# Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Sung Eucharist

Book of Alternative Services (p. 185)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

LITURGY OF THE WORD

# **PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

INVOCATION

**INTROIT SENTENCE** 

Jesus went about Galilee, teaching, preaching, and healing every disease. CF. MATTHEW 4:23

THE GRACE (STAND)

Celebrant: Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe. All: From the rising of the sun to its setting your name is proclaimed in all the world.

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

SILENCE

KYRIE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

(KNEEL OR SIT)

Please say or sing the KYRIE ELEISON after each of the three petitions.

**Kyrie Eleison. Christe Eleison. Kyrie Eleison.** (MERBECKE: CP or 678/HB C177)

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE COLLECT (STAND)

**SILENCE** 

God our creator, who in the beginning commanded the light to shine out of darkness: we pray that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ may dispel the darkness of ignorance and unbelief, shine into the hearts of all your people, and reveal the knowledge of your glory in the face of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen** 

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

(SIT)

After each reading, except the psalm, the reader says 'The Word of the Lord' and all respond: **Thanks be to God.** 

First Reading – 1<sup>st</sup> Reader

The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." Then the Lord replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak - that prophet shall die."

**DEUTERONOMY 18:15-20** 

PSALM – 1<sup>ST</sup> READER

Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the deeds of the Lord! they are studied by all who delight in them.

His work is full of majesty and splendour, and his righteousness endures for ever.

He makes his marvellous works to be remembered; the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

He gives food to those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant.

He has shown his people the power of his works in giving them the lands of the nations.

The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; all his commandments are sure.

They stand fast for ever and ever, because they are done in truth and equity.

He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever; holy and awesome is his name.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures for ever.

PSALM 111

Second Reading – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reader

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him. Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "no idol in the world really exists," and that "there is no God but one." Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth - as in fact there are many gods and many lords - yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist. It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. "Food will not bring us close to God." We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall. 1 CORINTHIANS 8:1-13

GOSPEL (STAND)

Gospeller: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia (CP: 708)

All: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Gospeller: Christ was revealed in flesh, proclaimed among the nations and believed in throughout the world.

CF. 1 TIMOTHY 3:16

All: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Gospeller: The Lord be with you. (TONE - BAS P.920 OR CP: 718)

All: And also with you.

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

They went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not

as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ. All: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

SERMON (SIT)
THE NICENE CREED - BAS p.188 (STAND)

Celebrant: We believe in one God.

All: 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (KNEEL OR SIT)

The response will be announced.

THE PEACE (STAND)

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

#### **OFFERTORY HYMN**

Eucharistic Prayer III - BAS p.198

(REMAIN STANDING)

#### PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Gracious God, accept the offering of your Church, the hearts of your people joined in praise and thanksgiving, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen** 

SURSUM CORDA (MUSIC - BAS P.921)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE PREFACE

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS (MERBECKE: CP 683/ HB C177)

All: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Glory be to you, O Lord most high.

Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.

THE EUCHARISTIC CANON

(KNEEL OR STAND)

Response to: 'Therefore, Father, according to his command' is: we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory; & at the end of the Eucharistic Prayer: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray. Our Father in heaven.

All: 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 for ever. Amen

# **FRACTION SENTENCE**

SILENCE

Celebrant: We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.

All: God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.

AGNUS DEI

(MERBECKE: CP 685/ HB C177)

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: Have mercy upon us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: Have mercy upon us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: Grant us your peace.

**COMMUNION SENTENCE** 

(KNEEL OR SIT)

Celebrant: Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

COMMUNION

### **COMMUNION HYMN**

# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

(KNEEL OR SIT)

## SILENCE

Generous Lord, in word and eucharist we have proclaimed the mystery of your love: help us so to live out our days that we may be signs of your wonders in the world; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen** 

THE SOLEMN BLESSING OF EPIPHANY

(KNEEL)

#### RECESSIONAL HYMN

DISMISSAL

(REMAIN STANDING)