

**4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**

29 January 2023 – 8AM & 10:15AM



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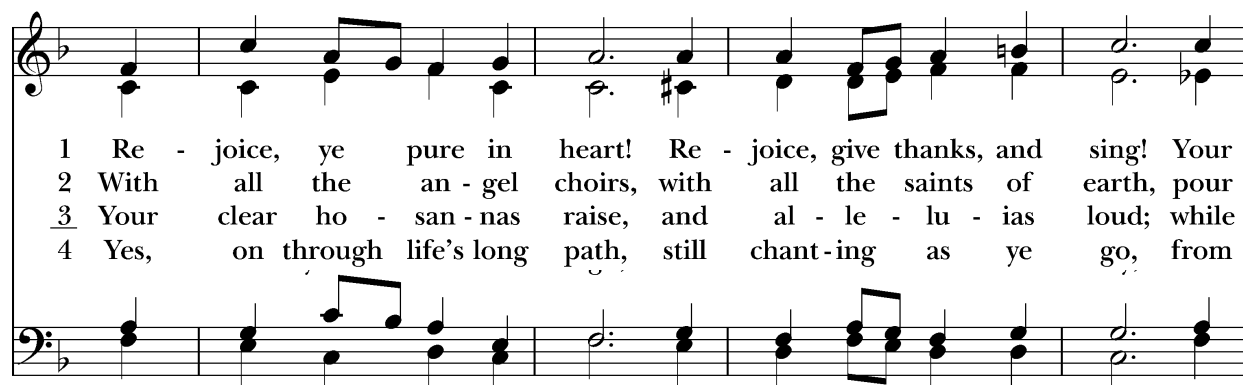
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## THE WORD OF GOD

### OPENING HYMN: *REJOICE, YE PURE IN HEART* • HYMN 556



1 Re - joice, ye pure in heart! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing! Your  
2 With all the an - gel choirs, with all the saints of earth, pour  
3 Your clear ho - san - nas raise, and al - le - lu - ias loud; while  
4 Yes, on through life's long path, still chant - ing as ye go, from



1 glo - rious ban - ner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.  
2 out the strains of joy and bliss, true rap - ture, no - blest mirth.  
3 an - swering ech - oes up - ward float, like wreaths of in - cense cloud.  
4 youth to age, by night and day, in glad - ness and in woe.

*Refrain*



Re - joice, re - joice, re - joice, give thanks, and sing.  
re - joice, re - joice,

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit  
*People* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

## **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.

*People*          And also with you.

*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## **THE LESSONS**

### **FIRST READING**

### **MICAH 6:1-8**

<sup>1</sup>Hear what the Lord says:

“Rise, plead your case before the mountains,  
and let the hills hear your voice.

<sup>2</sup>Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord,  
and you enduring foundations of the earth;  
for the Lord has a controversy with his people,  
and he will contend with Israel.”

<sup>3</sup>“O my people, what have I done to you?  
In what have I wearied you? Answer me!

<sup>4</sup>For I brought you up from the land of Egypt,  
and redeemed you from the house of slavery;  
and I sent before you Moses,  
Aaron, and Miriam.

<sup>5</sup>O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised,  
what Balaam son of Beor answered him,  
and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal,  
that you may know the saving acts of the Lord.”

<sup>6</sup>“With what shall I come before the Lord,  
and bow myself before God on high?  
Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,  
with calves a year old?

<sup>7</sup>Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,  
with ten thousands of rivers of oil?  
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,  
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”

<sup>8</sup>He has told you, O mortal, what is good;  
and what does the Lord require of you  
but to do justice, and to love kindness,  
and to walk humbly with your God?

*Reader*          The Word of the Lord.

*People*          Thanks be to God.

## PSALM 15

<sup>1</sup>Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? \*  
who may abide upon your holy hill?

<sup>2</sup>Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, \*  
who speaks the truth from his heart.

<sup>3</sup>There is no guile upon his tongue;  
he does no evil to his friend; \*  
he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.

<sup>4</sup>In his sight the wicked is rejected, \*  
but he honors those who fear the Lord.

<sup>5</sup>He has sworn to do no wrong \*  
and does not take back his word.

<sup>6</sup>He does not give his money in hope of gain, \*  
nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.

<sup>7</sup>Whoever does these things \*  
shall never be overthrown.

## SECOND READING

## 1 CORINTHIANS 1:18-31

<sup>18</sup>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. <sup>19</sup>For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,  
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

<sup>20</sup>Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? <sup>21</sup>For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup>For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, <sup>23</sup>but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup>but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup>For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength.

<sup>26</sup>Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. <sup>27</sup>But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; <sup>28</sup>God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing

things that are, <sup>29</sup>so that no one might boast in the presence of God. <sup>30</sup>He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, <sup>31</sup>in order that, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        Thanks be to God.

