

Order of Service: January 13, 2021
First Week after the Epiphany:
Hilary, Bishop of Poitiers, 367
All Saints' Episcopal Church

This service is livestreamed on social media and recorded.

Prelude

Invocation - Noel DaCosta

The Opening Acclamation

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Song Of Simeon *Nunc dimittis* *Said in unison*

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, *

according to thy word;

For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, *

which thou hast prepared before the face of all people,

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, *

and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

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 Collect Of The Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O Lord our God, you raised up your servant Hilary to be a champion of the catholic faith: Keep us steadfast in that true faith which we professed at our baptism, that we may rejoice in having you for our Father, and may abide in your Son, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit; who live and reign for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Reading

1 John 2:18–25

Children, it is the last hour! As you have heard that antichrist is coming, so now many antichrists have come. From this we know that it is the last hour. They went out from us, but they did not belong to us; for if they had belonged to us, they would have remained with us. But by going out they made it plain that none of them belongs to us. But you have been anointed by the Holy One, and all of you have knowledge. I write to you, not because you do not know the truth, but because you know it, and you know that no lie comes from the truth. Who is the liar but the one who denies that Jesus is the Christ? This is the antichrist, the one who denies the Father and the Son. No one who denies the Son has the Father; everyone who confesses the Son has the Father also. Let what you heard from the beginning abide in you. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, then you will abide in the Son and in the Father. And this is what he has promised us, eternal life.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 37:3-6, 32-33

- 3 Put your trust in the Lord and do good; *
dwell in the land and feed on its riches.
- 4 Take delight in the Lord, *
and he shall give you your heart's desire.
- 5 Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in him, *
and he will bring it to pass.
- 6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the light *
and your just dealing as the noonday.

- 32 The mouth of the righteous utters wisdom, *
and their tongue speaks what is right.
- 33 The law of their God is in their heart, *
and their footsteps shall not falter.

Music Before the Gospel

Song Without Words - Michael Calabris

The Gospel

Luke 12:8–12

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

“And I tell you, everyone who acknowledges me before others, the Son of Man also will acknowledge before the angels of God; but whoever denies me before others will be denied before the angels of God. And everyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven. When they bring you before the synagogues, the rulers, and the authorities, do not worry about how you are to defend yourselves or what you are to say; for the Holy Spirit will teach you at that very hour what you ought to say.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

Prayers for Healing

Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers.

The people offer names either silently or aloud.

Those To Lift In Prayer . . .

Jane Alexander, Rachel Becker, Sophie Bing, Stacie Breeden, Barry & Sylvia Brouse, Sara Brownlowe, The Caro Family, Clapper family, Ann Cramer, John Crawford, Neile Crutchley, Susan Cunliff, Sara Cutshall-King, Sandy Dunning, Renee Farmer, Mother Columba Gilliss, Judy Haines, Leonard Hill Jr, Anthony & Krista Kitchen, Anita & David Lane, Alison Lewis, Mary Lewis, Ed Long, Minde Machande, Barbara Maniha, Bob & Ruth McAfee, Amanda McGreevy, Natalie McMaster, Gene Meyers, Burke Miller, Norma & Dale Morgan, Mary Lou Musser, Lynda Osborne, Eleanor Peckham, Al Peden, Dr. Roger Perry, Dottie Pratt, Caroline Price, Lynne Price, Valeri Rakowski, Cris Rattay, Clarence & Virginia Rinehart, Constance Rothmund, John Schmitt & Peter Vazquez, Annette Shives, Mary Ann Simmons, Hillary & Greg Spangler, Jennifer Stone, Matthew, Theresa, Grace, James & Christian Subblefield, Rev. Joell Szachara, Bianca Thompson, Elizabeth Tyeryar-Nagle, Bob Vandervort, Madeline Wadja, Alice Weaver, Kristen Wetzell, Carol Winckler, April Diggs & Waymon Wright & Family, Marty Young, Anne & Garrett

For Military and First Responders: Bruce Beard, Jr., Cpl. Sean Bigger, Grant Brinkley, SFC Chris Hayes, Ens. Aaron Hull, Eleanor Pittinger, Seamus Ryan, Staff Sargent Luke C. Rice, Dustin Turner, PFC Jasmine Valencia, 1st Lt. Ryan Zaybekian

Intercessions

Litany Of Healing

Lord, according to your loving-kindness,
accept our prayers for healing and renewal.

