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## THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

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Christ's blessings to all! **To our visitors**, we rejoice to have you gathered together with us in our Lord's House this day & look forward to having you with us again. If you are searching for a Church home, **please introduce yourself to Pastor** or indicate such **with your contact information** in the red 'Fellowship Booklets' in each pew.

### THE ORDER OF MATINS

#### Prelude

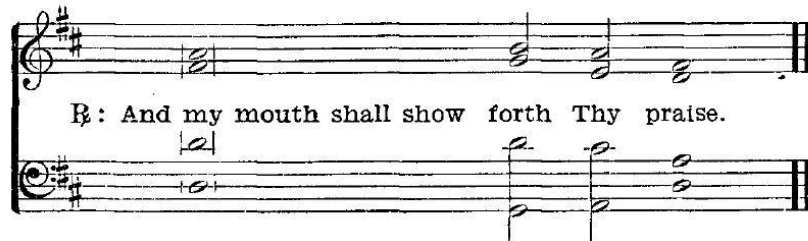
#### Hymn of Invocation #132

"O God of God, O Light of Light"

Stand

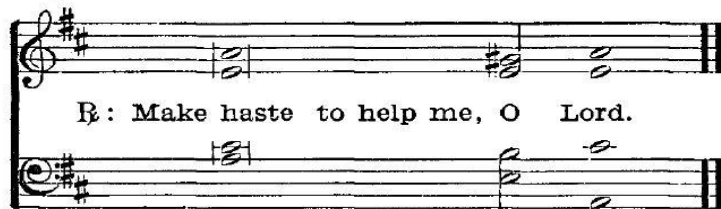
#### Versicles & Responses

Y: O Lord, open Thou my lips.

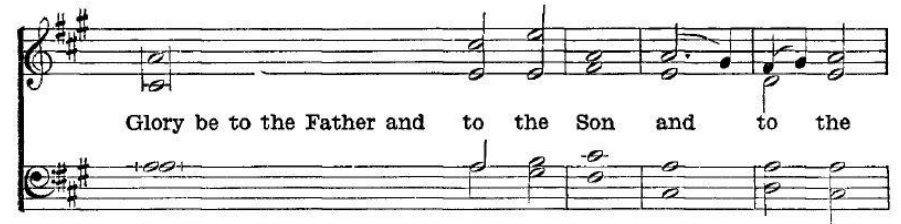


R: And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

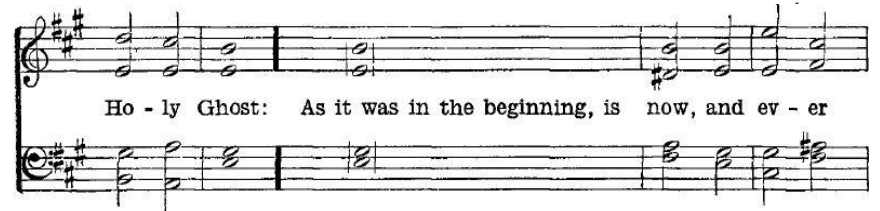
Y: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.



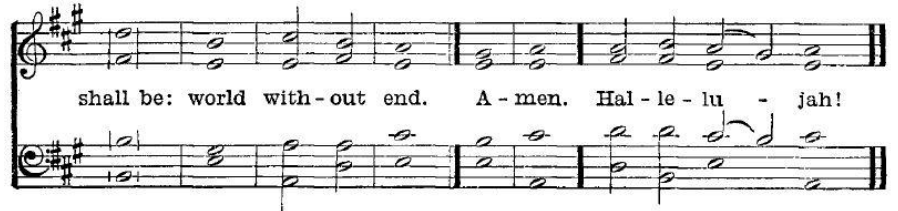
R: Make haste to help me, O Lord.



Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the



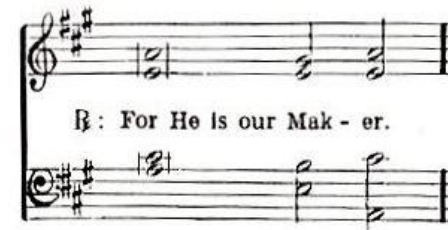
Ho - ly Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ev - er



shall be: world with - out end. A - men. Hal - le - lu - jah!

#### The Invitatory

Y: Oh, come, let us worship the Lord:



R: For He is our Mak - er.

The Venite

Psalm 95:1-7



1 O come, let us sing - - - - - unto the Lord:  
 3 For the LORD is a - - - - - great God:  
 5 The sea is His, and He - - - - - made it:  
 Glory be to the Father and - - - - - to the Son:



1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal- va- tion.  
 3 and a great - - - - - King a- bove all gods.  
 5 and His hands - - - - - form-ed the dry land.  
 and - - - - - to the Ho-ly Ghost:



2 Let us come before His presence with thanks- giv- ing:  
 4 In His hand are the deep places - - - of the earth:  
 6 O come, let us worship and - - - bow down:  
 7 For He - - - - - is our God:  
 As it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be,



2 and make a joyful - - - - - noise unto Him with psalms.  
 4 the strength of the hills is - - - His al- so.  
 6 let us kneel before the - - - Lord our Mak- er.  
 7 and we are people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.  
 world - - - - - with-out end. A- men.

**Psalmody:** Ps. 19:7-14

<sup>7</sup>The law of the LORD is perfect,  
 reviving the soul;  
 the testimony of the LORD is sure,  
 making wise the simple;  
<sup>8</sup>the precepts of the LORD are right,  
 rejoicing the heart;

the commandment of the LORD is pure,  
 enlightening the eyes;  
<sup>9</sup>the fear of the LORD is clean,  
 enduring forever;  
 the just decrees of the LORD are true,  
 and righteous altogether.  
<sup>10</sup>More to be desired are they than gold,  
 even much fine gold;  
 sweeter also than honey  
 and drippings of the honeycomb.  
<sup>11</sup>Moreover, by them is your servant warned;  
 in keeping them there is great reward.  
<sup>12</sup>Who can discern his errors?  
 Declare me innocent from hidden faults.  
<sup>13</sup>Keep back your servant also from presumptuous sins;  
 let them not have dominion over me!  
 Then I shall be blameless,  
 and innocent of great transgression.  
<sup>14</sup>Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart  
 be acceptable in your sight,  
 O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

**The Gloria Patri** (see top of page 2)

Sit

**The Catechism Review – The Ten Commandments**

*What is The Fifth Commandment?*

**You shall not murder.**

*What does this mean?*

**We should fear and love God so that we do not hurt or harm our neighbor in his body, but help and support him in every physical need.**

*What is The Sixth Commandment?*

**You shall not commit adultery.**

*What does this mean?*

**We should fear and love God so that we lead a sexually pure and decent life in what we say and do, and husband and wife love and honor each other.**

**The Lection**

**The Old Testament Reading: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10**

<sup>1</sup>All the people gathered as one man into the square before the Water Gate. And they told Ezra the scribe to bring the Book of the Law of Moses that the LORD had commanded Israel. <sup>2</sup>So Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could understand

what they heard, on the first day of the seventh month. <sup>3</sup>And he read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand. And the ears of all the people were attentive to the Book of the Law. . . <sup>5</sup>And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was above all the people, and as he opened it all the people stood. <sup>6</sup>And Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, “Amen, Amen,” lifting up their hands. And they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground. . . <sup>8</sup>They read from the book, from the Law of God, clearly, and they gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

<sup>9</sup>And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, “This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep.” For all the people wept as they heard the words of the Law. <sup>10</sup>Then he said to them, “Go your way. Eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions to anyone who has nothing ready, for this day is holy to our Lord. And do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength.”

