

THE FEAST OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 2020 AT 8:00 AM

THE WORD OF GOD

✠ *Please stand as you are able.*

The people's responses are in bold.

ORGAN PRELUDE

✠ **OPENING HYMN** *Amazing grace, how sweet the sound*

Hymnal 671

✠ **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

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Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

✠ **THE COLLECT FOR PURITY**

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✠ **SUMMARY OF THE LAW**

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✠ **THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Almighty God, by the hand of Moses thy servant thou didst lead thy people out of slavery, and didst make them free at last: grant that thy Church, following the example of thy blessed prophet Martin Luther King, may resist oppression in the name of thy love, and may secure for all thy children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSON

GENESIS 37: 17b–20

Lector A Reading from the Book of Genesis.

Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE GRADUAL: Psalm 77: 11-20 *Voce mea ad Dominum*

The psalm is said responsively.

I will remember the works of the Lord,
and call to mind your wonders of old time.

**I will meditate on all your acts
and ponder your mighty deeds.**

Your way, O God, is holy;
who is so great a god as our God?

**You are the God who works wonders
and have declared your power among the peoples.**

By your strength you have redeemed your people,
the children of Jacob and Joseph.

**The waters saw you, O God;
the waters saw you and trembled;
the very depths were shaken.**

The clouds poured out water;
the skies thundered;
your arrows flashed to and fro;

**The sound of your thunder was in the whirlwind;
your lightnings lit up the world;
the earth trembled and shook.**

Your way was in the sea,
and your paths in the great waters,
yet your footsteps were not seen.

**You led your people like a flock
by the hand of Moses and Aaron.**

THE EPISTLE

EPHESIANS 6: 10-20

Lector A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel,

for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

✠THE GOSPEL

LUKE 6: 27-36

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus said, "I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Reverend Chris Harris

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✠THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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✠CONFESSION OF SIN

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✠THE PEACE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OFFERTORY

✠HYMN *Let us break bread together*

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✠THE DOXOLOGY

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

✠THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: PRAYER II

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✠THE LORD'S PRAYER

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✠THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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THE BLESSING

✠HYMN

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me
 2 When my way grows drear, pre - cious Lord, lin - ger
 3 When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws

stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
 near, when my life is al - most gone;
 near, and the day is past and gone,

through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the
 hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I
 at the riv - er I stand, guide my feet, hold my

light: take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.
 fall: take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.
 hand: take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.

✠THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God.**