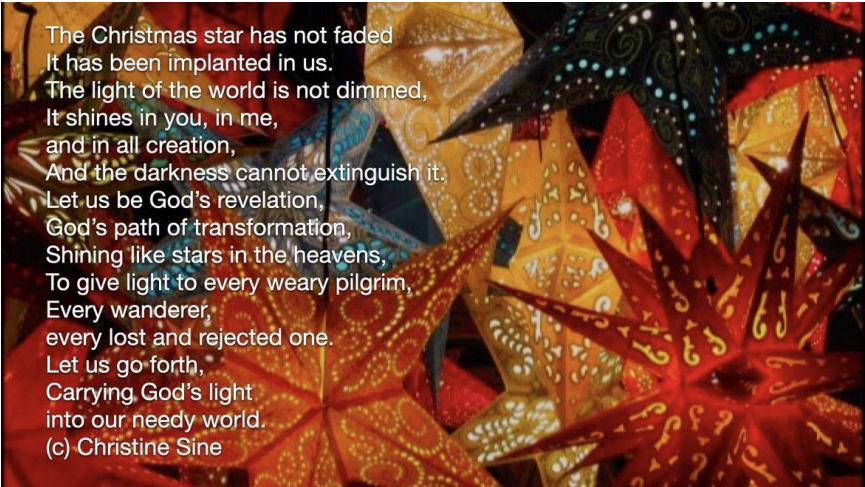


3rd Sunday after Epiphany



The Christmas star has not faded
It has been implanted in us.
The light of the world is not dimmed,
It shines in you, in me,
and in all creation,
And the darkness cannot extinguish it.
Let us be God's revelation,
God's path of transformation,
Shining like stars in the heavens,
To give light to every weary pilgrim,
Every wanderer,
every lost and rejected one.
Let us go forth,
Carrying God's light
into our needy world.
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January 22, 2023 – 10 a.m. Rite II

St. Martin's Episcopal Church
Des Plaines, Illinois

Welcome to St. Martin's!

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**Welcome to all who worship with us today.
We are blessed by your presence.**

In the interest of creating a peaceful and prayerful space for worship, please refrain from conversation within the sanctuary 10 minutes before and after the service.

Please silence your cell phone during the service as a sign of respect for God and the rest of our worshipping community.

Following the service, we invite you to join us downstairs in Strauss-Betker Parish Hall for refreshment and fellowship.

10:00 AM EUCHARIST WITH MUSIC: RITE II

PRELUDE Dona Nobis Pacem Francois Couperin

PROCESSIONAL HYMN Thy strong word did cleave the darkness (381) - vss 1,2,4

Thy strong word did cleave the darkness;
at thy speaking it was done;
for created light we thank thee,
while thine ordered seasons run:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise to thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia without end!

Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness,
dark as night and deep as death,
broke the light of thy salvation,
breathed thine own life-giving breath:
Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise to thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia without end!

God the Father, Light-Creator,
to thee laud and honor be;
to thee, Light of Light begotten,
praise be sung eternally;
Holy Spirit, Light-Revealer,
glory, glory be to thee;
mortals, angels, now and ever
praise the Holy Trinity.

Martin H. Franzmann (1907-1976)

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy and living God
People: **Glory to God for ever and ever.
Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

***ALL:* 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.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good

News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE LESSONS (*All sit*)

The First Reading Isaiah 9:1-4

¹There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

²The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness —
on them light has shined.

³You have multiplied the nation,
you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.

⁴For the yoke of their burden,
and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

The reading concludes

Lay Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm: Psalm 27:1, 5-13

¹The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom then shall I fear? *

the LORD is the strength of my life;
of whom then shall I be afraid?

⁵One thing have I asked of the LORD;

one thing I seek; *
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my
life;

⁶To behold the fair beauty of the LORD *
and to seek him in his temple.

⁷For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; *
he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling
and set me high upon a rock.

⁸Even now he lifts up my head *
above my enemies round about me.

⁹Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation
with sounds of great gladness; *

I will sing and make music to the LORD.

¹⁰Hearken to my voice, O LORD, when I call; *
have mercy on me and answer me.

¹¹You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." *
Your face, LORD, will I seek.

¹²Hide not your face from me, *
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.

¹³You have been my helper;
cast me not away; *

do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

The Second Reading 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

¹⁰Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. ¹¹For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. ¹²What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." ¹³Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the

cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

¹⁸For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

The reading concludes

Lay Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
 according to Matthew.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Matthew 4:12-23

¹²Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

¹⁵“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the
Gentiles —

¹⁶the people who sat in darkness
have seen a great light,
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death
light has dawned.”

