

Sunday 14th January, 2024 11.00 am

The Second Sunday after Epiphany

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Welcome & Intimations

Introit

Call to Worship

Hymn 582 O Day of joy and wonder!

O Day of joy and wonder!
Christ's promise now fulfilled!
The coming of his Spirit
the Father's love has willed;
our Lord in human body
to mortal eye is lost,
yet he returns for ever
at blessed Pentecost!

The world, in sheer amazement,
the truth must now declare:
that men, who once were cowards,
are brave beyond compare;
and tongues, which could not utter
their faith in Jesus' name,
defy all persecution
his glory to proclaim!

We too may know your power,
your courage makes us strong,
your love, your joy, your patience
can all to us belong .
Come now and dwell within us,
O comforter divine,
come to our hearts, and keep them;
there let your brightness shine.

Violet Nita Buchanan (1891–1975)

Call to Prayer

Prayer of Approach and Confession

Children's Address

Hymn 251 I, the Lord of sea and sky,

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in deepest sin
My hand will save.

I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am Lord. Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them,
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am Lord. Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.

I will set a feast for them.

My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give my life to them.

Whom shall I send?

Here I am Lord. Is it I Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go Lord, if you lead me.

I will hold your people in my heart.

Daniel L. Schutte(b.1947)

1 Samuel 3:1-10

Hymn 97 O God, you search me and you know me. (Psalm 139)

O God, you search me, and you know me
All my thoughts lie open to your gaze
When I walk or lie down, you are before me
'Ever the maker and keeper of my days

You know my resting and my rising
You discern my purpose from afar
And with love everlasting, you besiege me
In every moment of life or death, you are

Before a word is on my tongue, Lord
You have known its meaning through and through
You are with me beyond my understanding
God of my present, my past and future, too

Although your Spirit is upon me
Still I search for shelter from your light
There is nowhere on Earth I can escape you
Even the darkness is radiant in your sight

For you created me and shaped me
Gave me life within my mother's womb
For the wonder of who I am, I praise you
Safe in your hands, all creation is made new.

From Psalm 139 Bernadette Farrell(b.1957)

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

St. John 1:43-51

Anthem

Sermon

The Offering (& Sung Doxology: Hymn 807)
Prayer of Intercession & The Lord's Prayer

Our Father which art in heaven,

Hallowed be thy Name.

Thy Kingdom come.

Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

**For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for
ever. Amen.**

Hymn 512 To God be the glory, great things he has done!

1 To God be the glory, great things he has done!

So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,

Who yielded his life in atonement for sin,

Who opened the life-gate that all may go in:

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son;

And give him the glory-great things he has done!

2 O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
To every believer the promise of God!
For every offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives:

Chorus

3 Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher, and greater will be
Our joy and our wonder, when Jesus we see:

Chorus

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Benediction

Choral Amen (3-fold)