Epiphany 3 – 21 January 2024

Theme: God is calling

Celebrant: The Parish Chaplain (Reserved Sacrament)

Lit. Asst: The Peoples' Warden **Preacher**: The Bishop's Warden

Welcome and opening prayer

I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

Chorus:

I am the light of the world. You people come and follow me!

If you follow and love, you'll learn the mystery, Of what you were meant to do and be.

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V.1.

To find the lonely and the lost,
To heal their broken souls with love,
To feed the hungry children
with warmth and good food,
To feel the earth below, the sky above.

To free the prisoners from their chains, To make the powerful care, To rebuild the nations with strength of good will,

To be as one with people everywhere.

To bring hope to every task you do, To dance at a baby's new birth, To make music in an old person's heart, And sing to the corners of the earth.

I BELIEVE IN JESUS

V.1.

I believe in Jesus
I believe he is the Son of God
I believe he died and rose again
I believe he paid for us all
And I believe he is here now
Standing in our midst
Here with the power to heal now
And the grace to forgive

V.3.

I believe in Jesus
I believe he is the Son of God
I believe he died and rose again
I believe he paid for us all
And I believe he is here now
Standing in our midst
Here with the power to heal now
And the grace to forgive

V.2.

I believe in you Lord
I believe you are the Son of God
I believe you died and rose again
I believe you paid for us all
And I believe you are here now
Standing in our midst
Here with the power to heal now
And the grace to forgive

V.4.

I ... believe in you Lord
I believe you are the Son of God
I believe you died and rose again
I believe you paid for us all
And I believe you are here now

(Women: I believe that

you're here)

Standing in our midst

Here with the power to heal now

(Women: with the

power to heal)

And the grace to forgive

(Vicky) Grace and peace to you from God.

God fill you with truth and joy.

The Lord be with you.

The Lord bless you.

This is the day which the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden;
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
so that we may truly love you
and worthily praise your holy name;
through our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Hear the teaching of Christ:

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have Loved you. **Spirit of God, search our hearts.**

Hear God's word to all who turn to Christ:

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

Jesus said:

Come to me all who labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest.

God has promised forgiveness to all who truly repent, turn to Christ in faith and are themselves forgiving.

In silence we call to mind our sins. Silence Let us confess our sins.

Merciful God, we have sinned in what we have thought and said, in the wrong we have done and in the good we have not done.

We have sinned in ignorance:
we have sinned in weakness:
we have sinned through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to you.

Forgive us, for our Saviour Christ's sake, and renew our lives to the glory of your name. Amen.

(Vance)

Through the cross of Christ, God have mercy on us, pardon us and set us free. Know that we are forgiven and be at peace. God strengthen us in all Goodness and keep us life eternal. **Amen.**

(Vicky) The peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

The word of Christ dwell in us richly.

Sentence

O Lord my God you are great indeed, you are clothed in majesty and splendour. You cover yourself with light as it were with a garment.

Psalm 104:1,2

Collect

Jesus, our Redeemer, give us your power to reveal and proclaim the good news, so that wherever we may go the sick may be healed, lepers embraced, and the dead and dying given new life; for the glory of your holy name. Amen.

<u>Hebrew Scriptures</u> (Margaret Thompson) Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Epistle Reading (Hazel) 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Gradual Hymn

GALILEE SONG

Deep within my heart I feel
Voices whispering to me
Words that I can't understand
Meanings I can't clearly hear
Calling me to follow close
Lest I leave myself behind
Calling me to walk into
Evening shadows one more time

In my memories I know
How you send familiar rains
Falling gently on my days
Dancing patterns on my pain
And I need to learn once more
In the fortress of my mind
To believe in falling rain
As I travel deserts dry
As I gaze into the night
Down the future of my years
I'm not sure I want to walk

Restless till I live again
Beyond the fears that close me in

Past horizons that I know

But I feel my spirit called

Like a stirring deep within

Chorus

So I leave my boats behind Leave them on familiar shores Set my heart upon the deep Follow you again, my Lord

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Gospel reading (Jackie)

The Holy Gospel according to St Mark chapter 1, verses14-20

Praise and Glory to God

This is the Gospel of Christ **Praise to Christ the Word**

Sermon (Bishop's Warden)

Creed

"We affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed"

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became fully human. 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, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, and 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 (Sylvia)

"Let us pray for the church and for the world giving thanks for God's goodness."

The Peace (Vance)

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

E te whanau, we are the body of Christ.

By one Spirit we were baptised into one body.

Keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

Amen. We are bound by the love of Christ.

Offertory Hymn

BE NOT AFRAID

V.1. Chorus

You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst.
You shall wander far in safety, though you do not know the way.

You shall speak your words in foreign lands,

and all will understand.

You shall see the face of God and live.

V.2. Chorus
If you pass through raging waters,

in the sea you shall not drown.

If you walk amid the burning flames,

you shall not be harmed.