¹⁷From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

¹⁸As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea — for they were fishermen. ¹⁹And he said to them,

“Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” ²⁰Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. ²²Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

²³Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

After the Gospel, the Celebrant says

Celebrant: **The Gospel of the Lord.**

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED *(Please stand as able.)*

**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 (*stand or kneel*)
The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God... For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

In the Anglican cycle of prayer...

In the Diocesan cycle of prayer...

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

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

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Paula, our Bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers

For all who serve God in the Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation...

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life... We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom... Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

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

THE CONFESSION

**ALL: 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 Celebrant continues

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 as able)*

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

People: **And also with you.**

Peace Prayer Chain ~ Epiphany Prayer

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God's path of transformation,
Shining like stars in the heavens,
To give light to every weary pilgrim,
Every wanderer,
every lost and rejected one.
Let us go forth,
carrying God's light
into our needy world.
All: AMEN.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS / OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY HYMN I come with joy to meet my Lord
(304) – All

I come with joy to meet my Lord,
forgiven, loved, and free,
in awe and wonder to recall
his life laid down for me.

I come with Christians far and near
to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love
in Christ's communion bread.

As Christ breaks bread and bids us share,
each proud division ends.
That love that made us makes us one,
and strangers now are friends.

And thus with joy we meet our Lord.
His presence, always near,
is in such friendship better known:
we see, and praise him here.

Together met, together bound,
we'll go our different ways,
and as his people in the world,
we'll live and speak his praise.

Brian A. Wren (b. 1936), alt.

SANCTUS

Celebrant and People

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for...

...Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People:

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise 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.

People: **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Celebrant and 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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread and the Communion of the Faithful

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

FRACTION ANTHEM

Celebrant and People

This setting is not used in Lent.

Antiphon: Cantor; then All



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia,



is the com - mun - ion of the bo - dy of Christ. [Ant.]



2. One bo - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia,



for though man - y we share one bread. [Ant.]

INVITATION

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

DISTRIBUTION

Instructions for distribution will be given at the announcements; please follow the Usher's prompts. Please hold your hands out to receive the bread. If you would prefer a blessing, indicate that by crossing your arms over your chest.

All are welcome!

COMMUNION HYMN Where charity and love prevail

(581) - vss 1,2,5,6

Where charity and love prevail

there God is ever found;

brought here together by Christ's love

by love are we thus bound.

With grateful joy and holy fear
his charity we learn;
let us with heart and mind and strength
now love him in return.

Let us recall that in our midst
dwells God's begotten Son;
as members of his Body joined
we are in him made one.

Love can exclude no race or creed
if honored be God's Name;
our common life embraces all
whose Father is the same.

Latin; tr. J. Clifford Evers (b. 1916)

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us pray.

People: **God of abundance,
you have fed us
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us
with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth
in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love
to the world
and continue for ever in the risen life
of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

The Birthday/Anniversary Prayer

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant *N.* as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

Celebrant ...this day and always.

People **Amen.**

FINAL HYMN Jesus calls us o'er the tumult (550) - vss 1-3-

Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult
of our life's wild, restless sea,
day by day his clear voice soundeth,
saying, 'Christian, follow me;'

as, of old, Saint Andrew heard it
by the Galilean lake,
turned from home and toil and kindred,
leaving all for his dear sake.

Jesus calls us from the worship
of the vain world's golden store;
from each idol that would keep us,
saying, 'Christian, love me more.'

Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895), alt.
These words are in the public domain.

DISMISSAL

Celebrant ...Alleluia. Alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia**

POSTLUDE Fuga in Re Maggiore

Georg Philipp Telemann

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for the following:

Amanda Vandervort, Ann Davis, Charles Sterner, Connie Proctor, Bob & Diane Rogalcheck, Gay Miezin, Greg Rasmussen, Heidi Partain, Irene Stone, Jane Goerss & family, Ken Fringer, Laura Wolff, Marlon Brooks, Mark Savage, Debbie, Sarah, Nancy Modrow, Nancy Schaper, Robin Alley, Tom Beechey, Carol Doss, Gail Janczak, and Leslie Meyer, Lee Myers Hickey, Kenneth Fornoff,

For the members of the Des Plaines Chronic Pain Group.

For all who are suffering because of recent natural disasters, as well as human tragedies, for refugees, all who are affected by gun violence, systemic racism, and everyone impacted by the COVID-19 virus.

For all Veterans.

For those currently serving in the military, especially: Oriana & Richardson Naki, William Revell, Mike Bozza, Ben Suecheck, Ryan Staats, Alex Smolik, and all who serve in any military, those wounded in action, and all in harm's way.

For those who grieve the recent death of loved ones.

For those who have died.

Robert Setmeyer



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All are welcome
and fed with the love of God
pets too!

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