Lord, hear our prayers.

In the wilderness of pain and suffering, darkness and despair,
Heal the brokenhearted, Lord, and bind up their wounds.

Lord, comfort and heal us.

Remind us, Lord, that we are rooted and established in your Love;
That you have need for each of us in this often confusing and challenging world.

Lord, remind us of our belovedness.

Lord, you created each of us in your glorious image, bestowing upon us
our own unique gifts and beauty. Help us to remember the sacredness
of our presence.

Lord, help us to be present in Your Presence.

Lord, you know each of us by name. Relieve us of worry, conflict, and fear.
Relieve us of our insecurities.

Turn your face toward us, Lord, and grant us peace.

Empowered by Your Spirit, Lord, help us practice generosity and compassion,
Let us speak words of hope and listen with humility.

Lord, we welcome Beloved Community.

Lord, we see you within ourselves, we see you in each other,
We see you in all of creation, especially in the darkness where creation begins;
May we be faithful advocates of your will and your way.

Guide us, Lord, as agents of change in this hurting world.

For You alone, God, our souls in silence wait.

From You alone, God, comes our salvation.

The celebrant concludes the prayers with a collect

Gracious God, we commend to your loving care all who suffer, especially those who come here seeking your healing grace for themselves or others. Give them patience and hope in their distress; strengthen and uphold them in mind and body; and grant, by your intervention, that all your people may be made whole according to your desire, through Jesus Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

Spoken by all

Most Holy God,

In the midst of this season of new life, we confess:

We have resisted the light of your love;

we have not fully shared the gifts entrusted to us;

and we have not treasured the gifts of others around us.

We stand in need of your love.

Holy Father, make us holy.

Holy Jesus, make us holy.

Holy Spirit, make us holy.

Holy God, make us whole. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Anointing For Healing

Because we are not touching each other, may you receive this prayer for your healing as the anointing of God's love.

You are anointed with God's holy light and love in this moment of healing embrace, may you know the inward anointing of the Holy Spirit knitting together what has been injured and broken within you. Of God's bounty, may your suffering be relieved, and your spirit, mind, and body restored to grace and peace. May all of us in the frailty of our flesh know God's healing and resurrecting power. **Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

At this time, we invite you to share peace with the community in your household, or those with whom you are connected digitally. Hug a family member or furry friend, or text someone dear to you. The clergy will also offer a solemn bow to those unable to share the peace this morning.

Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer B

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant offers our thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available to us in Christ:

... 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:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant gives thanks to God for the reconciling work of Christ's passion and resurrection and prays over the bread and wine.

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

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

The Lord's Prayer

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking Of The Bread And The Fraction

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast.

The church community gathered in their homes are invited to share and consume the communion bread they have received from the church. If you did not pick up communion bread before the worship service and would like to participate next week, [sign up here](#).

The Post Communion Prayer

Faithful God, in the wonder of your wisdom and love you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of angels, and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life. We thank you for the Body of Christ, the bread of heaven, and for the offering of Christ's holy presence, the gift of spiritual communion, which feeds us when we must be apart.

By the power of the Holy Spirit, may we become One Body in the sacrament of Christ's Body. Transform our lives with your life, for the love we share becomes bread for the world. Amen.

An Epiphany Blessing

May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also, in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord. **Amen.**

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the Only-begotten at his baptism in the Jordan River, pour out that Spirit on you who have come to the waters of new birth. **Amen.**

May God, by the power that turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana, transform your lives and make glad your hearts. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Postlude

Spiritual - Noel DaCosta

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Are you new?

If you've just found our church during this period of life, we'd love to learn more about you. Please visit allsaintsmd.org to fill out our welcome form and a member of our "Connect Team" will be in touch with you shortly.