If you stand before the power of hell

and death is at your side. Know that I am with you through it all.

<u>Chorus</u>

V.3. Blessed are your poor,

for the kingdom shall be theirs.
Blest are you that weep and mourn,
for one day you shall laugh.
And if wicked men insult and hate you, all
because of me.

Be not afraid,

Be not afraid,

Be not afraid,

Come follow me;

Come follow me;

I go before you always.

and I will give you rest.

I go before you always.

and I will give you rest.

I go before you always. Come follow me; and I will give you rest.

Holy Communion (Vance)

Blessed, blessed are you.

To you, Lord, belongs the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory and the majesty.

All that is in the heavens and the earth is yours, and of your own we give you.

Let us give glory to God, our Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier

Glory to God in the highest

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God our Creator, we thank you for the world you have made; we thank you for your loving care watching over all creation; we thank you for entrusting part of your world to us and to tend, to care for and to develop.

Glory to God in the highest

You have made us, women and men in your image, so that in each other we can trace your likeness and serve you by serving our brothers and sisters.

Glory to God in the highest

You made us to know you and to be near you, our hearts are restless until we come to you. To bring us nearer to you when we were still far off, you sent your prophets and teachers to show us the glory of your steadfast love.

Glory to God in the highest

The wonder of your redeeming love was fully shown in Jesus the Christ, who walked among us as one of us, meeting us face to face, person to person, God in human form.

Glory to God in the highest

Yet we did not value him and sent him to death, a death he freely accepted, stretching out his arms on the cross to embrace the whole human race and to bear our sin in himself. By his death and resurrection, death is destroyed and we are delivered from sin to share his risen life.

Glory to God in the highest

You sent your Holy Spirit upon your Church so that, in Jesus, we are united to you, Father, with all the redeemed.

Glory to God in the highest

We thank you that we can worship you with prayer and praise as one with all your people. Above all we thank you for this sacrament of the body and blood of Christ.

Glory to God in the highest

God, creator of time and space, may the love and faith which makes this bread the body of Christ this wine his blood enfold us now.

Make us one with the people at Holy Trinity last Sunday, and the whole body of Christ. May Christ's Holy Spirit bring to us in the sacrament the strength we need and an abiding trust in your gift of eternal life.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen

The Invitation (Vance)

Come God's people, come to receive Christ's heavenly food.

Songs during Communion

My Peace I give you (taize)

My Peace I give you, my peace I leave you Trouble not your hearts My peace I give you my peace I leave you Be not afraid.

There is a Redeemer

V.1.

There is a Redeemer, Jesus God's own Son. Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Ho -- ly One

V.2.

Jesus, my redeemer, Name above all names, Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, O for sinners slain.

V.3.

When I stand in glory, I will see his face. And there I'll serve my King forever, In that Holy Place.

Chorus:

Thank you, O my Father, for giving us your Son, And leaving your Spirit till the work on earth is done

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Thank you, O my Father, for giving us your Son, And leaving your Spirit till the work on earth is done

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With all my heart

<u>V.1.</u>

With all my heart I thank You Lord. With all my heart I thank You Lord. For this bread and wine we break, for this sacrament we take, for the forgiveness that You make, I thank You, Lord

V.3.

With all my voice I thank You Lord. With all my voice I thank You Lord. For the sacrifice of pain, for the Spirit and the flame, for the power of Your name, I thank You, Lord

<u>V.2</u>

With all my soul I thank You Lord. With all my soul I thank You Lord. For this victory that You've won, for this taste of things to come, for this love that makes us one, I thank You, Lord

Post-Communion Prayer (Vicky)

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home.

Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace and opened the gate of glory.

May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.

Blessing (Vance)

May Christ's bright star enlighten your mind and heart as you strive for equality, justice and kindness in the world, and the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you now and always. Amen.

Notices and Birthdays

Recessional Hymn

Lord, the light of your love is shining

V.1. Lord, the light of your love is shining, In the midst of the darkness, shining; Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us, Set us free by the truth you now bring us. Shine on me, shine on me.	CHORUS: Shine Jesus shine, fill this land with the Father's glory; Blaze Spirit blaze, set our hearts on fire. Flow river flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy; Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.
V.2. Lord, I come to your awesome presence, From the shadows into your radiance; By the blood I may enter your brightness, Search me, try me, consume all my darkness. Shine on me, shine on me.	CHORUS: Shine Jesus shine, fill this land with the Father's glory; Blaze Spirit blaze, set our hearts on fire. Flow river flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy; Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.
V.3 As we gaze on your kingly brightness, So our faces display your likeness, Ever changing from glory to glory; Mirrored here may our lives tell your story. Shine on me, shine on me.	CHORUS: Shine Jesus shine, fill this land with the Father's glory; Blaze Spirit blaze, set our hearts on fire. Flow river flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy; Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.

The Sending Out

Go now to love and serve the Lord.

Go in peace.

Amen. We go in the name of Christ.