

THE SERVICE OF THE LORD'S DAY
Sunday 10th February 2019 – Epiphany 5

With all that we have and all that we are we will praise you, O Lord
As our highest priority we shall sing your praise.

**We shall bow down and worship at your holy temple
And praise your name for your faithfulness and love.**

Hymn: TIS 449/AHB 383

**Stand up and bless the Lord,
you people of his choice;
stand up and bless the Lord your God
with heart, and soul, and voice.**

**Though high above all praise,
above all blessing high,
who would not fear his holy name,
and praise and magnify?**

**O for the living flame
from his own altar brought,
to touch our lips, our minds inspire,
and wing to heaven our thought!**

**Stand up and bless the Lord,
the Lord your God adore;
stand up and bless his glorious name,
henceforth for evermore.**

James Montgomery 1771-1854 alt.

Isaiah 6:1-5 (NRSV)

6 ¹In 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. ²Seraphs 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. ³And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory.”

⁴ The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵ 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!”

Luke 5:1-8 (NRSV)

5 ¹ Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, ² he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³ 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. ⁴ When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.” ⁵ Simon answered, “Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.” ⁶ When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. ⁷ So they signalled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸ But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, “Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!”

EARLY WORD

Isaiah 6:5-8 (NRSV)

6 ⁵ 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!” ⁶ Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷ 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.” ⁸ 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!”

Luke: 5:8-11 (NRSV)

5 ⁸ But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, “Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!” ⁹ For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; ¹⁰ 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.” ¹¹ When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

1 Corinthians 15:1-6 & 11 (NRSV)

15 ¹Now 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, ²through 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. ³For 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, ⁴and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

(Psalm 138) **TIS 86** – sung response, verse spoken by reader

Response

**The rulers of all the earth, the rulers will praise you,
Lord, when they have heard the words of your mouth.**

With my whole heart I will praise you, O Lord;
before the gods I will sing your praise.
I will bow down and worship your holy temple
and praise your name for your faithfulness and love.

Response

Your name and your word are exalted above all;
yet when I called, you answered and you strengthened me.
All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O Lord,
when they have heard the words of your mouth.

Response

They will sing the ways of the Lord.
How great is the glory of the Lord!
For though the Lord is high, God has regard for the lowly;
as for the proud, God considers them from afar.

Response

Though I walk in the midst of troubles, you save me;
against the fury of my foes, you stretch out your hand.
With your right hand you deliver me.

The Lord will fulfil a purpose for me.
Your loving kindness, O Lord, endures for ever;
do not forsake the work of your hands.

Response

**The rulers of all the earth, the rulers will praise you,
Lord, when they have heard the words of your mouth.**

*Version by Arlo Dean Duba 1929–
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Hymn: TIS 412/ATE 251

**God sends us his Spirit to befriend and help us,
re-create and guide us, Spirit-friend:
Spirit who enlivens, sanctifies, enlightens,
sets us free, is now our Spirit-friend.**

**Spirit of our Father, Spirit-friend,
Spirit of our Jesus, Spirit-friend,
Spirit of God's people, Spirit-friend.**

**Darkened roads are clearer, heavy burdens lighter
when we're walking with our Spirit-friend:
now we need not fear the powers of the darkness:
none can overcome our Spirit-friend,**

**Spirit of our Father, Spirit-friend,
Spirit of our Jesus, Spirit-friend,
Spirit of God's people, Spirit-friend.**

**Now we are God's people, bonded by his presence,
agents of his purpose, Spirit-friend:
lead us forward ever, slipping backward never,
to your re-made world, our Spirit-friend.**

**Spirit of our Father, Spirit-friend,
Spirit of our Jesus, Spirit-friend,
Spirit of God's people, Spirit-friend.**

Tom Colvin 1925- and people of Ghana

Proclamation:

Hymn: TiS 685 “The Power of Your Love”

**Lord I come to You
Let my heart be changed, renewed
Flowing from the grace
That I found in You.
And Lord I've come to know
The weaknesses I see in me
Will be stripped away
By the power of Your love.**

***Hold me close
Let Your love surround me
Bring me near
Draw me to Your side.
And as I wait
I'll rise up like the eagle
And I will soar with You
Your Spirit leads me on
In the power of Your love.***

**Lord unveil my eyes
Let me see You face to face
The knowledge of Your love
As You live in me
Lord renew my mind
As Your will unfolds in my life
In living every day
By the power of Your love
*Hold me close***

Geoffrey William Bullock 1955–

Offering:

Announcements:

Prayers of the people for the church and the world:

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: TiS 452 /AHB 379

**God of mercy, God of grace,
show the brightness of your face;
shine upon us, Saviour, shine,
fill your church with light divine;
and your saving health extend
to the earth's remotest end.**

**Let the people praise you, Lord!
be by all that live adored;
let the nations shout and sing
glory to their Saviour king;
at your feet their tribute pay,
and your holy will obey.**

**Let the people praise you, Lord!
earth shall then its fruits afford.
God to us his blessing give,
we to God devoted live:
all below, and all above,
one in joy and light and love.**

*from Psalm 61
Henry Francis Lyte 1793-1847 alt.*

Commissioning:

Go now as bearers of the Good News, which you received
and on which your faith stands firm,
following Christ and walking together as you praise the living God.

**In the love of Christ, we will encourage one another
and pray that he will bless us all.
To His name be all the glory
and to Him be given ceaseless praise. Amen**

Organist plays Hymn: TiS 134 as people leave.