



# Worship at Home

*Sunday, January 17, 2021 – Second Sunday after the Epiphany*

Officiant: Rev. Molly Finlay  
Preacher: Rev. Benjamin Gillard  
Pianist & Cantor: Cara Halpin

via Zoom or Dial-In

# Opening Hymn

## *Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me*

Rock of ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee; let the water and the blood,  
from thy riven side which flowed, be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and power.

Not the labours of my hands can fulfil thy law's demands; could my zeal no respite know,  
could my tears forever flow, all for sin could not atone: thou must save, and thou alone.

While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyelids close in death, when I soar through tracts unknown,  
see thee on thy judgement throne, Rock of ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee.

# The Collect

*Officiant* Together, let us pray.

*All* **Almighty God, your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world. May your people, illumined 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.**

# First Reading (Read by Gordon Stock)

## *1 Samuel 3:1-10*

### *Reader*

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Samuel.

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again."

# First Reading (Read by Gordon Stock)

## *1 Samuel 3:1-10*

Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

*Reader*  
*All*

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

# Psalm 139

*Please join on the alternating bolded verses of the psalm*

*Officiant* Lord, you have searched me out and known me; you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

*All* **You trace my journeys and my resting-places and are acquainted with all my ways.**

*Officiant* Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, but you, O Lord, know it altogether.

*All* **You press upon me behind and before and lay your hand upon me.**

# Psalm 139

*Please join on the alternating bolded verses of the psalm*

*Officiant* Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;  
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

*All* **For you yourself created my inmost parts;  
you knit me together in my mother's womb.**

*Officiant* I will thank you because I am marvellously made;  
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.

*All* **My body was not hidden from you,  
while I was being made in secret  
and woven in the depths of the earth.**

# Psalm 139 (continued)

*Please join on the alternating bolded verses of the psalm*

*Officiant* Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;  
all of them were written in your book; they were fashioned day by day,  
when as yet there was none of them.

*All* **How deep I find your thoughts, O God! how great is the sum of them!**

*Officiant* If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand;  
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

*Officiant* Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

*All* **as it was in the beginning is now and will be for ever. Amen.**

# Gospel Reading

## *John 1:43-51*

*Reader* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Reader* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Reader* The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man." The Gospel of Christ.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**



**Homily:** Rev. Benjamin Gillard

**Solo:** *Come Down, O Love Divine* (by Hilary Tadman-Robins),  
Michael Dodge, Tenor; Cara Halpin, piano.

# The Apostles Creed

*Officiant*

Let us confess our faith as we say,

*All*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

# Invitation to Christian Stewardship

*We at St John the Baptist Norway give regularly to God's work through offerings and other gifts. Our offerings support the life of the parish, as well as the work we do in the world, both locally and globally.*

*We invite you to contribute financially as you are able to the life and ministry of the parish. Instructions for submitting contributions can be found on our the website.*

***Officiant*** 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.

***All*** Amen.



**Prayers of the People,** Led by Bridget North

# The Confession

*Officiant*

Dear friends in Christ, as we worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy. Most merciful God,

*All*

**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 neighbours 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.**

