: Susan Haig

Priest: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

and the love of God,

and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: And also with you.

## The Collect of the Day

Priest: Almighty God,

your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ

is the light of the world.

May your people,

illumined by your word and sacraments,

shine with the radiance of his glory,

that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed

to the ends of the earth;

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

### **▼** The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Andrew Scorer

Reader: A Reading from the First Book of Samuel.

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; like down again." So he went and lay down. The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening." So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

*Reader:* The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Samuel 3.1-10

A moment of silence is observed

Psalm 139.1-5, 12-17 (George Black)

#### Refrain:

All:



God, you have searched me out and known me; you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.
You trace my journeys and my resting-places

and are acquainted with all my ways. Refrain



Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, but you, O God, know it altogether.
You press upon me behind and before and lay your hand upon me.
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain to it. Refrain

For you yourself created my inmost parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

I will thank you because I am marvellously made; your works are wonderful, and I know it well. Refrain

My body was not hidden from you, while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your book; they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them. Refrain

How deep I find your thoughts, O God! how great is the sum of them!

If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours. Refrain

## Second Reading: Carol Scovil

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

"All things are lawful for me," but not all things are beneficial. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food," and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with

her? For it is said, "The two shall be one flesh." But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

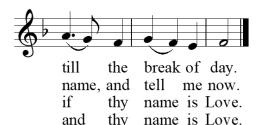
1 Corinthians 6.12-20

A moment of silence is observed

All: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn: #539 (Common Praise) "Come, O Thou Traveller Unknown" un-known, whom still 1.Come. O Trav - el - ler I hold, but thou can-not 2.1 tell thee who mis - er - y need not I am: my and sin deam weak, con - fi - dent in 3 Yield to now, for I but self-deme Love! Thou diedst for hear thy whis-per 4.'Tis Love! 'Tis me, I in com - pa - ny see! Mv be fore is gone, and am left Thy - self called name; look on thy hands and clare. hast me bv mv spair! Speak to bless-ing speak; be con-quered by heart, in my heart. The morn - ing breaks, the shad-ows flee, pure, un - i - ver - sal lone with thee. With thee all night I stay and wres-tle mean to But who, I ask thee. thou? Tell me thy read it there. who art in - stant prayer. Speak, or thou hence shalt move, and tell me nev - er

all, thy



art.

To me, to

Love thou

Text: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: Henry Carey (1687?-1743), alt.

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The Gospel: Steven Mackison

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

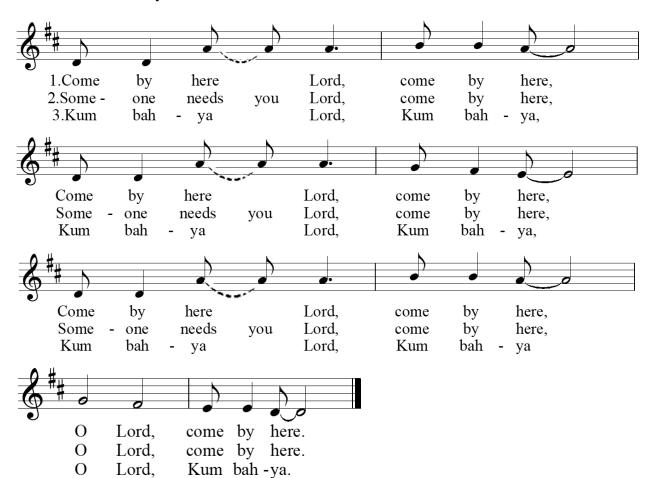
John 1.43-51

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily: Steven Mackison

We pause for music and meditation.

Meditation: Come By Here - Traditional



#### **Statement of Faith**

Priest: We believe

All: in the God of Abraham and Isaac and Jacob,

who journeys with us through life, and leads us to new beginnings.

Priest: We believe

All: in the God of Moses,

who frees us from oppression and guides us through desert, wilderness, and sin

to the Promised Land.

Priest: We believe

All: in the God of the prophets,

who asks for justice in our land,

and cares for the poor.

Priest: We believe

All: in Jesus Christ,

who brought the Gospel to us,

who celebrated God's unconditional love for everyone.

Priest: We believe

Free

to

us

All: in the Holy Spirit,

who forms and molds us into God's image, who sends us out to serve God and people, who leads us to everlasting life. Amen.

