

# ST. MARY OF THE HILLS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

BLOWING ROCK, NORTH CAROLINA



THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY  
JANUARY 16, 2022

# MORNING PRAYER

## RITE II

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*A prayerful silence precedes the service.*

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE OPENING SENTENCES

Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, and bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling.

*Psalm 43:3*

### THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

BCP 79

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

**Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*The Celebrant pronounces the absolution and the people respond, **Amen.***

*Officiant* Lord, open our lips.  
*People* **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

*Officiant and People*

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**  
**Alleluia.**

*All say the Antiphon:*

The earth is the Lord's for he made it: **Come let us adore him.**

## THE JUBILATE

BCP 81

*Psalm 100*

**Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; \*  
serve the Lord with gladness  
and come before his presence with a song.**  
**Know this: The Lord himself is God; \*  
he himself has made us, and we are his;  
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**  
**Enter his gates with thanksgiving;  
go into his courts with praise; \*  
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.**  
**For the Lord is good;  
his mercy is everlasting; \*  
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

*All repeat the Antiphon:*

The earth is the Lord's for he made it: **Come let us adore him.**

*The Psalm is said in unison, with a brief pause at the asterisks.*

- 5 **Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens, \***  
**and your faithfulness to the clouds.**
- 6 **Your righteousness is like the strong mountains,**  
**your justice like the great deep; \***  
**you save both man and beast, O LORD.**
- 7 **How priceless is your love, O God! \***  
**your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.**
- 8 **They feast upon the abundance of your house; \***  
**you give them drink from the river of your delights.**
- 9 **For with you is the well of life, \***  
**and in your light we see light.**
- 10 **Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you, \***  
**and your favor to those who are true of heart.**

*At the end of the Psalm is said,*

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:**  
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

## THE LESSON

John 2: 1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

*Lector*           The Word of the Lord.  
*People*           **Thanks be to God.**

*Luke 1: 68-79*

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; \*  
he has come to his people and set them free.  
He has raised up for us a mighty savior, \*  
born of the house of his servant David.  
Through his holy prophets he promised of old,  
that he would save us from our enemies, \*  
from the hands of all who hate us.  
He promised to show mercy to our fathers \*  
and to remember his holy covenant.  
This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, \*  
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,  
Free to worship him without fear, \*  
holy and righteous in his sight  
all the days of our life.  
You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, \*  
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,  
To give his people knowledge of salvation \*  
by the forgiveness of their sins.  
In the tender compassion of our God \*  
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,  
To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the  
shadow of death, \*  
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

THE HOMILY

The Reverend Andrew J. Hege

*A few moments of silence for reflection follow the homily.*

*Officiant and People together, all standing*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
 creator of heaven and earth;  
 I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
 He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
 and born of the Virgin Mary.  
 He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
 was crucified, died, and was buried.  
 He descended to the dead.  
 On the third day he rose again.  
 He ascended into heaven,  
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
 He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
 I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
 the holy catholic Church,  
 the communion of saints,  
 the forgiveness of sins  
 the resurrection of the body,  
 and the life everlasting. Amen.

## THE PRAYERS

*Officiant*     The Lord be with you.  
*People*        **And also with you.**  
*Officiant*     Let us pray.

**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 forever. Amen.**

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
 R. **And grant us your salvation.**  
 V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
 R. **Let your people sing with joy.**  
 V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
 R. **For only in you can we live in safety.**  
 V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
 R. **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**  
 V. Let your way be known upon earth;  
 R. **Your saving health among all nations.**  
 V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
 R. **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**  
 V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
 R. **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

*Free intercessions may be offered. The people add their own petitions and thanksgivings.  
 These may be shared with one another in the comment box on Zoom or YouTube.*

*The Officiant concludes the prayers with this collect,*

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

*Officiant*      Let us bless the Lord.  
*People*          **Thanks be to God.**

THE GRACE

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

*2 Corinthians 13:14*

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