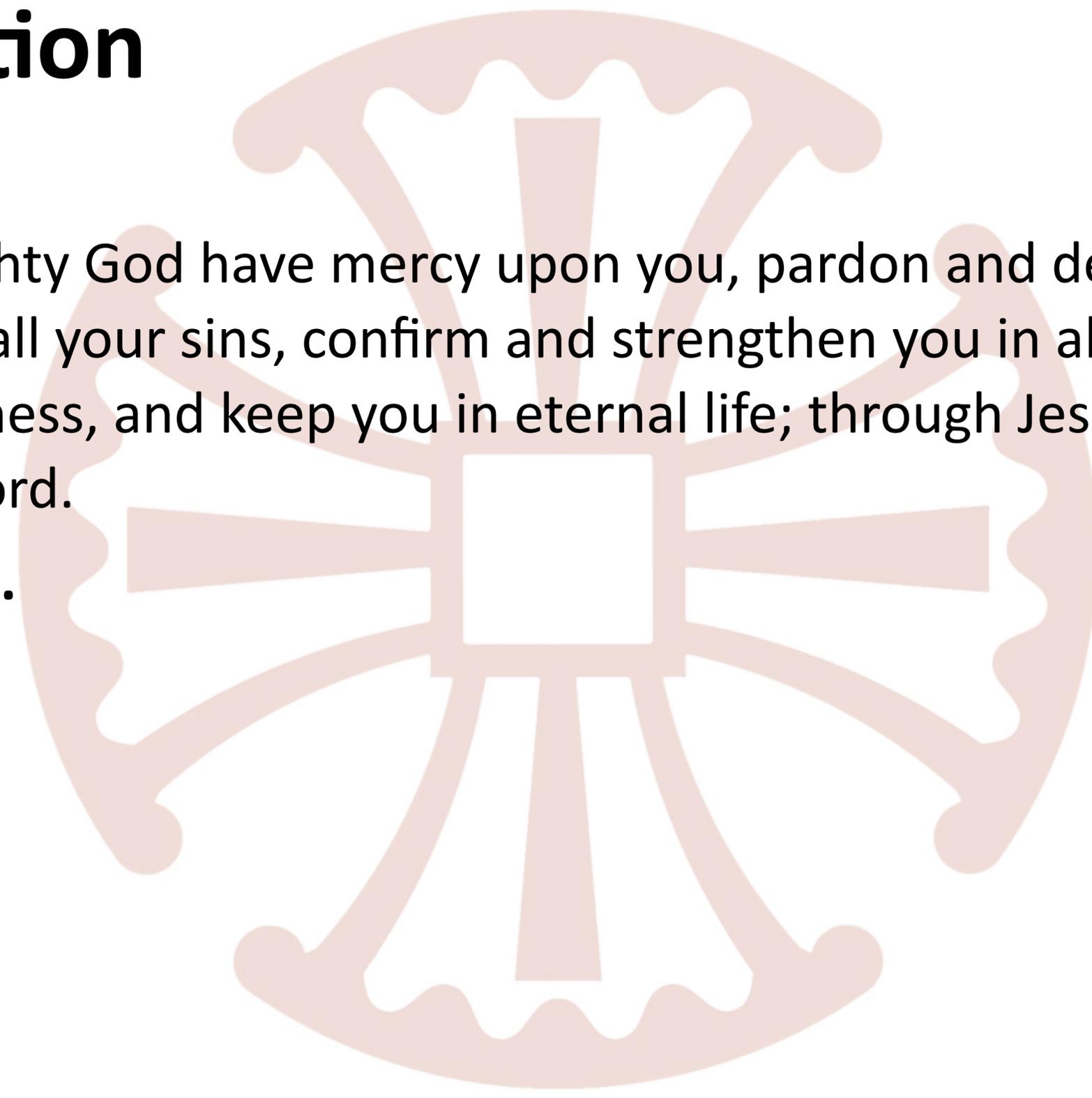
# The Absolution

*Officiant*

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All*

**Amen.**



# The Lord's Prayer

*Officiant*

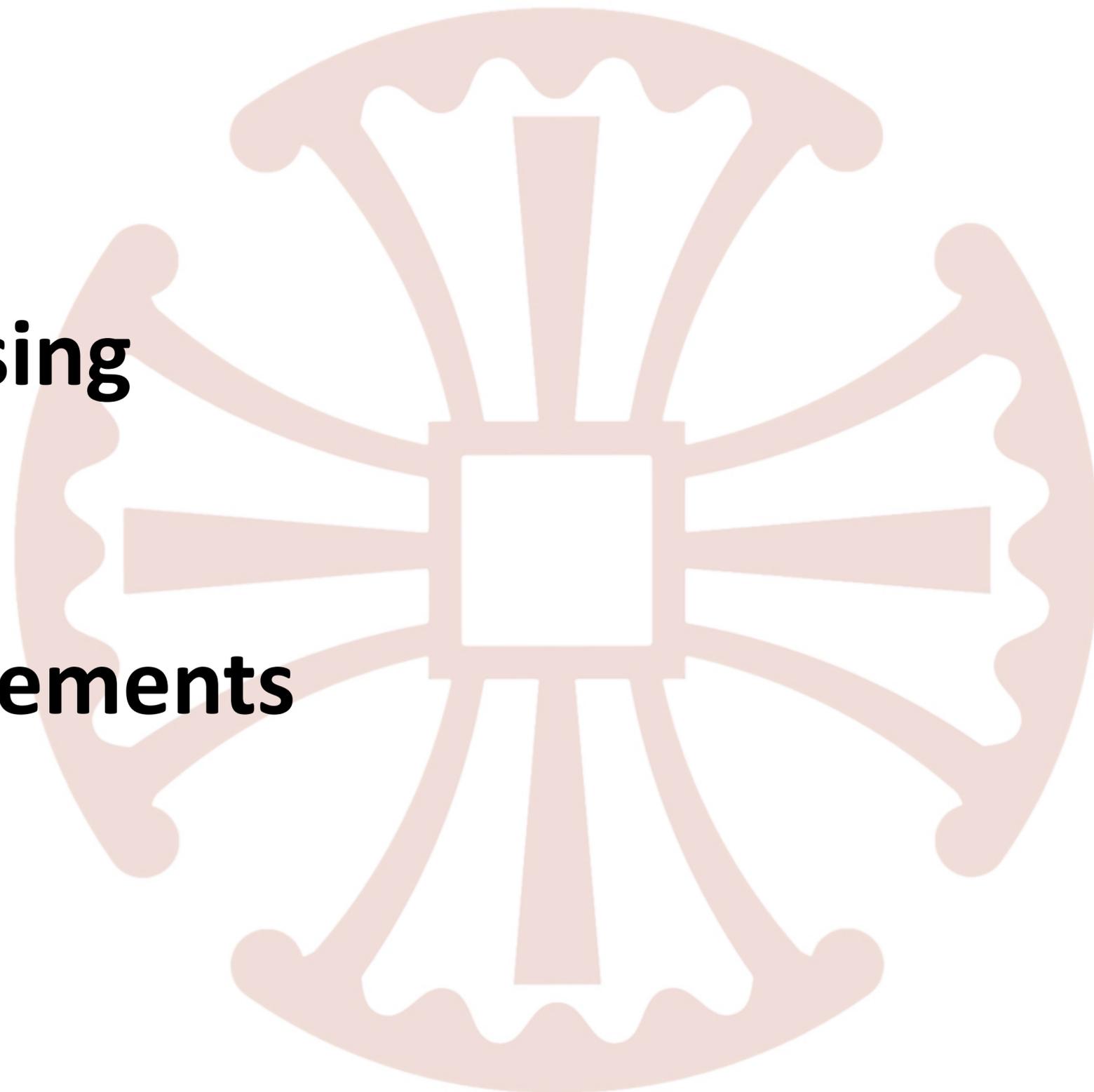
And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us,  
we are bold to say,

*All*

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

**The Blessing**

**Announcements**



# Closing Hymn *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (CP 384)*

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;

O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation;

all ye who hear, brothers and sisters draw near, praise him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,

shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth:

hast thou not seen how thy entreaties have been granted in what he ordaineth.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!

All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him!

Let the Amen sound from his people again: gladly for aye we adore him.

# The Dismissal

*Officiant* Let us go forth, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

