

ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL MEMORIAL CHURCH

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by Alekz Thoms

OUR DIVINE PURPOSE STATEMENT

WE BELIEVE that through Jesus Christ we are meant to faithfully and joyfully serve God and our neighbors.

WE WORSHIP as a community of believers who make people feel welcome from every walk of life. We value and welcome the diversity of all people.

WE SERVE seekers inside and outside the church to live in accordance with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Office Hours: Please Call

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FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Morning Prayer, RITE II

February 5, 2023

Prelude	Organ
Hymn #381 Thy Strong Word did Cleave the Darkness	<i>Ton-y-Botel</i>
Opening Sentences	BCP, 76
Confession of Sin	BCP, 79
The Invitatory and Psalter	BCP, 90
Venite will be sung - Hymnal pg. S-35	
The Psalm	Insert
1 st Reading	Insert
The Third Song of Isaiah	BCP, 87
2 nd Reading	Insert
You are God	BCP, 95
The Third Reading	Insert
Sermon (Read by Jannelle Combs)	
The Apostles' Creed	BCP, 96
Peace & Announcements	
Offertory	Guest Pianist
Doxology Hymn #380, V3	<i>Old Hundredth</i>
The Prayers	BCP, 97
Suffrages A	
The Collect of the Day	Insert
A Collect for Sundays	
A Collect for Grace	BCP, 100
Prayer for Mission	BCP, 101
Hymn #694 God be in my Head	<i>Lytlington</i>
<i>The General Thanksgiving</i>	BCP, 101
<i>A Prayer of St. Chrysostom</i>	BCP, 102
Closing Hymn #542 "Christ is the World's True Light"	<i>St Joan</i>
Postlude	

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The Collect:

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

1st Reading Isaiah 58:1-9a, (9b-12)

¹Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. ²Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God.

³“Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. ⁴Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. ⁵Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord? ⁶Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? ⁷Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

⁸Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. ⁹Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

[If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, ¹⁰if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. ¹¹The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. ¹²Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.]

Psalm: Psalm 112:1-9, (10)

¹ Hallelujah!

Happy are they who fear the Lord *
and have great delight in his commandments!

² Their descendants will be mighty in the land; *
the generation of the upright will be blessed.

³ Wealth and riches will be in their house, *
and their righteousness will last for ever.

⁴ Light shines in the darkness for the upright; *
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.

⁵ It is good for them to be generous in lending *
and to manage their affairs with justice.

⁶ For they will never be shaken; *
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.

⁷ They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; *
their heart is right;
they put their trust in the Lord.

⁸ Their heart is established and will not shrink, *
until they see their desire upon their enemies.

⁹ They have given freely to the poor, *
and their righteousness stands fast for ever;
they will hold up their head with honor.

[¹⁰ The wicked will see it and be angry;
they will gnash their teeth and pine away; *
the desires of the wicked will perish.]

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-12, (13-16)

¹When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. ²For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. ³And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. ⁴My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

⁶Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. ⁷But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. ⁸None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him"— ¹⁰these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. ¹²Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. [¹³And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual. ¹⁴Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. ¹⁵Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny. ¹⁶"For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?" But we have the mind of Christ.]

Gospel: Matthew 5:13-20

¹³"You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. ¹⁴"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

¹⁷"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

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ANGLICAN & DIOCESIAN PRAYER CYCLES The Anglican Church of Melanesia; St. John's, Dickinson: Doni, Mary Massad, Amy Oksa, Fern Pokorny, & Leslie Ross, congregation leadership; and for the Eucharistic Ministers and Eucharistic Visitors of the Diocese

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS None this week

CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES None this week

PRAYER REQUESTED: Dolly, Nancy E., Marlys, Ron & Carol, Mike B., Lorraine

PRAYER FOR UKRAINE AND PEACE We pray for peace, but maybe we don't have the words. We pray for a just peace, but maybe we don't have the words. We pray that the lives of innocents and the lives of any human child of God will be spared. We pray that our leaders will find a diplomatic way, a nonviolent way of solution. But we don't know how to pray as we are. So, the Spirit must intercede for us at this time.- The Most Rev. Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church

FLOWER DEDICATIONS: If you would like to dedicate flowers in memory or honor of a loved one, contact either Sherrie Hopkins (ratherbesewing@hotmail.com) or Krista Reynolds (haykrew@bis.midco.net). Sundays available: March 1st, 2nd & 3rd, April 5th, May 2nd & 4th, July 1st, 3rd & 5th, August 4th, October 2nd & 5th & December 2nd & 3rd.

CALENDER:

February 12th 10 am Holy Eucharist , Rev. Toby Rowe, Fargo, ND

February 17th Vestry Retreat

February 19th 10 am Morning Prayer Service, Jane White Lay Leader

February 21st 10 am Holy Eucharist Tuesday: Touchmark Rev Steve Godfrey

February 22nd 5:30pm Ash Wednesday Service, Rev. Steve Godfrey

February 26th 10 am Morning Prayer Service, Jannelle Combs Lay Leader

Wednesday evenings: 5:30 PM Evening Prayer, Potluck at 6 PM. Leader, Deacon Beth

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT- Our diocese includes traditional homelands of Dakota, Lakota, Nakota, Turtle Mountain Chippewa, Mandan, Hidatsa, & Arikara tribes. We acknowledge & understand this land was stewarded by people who lived here for thousands of years before the arrival of Europeans & express our appreciation for their continued faithful stewardship of this land.

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