

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Living God,
you have revealed your Son as the Messiah.
May we hear his word and follow it, and live as
children of light. We ask this in the name of Jesus
Christ the Lord. AMEN

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of glory,
you nourish us with bread from heaven. Fill us with
your Holy Spirit, that through us your light may shine
in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus
Christ. AMEN

**Parish of the Ascension
Second Sunday after Epiphany
January 19, 2025**

COLLECT

Almighty God,
your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
is the light of the world.
May your people,
illuminated by your word and sacraments,
shine with the radiance of his glory,
that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed
to the ends of the earth;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. AMEN

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ISAIAH

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I
will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and
her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your
vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called
by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall
be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal
diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed
Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but
you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married;
for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For
as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder
marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so
shall your God rejoice over you. **ISAIAH 62:1-5**

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

PSALM

REFRAIN *We feast on the riches of your house, O Lord.*

Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, and your faithfulness to the clouds. Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep; you save both man and beast, O Lord. **R**

How priceless is your love, O God! your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings. They feast upon the abundance of your house; you give them drink from the river of your delights. **R**

For with you is the well of life, and in your light we see light. Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you, and your favour to those who are true of heart. **R PSALM 36:5-10**

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment

of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. **1 CORINTHIANS 12:1-11**

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Reader: The Lord be with you

People: And also with you

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him. **JOHN 2:1-11**

Reader: The Gospel of Christ

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