

Service of the Word (Podcast & Zoom) 25 October - Epiphany

Welcome

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen

Gathering

We are gathered together as the family of God

to offer praise and thanksgiving

to ask forgiveness of our sins

to hear and receive God's holy Word

to pray for the needs of the world

and to seek God's grace

that through Jesus Christ our Lord

and in the power of the Holy Spirit

we may give ourselves to God's service.

Penitence

O Lord God of Hosts, restore us.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Show us the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

Christ have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

O Lord, show us your mercy; and grant us your salvation.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Most merciful God,

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

we confess that we have sinned

in thought, word and deed.

We have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

In your mercy

forgive what we have been,

help us to amend what we are,

and direct what we shall be;

that we may do justly,
love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

God, who is both power and love, forgive us and free us from our sins, heal and strengthen us by the Holy Spirit, and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Te Deum

We praise you, O God; we acclaim you as Lord.

**All creation worships you,
the Father everlasting.**

To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,
the cherubim and seraphim, sing in endless praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might: heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

The glorious company of apostles praise you,
the noble fellowship of prophets praise you.

The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.

Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you:

**Father, of majesty unbounded;
your true and only Son, worthy of all praise:
and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.**

You, Christ, are the king of glory,
the eternal Son of the Father.

**When you took our flesh to set us free
you humbly chose the Virgin's womb.**

You overcame the sting of death
and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

You are seated at God's right hand in glory.

We believe that you will come to be our judge.

**Come then Lord and help your people,
bought with the price of your own blood,
And bring us with your saints to glory everlasting. Amen**

Collect

Readings from Holy Scripture

Sermon/Reflection

Affirmation of Faith *from Philipians 2*

Let this mind be in you which was in Christ Jesus:*

the divine nature was his from the first:

Yet he did not grasp at equality with God;*

he emptied himself and became like a slave.

Taking the nature of man

he was revealed in human form;*

he humbled himself and became obedient

even to death, death on a cross.

Therefore God has raised him on high,*

and has given him a name above every other name;

So that in the name of Jesus every knee shall bow,*

in heaven, on earth, and in the depths;

And every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord;*

to the glory of God the Father. Amen

Intercessions

Lord's Prayer

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,

the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Peace ? [omit from podcast]

We meet in Christ's name.

Let us share his peace.

Responsory

My soul waits for the Lord; * **in his word is my hope.**
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O Israel, wait for the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy.
In his word is my hope.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
My soul waits for the Lord; * **in his word is my hope.**

Almighty God,
we thank you for the gift of your holy word:
**may it be a lantern to our feet,
a light upon our paths,
and a strength to our lives.**
Take us and use us to love and serve all people
in the power of the Holy Spirit
**and in the name of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Blessing

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be with you and all those for whom you have a care, this day and every more. **Amen**

Sharer of our humanity, Victor over death,
Judge of all.
Amen. Come Lord Jesus!

We go forth in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.