



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

Welcome to Holy Eucharist in the Celtic tradition. At this service, we offer music and liturgy based on principles of Celtic worship. Our services follow themes which change with the liturgical season. During the season of Epiphany the theme of light represents the enlightenment of the world with the spreading of the Gospel.



The Second Sunday after the Epiphany
Celtic Holy Eucharist
January 19, 2020 • 5 pm

PRELUDE

ST. CLEMENT
SLOW SCOTTISH WALTZ

C. SCHOLEFIELD
J. PATERSON

THE COLLECT

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.**

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 49:1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The Lord called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the Lord, and my reward with my God." And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength—he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

THE RESPONSE

Psalms 40:1-12

- 1 I waited patiently upon the Lord; *
he stooped to me and heard my cry.
- 2 He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay; *
he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure.

- 3 He put a new song in my mouth,
a song of praise to our God; *
many shall see, and stand in awe,
and put their trust in the Lord.
- 4 Happy are they who trust in the Lord! *
they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.
- 5 Great things are they that you have done, O Lord my God!
how great your wonders and your plans for us! *
there is none who can be compared with you.
- 6 Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! *
but they are more than I can count.
- 7 In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure *
(you have given me ears to hear you);
- 8 Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required, *
and so I said, "Behold, I come.
- 9 In the roll of the book it is written concerning me: *
'I love to do your will, O my God;
your law is deep in my heart.'"
- 10 I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; *
behold, I did not restrain my lips;
and that, O Lord, you know.
- 11 Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance; *
I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great congregation.
- 12 You are the Lord;
do not withhold your compassion from me; *
let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever.

THE SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

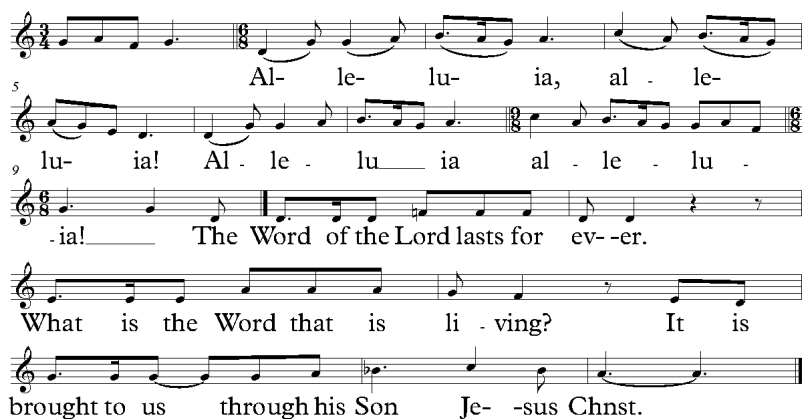
Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,
To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be
saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both
their Lord and ours:

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

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in
Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every

kind- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

GOSPEL SONG



Al- le- lu- ia, al - le-
lu- ia! Al - le - lu ia al - le - lu -
- ia! The Word of the Lord lasts for ev- -er.
What is the Word that is li - ving? It is
brought to us through his Son Je- -sus Chnst.

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THE GOSPEL

John 1:29-42

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they re-


mained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

OFFERTORY

BLIND MARY

T. O'CAROLAN

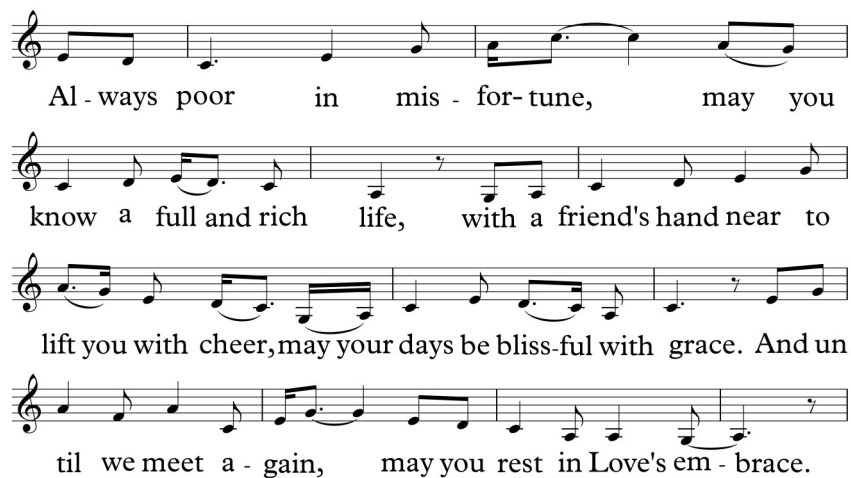
THE SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. God of power and
might, heav'n and earth are filled with your glo-ry, Ho-
san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is the One who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the
high - est, ho-san - na in the high - est.

