

# The Third Sunday after the Epiphany



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Holy Eucharist: 10:00 am

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**The Word of God**

**Opening Acclamation**

*The Book of Common Prayer, page 355*

**The Collect for the Day**

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** *The people sit.*

**The First Lesson**

**Isaiah 9:1-4**

There 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. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness--on them light has shined. You 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. For 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.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 27:1, 5-13**

- 1 The 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?  
5 One 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;  
6 To behold the fair beauty of the Lord \*  
and to seek him in his temple.  
7 For 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.  
8 Even now he lifts up my head \*  
above my enemies round about me.

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- 9 Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; \*  
I will sing and make music to the Lord.
- 10 Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call; \*  
have mercy on me and answer me.
- 11 You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." \*  
Your face, Lord, will I seek.
- 12 Hide not your face from me, \*  
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.
- 13 You have been my helper; cast me not away; \*  
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

The Epistle

**1 Corinthians 1:10-18**

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. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What 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." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For 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. For 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.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

**The Holy Gospel**

**Matthew 4:12-23**

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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

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of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles-- the 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." From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." As 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. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As 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. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. Jesus 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.

*Gospeller*  
*People*

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

**Sermon**

**The Reverend Ann Perrott**

**Nicene Creed**

**The Book of Common Prayer, *page 358***

**Prayers of the People: Form III**

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**The Blessing**

**Dismissal**

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*The flowers at the altar are given to the Glory of God  
in loving memory of Jon D. Papps  
by his wife, Deborah*

### **Worship Leaders**

The Reverend Ann Perrott	<i>Presider and Preacher</i>
Joanne Moar	<i>Verger</i>
Gavin Watson-Bertrand	<i>Acolyte</i>
Jane Thompson	<i>Lector</i>
Peggy Carter, Tom Gaither	<i>Ushers</i>

### **Our Prayers are offered for**

Jeremy Parker, Cindy Rhodes, Ron, James Phillips, David Stonehouse, Linda Layne, Daniel Brundige, Whitney Goodhue, Evan Wagner, Garrett Graves, Gerald Tucker, Allison Mascolo, Melissa Glassman, The Bishop-Tanquay Family, Max Joyce, Inga and Todd and Family, Mel, Melissa Glassman, Corey MacNeil, Helen Phillips, Zan Duffy, Dianne, Sarah Colvin Duffy, Michael Towey, Jenny, Loretta and Kris, Deb Papps, Derek Fuller and Family, the people of Palestine, Afghanistan, and Ukraine; the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Salem, the Salem Public Schools and for an end to racism, war, anti-Semitism, gun violence and oppression. If you have prayer requests, please email [regathering@gracechurchsalem.org](mailto:regathering@gracechurchsalem.org) by Tuesday at noon for publication in that week's e-news. If you would like to add someone to our prayer list, please email [gcs1@verizon.net](mailto:gcs1@verizon.net).

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## Upcoming Events

Debbie will be away from January 19 - 26. During this time, you may contact our Senior Warden, Ryan Patten at 419-217-0163 for any issues that might arise.

Each Tuesday evening, anyone interested in joining others in knitting are invited to come to Grace Church from 7:00—8:30pm. Our first project is knitting more hats for the youth of Salem. We will continue to consider ways we can meet the needs of our neighbors with our knitting needles!

On Friday, January 27th, beginning at 6:00 pm, we will have a “Craft Night” for anyone interested. Bring an appetizer to share if you like, and come learn how to make a variety of winter crafts from master craftsperson Kourtni Patten. This fellowship event may be just the break you need to deal with cabin fever!

On Sunday, January 29th, The Reverend Cliff Cutler will be our guest preacher while Debbie celebrates.

### **Candlemas Celebration February 5th:**

On February 2, exactly 40 days after Christmas, we commemorate Mary’s adherence to the Mosaic law as she entered the Temple for the ritual purification, as explained in Leviticus 12:2-8. Also, forty days was the time when a firstborn was brought to the Temple to be dedicated to the Lord (Exodus 13:2-12). The Gospel reading for The Feast of the Presentation describes the scene: “And when the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord.” The story continues as Simeon holds the baby in his arms and says that Jesus will be a light for the Gentiles (Luke 2:22-32).

Some call the day Candlemas (Candle Mass), which comes from the activities associated with the feast. Often local churches hand out candles to be blessed. After an antiphon, during which the candles held by the people are lighted, there is a procession into the church. During the procession to the church, the Nunc Dimittis is sung, replicating the words that Simeon proclaimed.

We will also bless candles on this day for your use during the upcoming year and repeat the words of Simeon. Following the service, the family of the child being baptized invites us to a reception in Abbot Hall.



## **HATS O.F.F. To Warm Heads!**

### **O**utreach.

A program meant to provide handmade knitted/crocheted hats to Salem students.

### **F**ellowship.

Beginning January 17, 2023, parishioners and interested others will gather on Tuesday evenings from 7-8:30 PM at Grace Church to teach, learn how to make hats, and knit/crochet together. This time slot may be adjusted depending upon group preferences and, of course, you can also knit or crochet at home.

### **F**undraising.

Lastly, folks will be sought to sponsor hats (\$10/hat) that will go out to kids in Salem. Donations will support Grace Church and its missions.

If you are interested in knitting/crocheting or sponsoring or have any other questions, email [fundraising@gracechurchsalem.org](mailto:fundraising@gracechurchsalem.org) or contact fundraising committee members Melissa Barnes, Joanne Moar or Peggy Carter directly. Some supplies/patterns will be available but please bring your own supplies if you can. Extra are needed.

Information about sponsoring hats will follow at a later date.

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