Hymn: #10 (More Voices) "Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom"



ly friends of God

and earth.

be-come your peo-ple, ho -

# The Prayers of the People: Christopher Cantlon

Leader: Let us pray to God,

who knows us better than we know ourselves, and understands our world.

Lord, we know we are called to be the Body of Christ;

make us worthy of that calling, fervent in all our prayer and worship,

loving, faithful and honest in our lives,

so that the whole Church may show all people what God is like.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box.

Leader: Draw us closer, Lord:

All: Closer to the heart of God.

Leader: We pray for the grace and wisdom

to care for this world we have been given as our home;

for discernment in facing difficult decisions,

and for commitment in the struggle for justice and peace.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box.

Leader: Draw us closer, Lord:

All: Closer to the heart of God.

Leader: We pray for the homes in this parish,

whose hopes and struggles, sorrows and fears

are already known to you.

May each household be blessed as we pray,

and may your love fill each life.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box.

Leader: Draw us closer, Lord:

All: Closer to the heart of God.

Leader: We pray for those in need, the afflicted and those who suffer.

May your presence be felt by all who do not yet know you,

and all whose hearts are poisoned with hate or weighed down with despair.

Let your light scatter their darkness

and bring them hope and healing.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box.

Leader: Draw us closer, Lord:

All: Closer to the heart of God.

Leader: We pray for those who have died to this life

and are born into your heaven.

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

And let light perpetual shine upon them.

Comfort those who long for their presence,

and bring us all to share in the fullness of life everlasting.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box.

Leader: Draw us closer, Lord:

All: Closer to the heart of God.

Leader: We give you thanks

for all that points us towards the beauty of your love,

and draws us closer to you.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or or add them over in the chat box.

Leader: Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer: Susan Haig

Priest: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray.

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,

now and for ever. Amen.

The Doxology: Susan Haig

Priest: Glory to God,

All: whose power working in us

can do infinitely more

than we can ask or imagine.

Glory to God from generation to generation,

in the Church and in Christ Jesus

for ever and ever. Amen.

Concluding Song: "Put a Little Love in your Heart" - Jackie DeShannon

Ministry Updates: Susan Haig

The Dismissal: Steven Mackison

Priest: Go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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# **Ministry Updates**

# **Lententide Reading Group**

Learning@Redeemer invites all to look forward throughout the season of Lent to the events of Holy Week with the Lententide Reading Group. We'll focus on Jesus' final days by reading the book *The Last Week* by Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crossan.

More details are <u>online</u> and <u>registration</u> is open now.

# **Next Staying Connected Meeting**

The next Staying Connected parish meeting with our Incumbent, The Rev'd Canon Steven Mackison, is at 12 PM on **Sunday**, **January 31**.

There will be updates from staff members, stewardship and finance committees and about plans to celebrate the parish's sesquicentennial.

The Zoom link will be included in the Friday, January 29 eNews.

#### **Creation Matters**

Creation Matters, Redeemer's ecospirituality group, gathers each month for prayer, discussion and support. Our next meeting is **Wednesday**, **January 20**, from 2 to 4 PM, via Zoom. If you would like to join us, please contact Grant Jahnke.

# Compline at 8 PM

Compline is a Christian tradition of bedtime prayers. These traditional prayers unveil God's grace in all of our endings - the day's end, the week's end, and our last nightfall.

Join in through Zoom at 8 PM each Sunday night for about 20 minutes. The link can be found in each Friday's eNews.

#### **Intercessions**

In the prayers of the people each Sunday, space is left for members of the community to add a name or concern in chat. If you have people or situations that you would like included in the service but are not comfortable giving voice to them, there is a prayer request form on the website. These will be added to the intercessions in the appropriate petition. You can find the form here.

# **Daily Prayer**

An order of service for daily prayer is added to the parish website early each Wednesday morning as an invitation to take time in the middle of the week to pause and pray. Everything you need is provided including a reflection. The link to the order of service to be posted this Wednesday is <a href="here">here</a>.

# **Parish Cycle of Prayer**

Each month a cycle of prayer is available <u>online</u>. This resource provides the names of ministries from the Anglican Communion, the Indigenous cycle of prayer, the diocese and our community to hold in our prayers each day. In peace we pray. Lord, Hear our prayer.