## **GOSPEL READING**

## **MATTHEW 5:1-12**

*Reader*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People*        Glory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>1</sup>When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup>Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

<sup>3</sup>“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup>“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

<sup>5</sup>“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup>“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

<sup>7</sup>“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

<sup>8</sup>“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

<sup>9</sup>“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

<sup>10</sup>“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup>“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

*Reader*        The Gospel of the Lord

*People*        Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## **SERMON**

## **REV'D STEPHANIE JENKINS**

## **THE NICENE CREED**

*All stand.*

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

*For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.*

For this community, the nation, and the world;

*For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.*

For the just and proper use of your creation;

*For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.*

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

*For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.*

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

*For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.*

For Michael Curry, our Presiding Bishop, and Poulson Reed, our Bishop;  
and all bishops and other ministers;

*For all who serve God in his Church.*

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation:

For those suffering from grief or trouble, especially Al, Anyah, Bill, Bob, Bobby, Candy, Caroline, Chuck, Dave, David, David G., Don, Evelyn, Helen, Jane, James, Jason, Jean, Jean R., Jeannie, Joe, June, Katherine, LaVerne, Leo, Lucille, Luke, Paisley H., Pat, Pat W., Rose, Roy, Russ, Ryan Family, Sherry, Vaughn Family, and Wayne;

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

Hear us, Lord;

*For your mercy is great.*

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, especially birthdays for Kimi Loera and Sherry Ziska; and thanksgiving for Tom Love's successful knee surgery;

*Silence*

*The People may add their own thanksgivings*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

*And praise your Name for ever and ever.*

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, especially Edward Prince, Athena Brownfield, and Kathy Rogers;

*Silence*

*The people may add their own petitions*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

*Who put their trust in you.*

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Leader and People*

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;

in your compassion forgive us our sins,

known and unknown,

things done and left undone;

and so uphold us by your Spirit

that we may live and serve you in newness of life,

to the honor and glory of your Name;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **THE PEACE**

*All stand.*

*Celebrant*            The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*                And also with you.

## **OFFERTORY**

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

## **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

*Celebrant*            The Lord be with you.

*People*                And also with you.

*Celebrant*            Lift up your hearts.

*People*                We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant*            Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*                It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.



*Celebrant continues with proper Preface*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## **SANCTUS**



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. \* Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

*The Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *Amen.*

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*People and Celebrant*

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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

#### **FRACTION ANTHEM**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

#### **DISTRIBUTION**

## COMMUNION HYMN: *SEEK YE FIRST* • HYMN 711

1

Seek ye first the kingdom of God  
Ask, and it shall be given unto you,

and its right-eous - ness, and all these things shall be  
seek, and ye shall find, knock, and the door shall be

add - ed un - to you; Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!  
o - pened un - to you; Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