Music: Land of Rest-traditional folk melody; reprinted under onelicense.net A709573

BLESSING SONG



Al - ways poor in mis - for - tune, may you
know a full and rich life, with a friend's hand near to
lift you with cheer, may your days be bliss - ful with grace. And un
til we meet a - gain, may you rest in Love's em - brace.

Text from traditional Irish Blessing; music by John Grover

CLOSING HYMN

O LIGHT WHOSE SPLENDOR



1. O Light ___ whose splen - dor thrills ___ and glad - dens with
2. As twi - light hov - ers near ___ at sun - set, and
3. In all ___ life's bril - liant, time - less mo - ments, let



ra - diance bright - er than the sun, pure gleam ___ of God's ___ un -
lamps are lit ___ and child - ren nod, in eve - ing hymns ___ we
faith - ful voic - es sing your praise, O Son ___ of God, ___ our



- end - ing glo - ry, O Je - sus blest ___ a - noint - ed One:
lift ___ our voi - ces to Fa - ther, Spi - rit, Son, ___ one God.
life ___ be - stow - er, whose glo - ry light - ens end - less days.

Music: Clement C. Schoenfield, 1839. Lyrics: Carl P. Daw, Jr. © 1989.

RECEIVING COMMUNION

The Church believes that in Holy Communion, the Body and Blood of Christ is given to God's people and received by faith. All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome here and invited either to participate in Communion or to receive a blessing. To receive the bread, please hold your hands out in front of you. To receive the wine, help guide the chalice to your lips. If you prefer, you may dip the bread in the wine and then place it in your mouth. If you do not wish to receive the bread and the wine, you are invited to come forward, cross your hands across your chest, and receive a blessing. **Gluten-free communion wafers are available upon request.**

COMMISSIONING OF LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITOR

Celebrant In the name of God and on behalf of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

Please use this poetry for your own contemplation during the service or to take with you for your own prayer life.

POETRY

The New Moon

O moon of the seasons, shining and bright,
New moon of the months and the tides so white,
In the name of the Holy Spirit of grace
In the Father's name of the City of peace
In Jesus' name who did death displace
in the name of the Three our shield without cease
If well thou hast found us to be tonight
O seven times better when waned thy light
Safe leave us unharmed, season-moon so bright
O moon of the seasons, shining and white.

-Carmen Gaedelica

From the Darkness

O gentle Christ, ever thanks to thee,
That thou from the dark hast raised me free
And from the coldness of last night's space
To the gentle light of this day's grace.

O God of all creatures, praise to thee,
As to each life thou hast poured on me,
My wish, my word, my sense, my praise,
My thought, my deed, my fame, and my ways.

-Carmen Gaedelica

New Moon

May thy light be fair to me,
May thy course be smooth to me!
If good to me is thy beginning,
Seven times better thine end,
Thou fair moon of the seasons,
Thou great lamp of grace.

