SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
JANUARY 22, 2017 — THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
HOLY Eucharist, Rite II — 10:00 A.M.

THE WORD OF GOD
The opening music offers a time for prayer and meditation. Please silence all devices.

GATHERING MUSIC Sonata No. 5, Allegro Beethoven
Please stand, as able, at the sound of the chimes.

OPENING ACCLAMATION AND RESPONSE
Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
People And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

HYMNAL #381 Thy Strong Word

COLLECT FOR PURITY said by all

All Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Benedictus Es, Domine (Canticle 13)

The music is found at S 236 in the front section of the hymnal.

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers:
you are worthy of praise, glory to you.
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;
you are worthy of praise, glory to you.
Glory to you in the splendor of your temple, glory to you.
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;
you are worthy of praise, glory to you.
Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
Glory to you, opening the doors;
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

COLLECT OF THE DAY
Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son 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, worshiped, 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.

FIRST READING
Isaiah 9:1-4
(pew Bible, p. 624)

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 1:10-18
(pew Bible, p. 1040)

Reader The Word of the Lord.
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Antiphon Cantor, then All

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

GOSPEL Matthew 4:12-23
(pew Bible, p. 881)

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise you, Lord Christ.

PSALM 27:1, 5-13 sung by all Robert Knox Kennedy

Choir 1 The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?
The LORD is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?
5 One thing have I asked of the LORD; one thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life; and to seek him in his temple.
6 To behold the fair beauty of the LORD and to seek him in his temple.
7 For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock.
8 Even now he lifts up my head above my enemies round about me.
9 Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; I will sing and make music to the LORD.
10 Hearken to my voice, O LORD, when I call; have mercy on me and answer me.
11 You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." Your face, Lord, will I seek.
12 Hide not your face from me, nor turn away your servant in displeasure.
13 You have been my helper; cast me not off; do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

Hear our prayer.

Lord, in your mercy,
People Hear our prayer.

Reader Gracious God:

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Nicene Creed
Book of Common Prayer, p. 358 standing, if able

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
Standing or kneeling

Reader Lord, in your mercy,
People Hear our prayer.

Reader Gracious God:

All By your love you have called us to proclaim with joy the good news of your Son: So build us up in the knowledge and love of Him, that we may welcome all people into this community of faith, and show forth our service to you in our service to others; through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

CONFESSIO N AND ABSOLUTION
Standing or kneeling

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

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

People Amen.

Those serving on the Fellowship Commission are invited to come forward.

THE COMMISSIONING
Celebrant Let us pray.

People There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit, and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of working, but it is the same God who inspires them all in everyone.

Celebrant Look with favor upon those whom you have called, O Lord, to lead and support your people in building relationship with others in the church family; and grant that they may be so filled with your Holy Spirit that, seeking your glory, they may minister your Word with steadfast devotion, through Christ our Savior.

People Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

You are invited to share a sign of God’s peace with those around you.
THE HOLY COMMUNION
All are invited to share at the Lord’s table. At the altar railing you may stand or kneel to receive the bread and the wine. You may drink from the cup or touch the bread to the wine. If you prefer to receive a blessing, you may indicate so by crossing your arms.

The common loaf is gluten-free.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE
Eternal Light
Eternal Light, shine into our hearts,
Eternal Goodness, deliver us from evil,
Eternal Power, be our support,
Eternal Wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance,
Eternal Pity, have mercy upon us, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PASSENGMENT
sung by all, standing if able
MORNING STAR
Vainly we offer each ample oblation,
Vainly with gifts would his favor secure;
Richer by far is the heart's adoration,
Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with
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PRESENTATION
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The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B
The prayer may be followed in the BCP on p. 367.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth...

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