*Refrain*

2

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

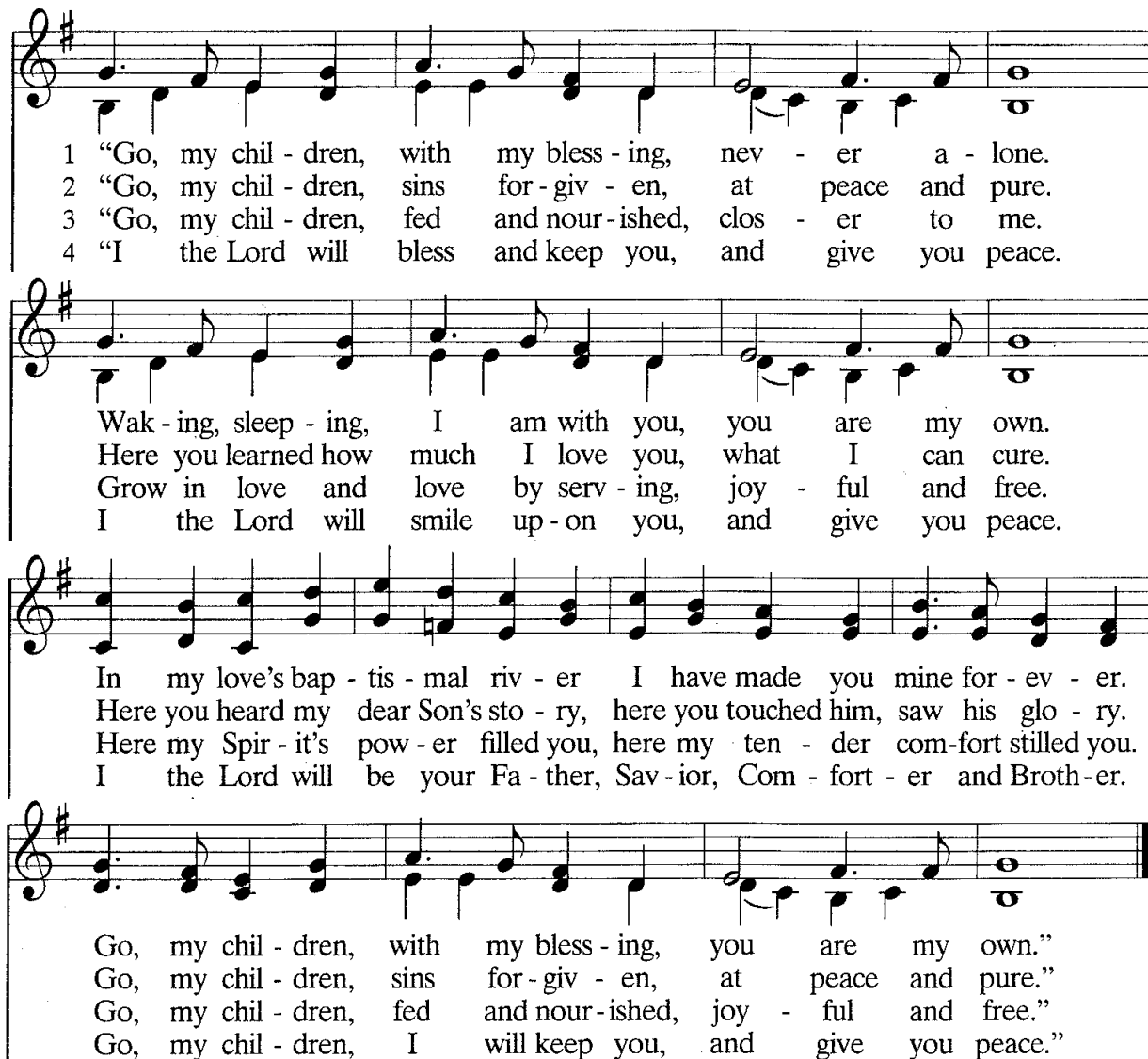
Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## BLESSING

## CLOSING HYMN: GO MY CHILDREN



1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.  
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.  
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.  
4 "I the Lord will bless and keep you, and give you peace.

Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.  
I the Lord will smile up - on you, and give you peace.

In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.  
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.  
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.  
I the Lord will be your Fa - ther, Sav - ior, Com - fort - er and Broth - er.

Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."  
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Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."  
Go, my chil - dren, I will keep you, and give you peace."

## DISMISSAL

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.  
*People* Thanks be to God.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

With intention, these  
(and much more)  
can be "prayer" too!



Prayer rocks, doodling  
listening to & making music,  
knitting, etc. can be "prayer."  
Bring your own "prayer" ideas  
and join us!

## Prayer as Contemplation

Focusing our mind and heart

Action in Contemplation:  
Part III of III Part Interactive,  
Inner-generational formation series

All ages.

**Sunday Feb 5**  
**9-10** in the Parish Hall.

Fresh coffee and donuts!

## Save the Date!

### Annual Parish Meeting

February 12th after  
10:15 worship

A look at the year ahead with Rev'd  
Stephanie, a shared meal, conversation,  
election of 2026 Vestry Members, approval of  
2023 operating budget



## CHURCH STAFF & LEADERSHIP

### THE BISHOP OF OKLAHOMA

The Rt. Rev. Poulson Reed

### SENIOR WARDEN

### RECTOR

Reverend Stephanie Jenkins

### JUNIOR WARDEN

Nan Mazza

### PARISH TREASURER

Jimmy Lee

### PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

Alli Somerlott

### VESTRY MEMBERS

John Carter

Bill Cunningham

Blake Dutcher

Tom Love

Larry Neal

### NURSERY ATTENDANTS

Maddie Flores

Krystle Stone

## PEOPLE SERVING TODAY

### THE SERVICE LEADER

Rev'd Stephanie Jenkins

### MUSICIAN

David Gabriele – Pianist

### LECTORS

8:00 – Nan Mazza

10:15 Lessons – Blake Dutcher

10:15 Psalm & Prayers – Linda Neal

### ALTAR GUILD

Nan Mazza

Ruth Dutcher

### USHERS

Carl Ryker

### CRUCIFER

Benjamin Fabrega

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Blake Dutcher

### ACOLYTES

Charlotte James

Cora Jenkins

### COUNTERS

Blake Dutcher

John Carter

### TECHNOLOGY

Richard Ward

## STEWARDSHIP CORNER

### PLEDGE PAYMENTS & CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED

Between January 16<sup>th</sup> and January 22<sup>nd</sup> – \$8,180.80

### OFFICE HOURS

12 PM TO 5 PM

12 PM TO 4 PM

TUESDAY - THURSDAY

FRIDAY

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