### **The Epistle: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a**

<sup>12</sup>For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. <sup>13</sup>For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit.

<sup>14</sup>For the body does not consist of one member but of many. <sup>15</sup>If the foot should say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. <sup>16</sup>And if the ear should say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. <sup>17</sup>If the whole body were an eye, where would be the sense of hearing? If the whole body were an ear, where would be the sense of smell? <sup>18</sup>But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. <sup>19</sup>If all were a single member, where would the body be? <sup>20</sup>As it is, there are many parts, yet one body.

<sup>21</sup>The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” <sup>22</sup>On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, <sup>23</sup>and on those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our unpresentable parts are treated with greater modesty, <sup>24</sup>which our more presentable parts do not require. But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, <sup>25</sup>that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. <sup>26</sup>If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together.

<sup>27</sup>Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. <sup>28</sup>And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, administrating, and various kinds of tongues. <sup>29</sup>Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? <sup>30</sup>Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? <sup>31</sup>But earnestly desire the higher gifts.

*Stand*

### **The Holy Gospel: Luke 4:16-30**

<sup>16</sup>[Jesus] came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. <sup>17</sup>And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written,

<sup>18</sup>“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
because he has anointed me  
to proclaim good news to the poor.  
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives  
and recovering of sight to the blind,  
to set at liberty those who are oppressed,  
<sup>19</sup>to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

<sup>20</sup>And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. <sup>21</sup>And he began to say to them, “Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” <sup>22</sup>And all spoke well of him and marveled at the gracious words that were coming from his mouth. And they said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?” <sup>23</sup>And he said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, ‘Physician, heal yourself.’ What we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here in your hometown as well.” <sup>24</sup>And he said, “Truly, I say to you, no prophet is acceptable in his hometown. <sup>25</sup>But in truth, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heavens were shut up three years and six months, and a great famine came over all the land, <sup>26</sup>and Elijah was sent to none of them but only to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. <sup>27</sup>And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian.” <sup>28</sup>When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath. <sup>29</sup>And they rose up and drove him out of the town and brought him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they could throw him down the cliff. <sup>30</sup>But passing through their midst, he went away.



♩: But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.



Sit

Sermon Hymn #360

“Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

Sermon: “Our Patient and Helpful Jesus”

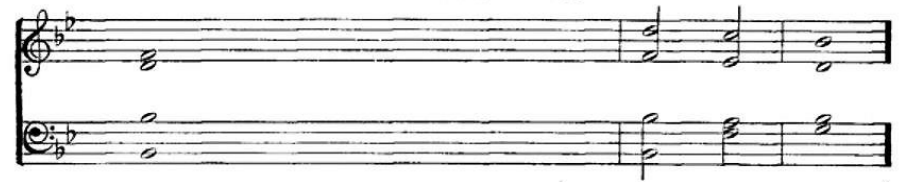
Luke 4:24-27

- I. Jesus’ rejection at Nazareth provides an admonition for us all.
- II. In spite of being rejected, Jesus remains patient and helpful.

The Offerings

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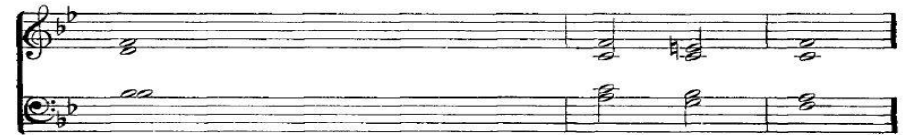
THE TE DEUM LAUDAMUS



1 We praise Thee, O God; we acknowledge Thee to -	be the	Lord.
3 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of - - - - -	Sab-a-	oth;
5 The noble army of martyrs - - - - -	praise	Thee.