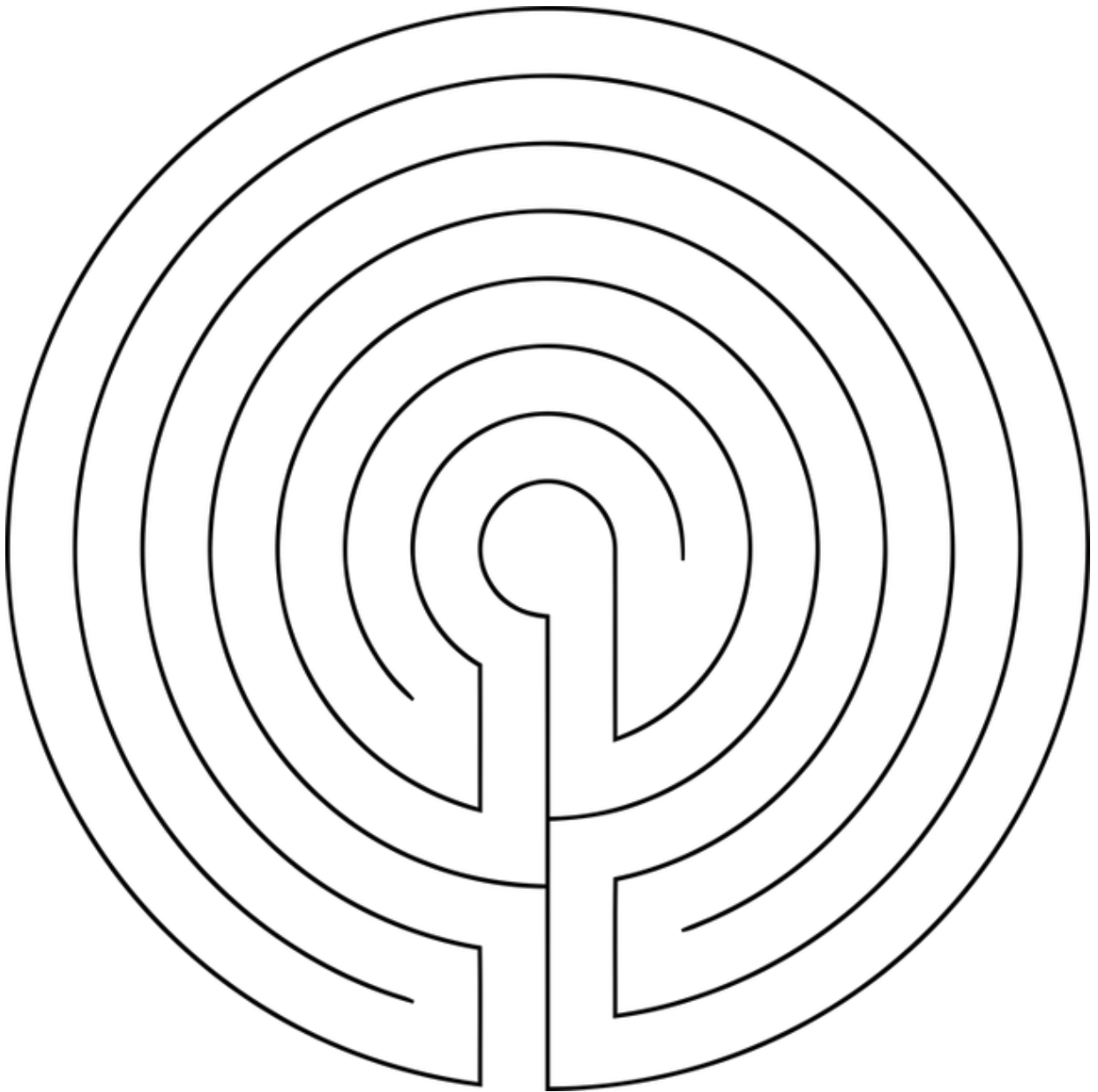
He who created thee
Created me likewise;
He who gave thee weight and light
Gave to me life and death.
And the joy of the seven satisfactions,
Thou great lamp of grace,
Thou fair moon of the seasons.

-Anonymous

This Candle Flame

In this candle flame I see
The heart of God watching me
The love of God bringing peace to me
The compassion of God encircling me
The humility of God sensing me
The strength of God bringing hope to me
In this candle flame I see
God's fire that burns in the heart of me.

-Anonymous



During periods of silence throughout this service, or in your personal times of prayers and reflection outside of worship, this labyrinth is a gift of peace to all who seek deeper relationship with God in their life's journey.

Using your finger, journey on this labyrinth toward inner-contentedness with the Divine, spend some time with God there, in the center, and then re-trace your journey outward with the knowledge that God is ever with you.

A Labyrinth is not a maze; as a maze has dead ends that are used to confuse and trick the mind. A labyrinth is a spiral course having a single, winding unobstructed path from the outside to the center.

IN THANKSGIVING & MEMORY

WE GIVE THANKS FOR THOSE CELEBRATING:

Birthdays in the next week: Lizzie Boyle, Doris Crouch, Nancy Hodges, Richard Massey, Jerusha Riess-Smith, Stephanie Hughes, Karen Schlantz, Bill Flynn, Sue Wilkening, Pat Knoll, Paul Francis, Stewart Lewis.

The **FLOWERS** that beautify our worship spaces are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Joy Cavaliere by Chet Cavaliere and of Susan Schmidt by Gale Schmidt.

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

Celebrant

The Rev. Philip DeVaul

Preacher

The Rt. Rev. Martin G. Townsend

Lector

Sarah Sanderson

Lay Reader

Tom Hill

Intercessor

Pam Popp

Bread Guild

Paul Callard, Hollis Bass, Emily von Allmen

Flower Guild

Blake Gustafson, Christine Bennett, Zule Montgomery, Marcia Shortt,

Courtney Vice

Altar Guild

Kelli Wisecup, Adrea Beatty, Julia Joyce, Sheila Maxwell, Rachel Votaw

Celtic Guild

Bonnie Dowers, Philip Dowers

