



## Morning Prayer and Holy Eucharist at the Church of St. Paul, Cambria

• The Fifth Sunday of Epiphany • February 9, 2025 •

### Opening Hymn 812 WLP

Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
**And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.  
Amen.**

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.**

### Penitential Rite

God of the prophets, your love reaches far beyond the boundaries of covenant and command. Redeemed by a love so patient and kind, may we offer that same love to others and so proclaim you to the world by the witness of our lives. As a beginning, today, to live more fully into your love, may we fully and completely confess our sins:

**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.**

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. Amen.

The Lord has shown forth his glory:  
**Come let us adore him. Alleluia!**

**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.**

### **Psalm 67:1-5 Deus misereatur**

O God, be merciful to us and bless us,  
show us the light of your countenance and come to us.  
Let your ways be known upon earth,  
your saving health among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth.

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### Psalm 138

1 I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; \* before the gods I will sing your praise.

2 I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, \* because of your love and faithfulness;

3 For you have glorified your Name \* and your word above all things.

4 When I called, you answered me; \* you increased my strength within me.

5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD, \* when they have heard the words of your mouth.

6 They will sing of the ways of the LORD, \* that great is the glory of the LORD.

7 Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly; \* he perceives the haughty from afar.

8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; \* you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

9 The LORD will make good his purpose for me; \* O LORD, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**The first reading** is from the Prophet Isaiah (6:1-13)

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings; with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two

they flew. And one called to another and said, "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; and the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" Then one of seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the LORD saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!" And he said, "Go and say to this people: 'Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand.' Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds, and turn and be healed." Then I said, "How long, O Lord?" And he said: "Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is utterly desolate; until the LORD sends everyone far away, and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land. Even if a tenth part remain in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak whose stump remains standing when it is felled." The holy seed is its stump.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Canticle 12: The Song of Creation

Glorify the Lord, all you works of the Lord, \* praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

In the firmament of his power, glorify the Lord, \* praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

Let the earth glorify the Lord, \* praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

Glorify the Lord, O mountains and hills, and all that grows upon the earth, \* praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

Glorify the Lord, O springs of water, seas, and streams, \* O whales and all that move in the waters.

All birds of the air, glorify the Lord, \* praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

Glorify the Lord, O beasts of the wild, \* and all you flocks and herds.

O men and women everywhere, glorify the Lord, \* praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

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 second reading** is from First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians (15:1-11)

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

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### Canticle C: **The Song of Hannah** *1 Samuel 2:1-8*

My heart exults in you, O God; \* my triumph song is lifted in you.

My mouth derides my enemies, \* for I rejoice in your salvation.

There is none holy like you, \* nor any rock to be compared to you, our God.

Do not heap up prideful words or speak in arrogance; \* Only God is knowing and weighs all actions.

The bows of the mighty are broken, \* but the weak are clothed in strength.

Those once full now labor for bread, \* those who hungered now are well fed.

The childless woman has borne sevenfold, \* while the mother of many is forlorn.

God destroys and brings to life, casts down and raises up; \* gives wealth or takes it away, humbles and dignifies.

God raises the poor from the dust; \* and lifts the needy from the ash heap

To make them sit with the rulers \* and inherit a place of honor.

For the pillars of the earth are God's \* on which the whole earth is founded.

The **Holy Gospel** of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (5:1-11)

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filed both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon**

Music

**Affirmation of Faith:**

**We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God; Father, Son, and holy Spirit.**

**Amen.**

**The Prayers of the People**

Taught by God's word we pray for the church and the world, saying: Lord, have mercy.

*(As the Spirit moves you, please take turns reading one or more of the petitions. Please observe a short silence at the indicated times.)*

For peace in all lands and in the hearts of all people, (silence) we pray: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who are Christians, that they may be strong in their love and faith and may work together for greater unity, (silence) we pray: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those preparing for ministry and for all who guide them, that they may be teachers of God's light and Love, (silence) we pray: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all members of our civic community, that we may live together with justice and understanding, (silence) we pray: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who are afflicted with pain, sorrow, or loneliness and for all who care for them, (silence) we pray: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the sick and the dying, and for the dead and the bereaved, (silence) we pray: **Lord, have mercy.**

For our young men and women who are serving our country far from home and those preparing to go into perilous situations; may your strong hand guard and protect them, (silence) we pray: **Lord, have mercy.**

*(Here other intercessions may be offered.)*

God of wisdom and love, hear the prayers of your beloved children in this community of faith. Bring your help to all in need, granting our prayer through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

**Offertory Hymn 671**

*Prayer over the gifts:*

Eternal God, in you we find peace beyond all telling. May we who share in this heavenly banquet be instruments of your peace on earth. **Amen.**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

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 him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.**

We give thanks to you, O God, . . . .

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 . . . .

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

Asking God to forgive us our many sins, with love and forgiveness towards all, we now pray:  
**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 Breaking of the Bread-**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Behold the true Light of the world, the Beloved of God, anointed by the Spirit. Blessed are those who are called to the banquet of the Lamb.

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Source of all goodness, in this eucharist we are nourished by the bread of heaven and invigorated with new wine.

Let us pray.

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for  
feeding us with the spiritual food of the most  
precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior  
Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy**

**mysteries that we are living members of the  
Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal  
kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the  
work you have given us to do, to love and serve  
you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To  
him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and  
glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

Knowing that all of our community cannot share the Eucharist in person, we affirm that the true mystical communion of Christ and His Church is a bond of spirit and heart, grounded in faith. Therefore, we commit ourselves to the reality that Christ is with us wherever we are. **Amen.**

#### **Blessing**

Lord, send your light upon your family, infuse them with your grace that they may always do what is right in your sight.

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

#### **The Peace**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.\_  
**And also with you.**

#### **Announcements**

#### **Anniversary/Thanksgiving Prayer**

We give you thanks, O God, for your many blessings: for our days of celebration, for the love that surrounds us, for your healing presence in our lives. Keep us in your care, we pray, and help us to live as truly thankful people. **Amen.**

#### **Closing hymn 362**

As disciples eager to share the blessedness of God's kingdom, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**