1 All the earth doth worship Thee, the Father	ever-	last-	ing.
3 heaven and earth are full of the majesty	of Thy	glo-	ry.
5 The holy Church throughout all the world	doth ac-	knowl-edge	Thee:



2 To Thee all angels cry aloud, the heavens and		powers there-	in;
all the - - - - -		praise	Thee.
4 The glorious company of the Apostles - -		on-ly	Son;
6 The Father of an infinite majesty; Thine ador-		O	Christ.
able true and - - - - -			
7 Thou art the King of Glory, - - - - -			



2 To Thee cherubim and seraphim con-	tin-ual-	ly do	cry:
4 The goodly fellowship of the - -	prophets	praise	Thee.
6 also the Holy - - - - -	Ghost, the	Com-fort-	er.
7 Thou art the everlasting Son - -	of the	Fa-	ther.

8 When Thou tookest upon Thee to de- - - liv-er man,  
 10 Thou sittest at the right - - - hand of God  
 12 We therefore pray Thee, help Thy - - - ser- vants,

8 Thou didst humble Thyself to be born - of a vir- gin.  
 10 in the glory - - - of the Fa- ther.  
 12 whom Thou hast redeem-ed - - with Thy pre-cious blood.

9 When Thou hadst overcome the - - - sharp-ness of death,  
 11 We believe that - - - Thou shalt come  
 13 Make them to be number-ed - - - with Thy saints

9 Thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all be- liev- ers.  
 11 to - - - be our Judge.  
 13 in glory - - - ever- last- ing.

14 O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine - her-i- tage.  
 16 Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day with- out sin.

14 Govern them and lift them - - - up for- ev- er.  
 16 O Lord, have mercy upon us, have - - mercy up- on us.

15 Day by day we - - - magni-fy Thee.  
 17 O Lord, let Thy mercy be upon us, as our trust - is in Thee.

15 And we worship Thy name ever, - - world with- out end.  
 17 O Lord, in Thee have I trusted; let me never be con- found- ed.

### The Prayers

#### The Kyrie

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.



**The 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 and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

**The Salutation**

☩: The Lord be with you.



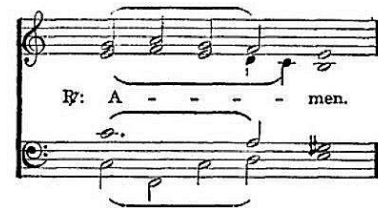
**Special Petitions**

**Collect Of The Day**

Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

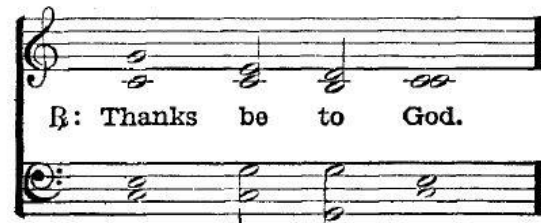
**Collect for Grace**

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day, defend us in the same with Thy mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doing, being ordered by Thy governance, may be righteous in Thy sight; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.



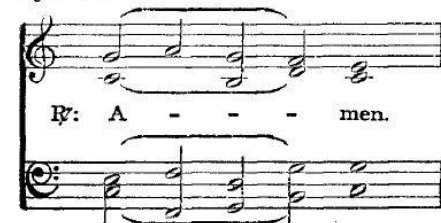
**The Benedicamus**

☩: Bless we the Lord.



**The Benediction**

☩: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Ghost be with you all.



*Sit*

**Hymn #508**

“Thou Whose Almighty Word”

**Silent Prayer & Postlude**

**DAILY READINGS:** January 26: Zech. 2:1–3:10; Rom. 15:1–13; 27: Zech. 4:1–5:11; Rom. 15:14–33; 28: Zech. 6:1–7:14; Rom. 16:17–27; 29: Zech. 8:1–23; 2 Tim. 1:1–18; 30: Zech. 9:1–17; 2 Tim. 2:1–26; 31: Zech. 10:1–11:3; 2 Tim. 3:1–17; February 1: Zech. 11:4–17; 2 Tim. 4:1–18

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