



**OPENING HYMN**

“Be Thou My Vision” The Hymnal 488

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
 3 High King of hea - ven, when vic - tory is won,

all else be nought to me, save that thou art—  
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
 may I reach hea - ven's joys, bright hea - ven's Sun!

thou my best thought, — by day or by night,  
 thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be;  
 Heart of my heart, — what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
 thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.  
 still be my vis - ion, O Ru - ler of all.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

See the Revelations e-Newsletter for more information on what is happening around the parish or sign up on our website.

**MOMENT OF QUIET**

Our service begins with the ringing of a bell and moment of intentional quiet.

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**THE OPENING ACCLAMATION**

*Clergy Leader* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

**THE COLLECT FOR PURITY**

God of Love, you know our inner-most thoughts and the deepest secrets of our hearts. Holy Spirit, move into our lives with your mercy and forgiveness, cleanse us and make us whole, so that we are ready to serve you and your creation with love. **Amen.**

Clergy Leader Lord, have mercy.  
People **Christ, have mercy.**  
Clergy Leader Lord, have mercy.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Clergy Leader The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Clergy Leader Let us pray. Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE LESSONS

### EXODUS 3:1-15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain." But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations."

Clergy The Word of the Lord.  
People **Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM 26:1-8

*Typically, we read the Psalms responsively. Online, we will read the Psalms in unison as a symbol of our enduring connection.*

- 1 **Give judgment for me, O Lord,  
for I have lived with integrity; \*  
I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.**
- 2 **Test me, O Lord, and try me; \*  
examine my heart and my mind.**
- 3 **For your love is before my eyes; \*  
I have walked faithfully with you.**

- 4     **I have not sat with the worthless, \*  
nor do I consort with the deceitful.**
- 5     **I have hated the company of evildoers; \*  
I will not sit down with the wicked.**
- 6     **I will wash my hands in innocence, O Lord, \*  
that I may go in procession round your altar,**
- 7     **Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving \*  
and recounting all your wonderful deeds.**
- 8     **Lord, I love the house in which you dwell \*  
and the place where your glory abides.**

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL**

### **MATTHEW 16:21-28**

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

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

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

*Deacon*       The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*        **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **THE SERMON**

Brian Nystrom, Jimmy Bartz

*During our time of worship over the web, our sermons will be a conversation among the clergy.*

## **MAKE YOUR OWN EXPRESSION OF LOVE**

*An opportunity to apply what the story teaches us to creatively embody the faith in real time.*

## **MUSIC**

"People Get Ready" Curtis Mayfield

Kirsten Farney, vocalist, Andrew Todd, piano

## **THE NICENE CREED**

*The People stand as able and say together*

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,**

**ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER**  
United Church of South India

**PARTNER PARISHES**  
Church of St. John the Evangelist, Hastings, England  
Santa Maria Magdalena, Favorito, Cuba  
La Gran Familia, Cuauhtémoc, Mexico

**DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER**  
Christ Church, Newcastle

**SERVING IN THE MILITARY**  
Pvt. First Class August Boldt  
Pvt. First Class Briton Bommer  
Charlie Ezzell  
Pvt. Jacob Farney  
Captain Alic Kelso  
Lt. Wolf Klotz  
Staff Sgt. Brian Luciano

**IN NEED OF COMFORT**  
Ken Asel  
Betsy Ayers  
Mark Bernal  
Eric Bertelson  
Paul Blumenauer  
Carol Bocker  
Rebecca Bollman  
Shelly Buell  
Holly Buell  
Stan Burch  
Mari Cote  
Meghan Davis  
Melissa Eastman  
Gale  
Amy Glasgow  
Jan Henderson  
Robin Koop  
Ernie LaBelle & Frances Pollak  
Anne Marie Letko  
Ned Leyendecker  
Bonnie Longnion  
Julie Mathes  
Mary Elizabeth  
Sue Mertz  
John Oaks  
Tony Paulus  
Svetlana Polyanskaya  
Jim Ross  
Rob  
Emily & John  
Kelly Sales  
Sue Salzman  
Susie Sheffield  
Shore-Gutierrez Family  
Stephan  
DeeDee Sorsbee  
Mary Talisman  
Thomas  
Nikki Thompson  
Kim Tsamoutales  
Tim Turner  
Jay Varley  
John Vogt  
Jean Webber  
Cindy Windfield

**CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS**

Alicia Assad  
Carter Beise  
John Bickner  
Chris Coleman  
Laura Davenport  
Scott Fossell  
Alex French  
Adair Flynt  
Wayne Glass  
Eva Japel  
Sally Johnson  
Charles Knight  
Kaitlyn Ladao  
Bronwyn Macfarlane  
David Nichols  
Nash Roberts  
Jay Sheffield  
Don Shockey  
Elizabeth Sword  
Catherine Tallichet  
Jay Varley  
Suzanne Whitmore

**CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES**

Clay & Anne Bradley  
Rob & Stacey Caesar  
David & Laura Dandridge  
Jim & Jen Kandolin  
Pat & Barbara McCelvey  
Travis & Christina Owen  
Jim & Robyn Reed  
Steven & Karen Smith  
John & Susie Sheffield

the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*The Clergy Leader and People pray responsively*

*Clergy Leader*

With all our heart and mind, let us pray to God, saying: O God, in your goodness, hear our prayer.

In this time of confusion, vulnerability and uncertainty, let us pray to God.

O God, in your goodness,

**hear our prayer.**

That our spiritual leaders may serve your people in ways that demonstrate your love and healing power, let us pray to God. O God, in your goodness,

**hear our prayer.**

That the leaders of this nation, and all others in authority, may be guided by your Wisdom, and find strength and courage to know and accomplish your purposes in the midst of these troubling times, let us pray to God. O God, in your goodness,

**hear our prayer.**

That all peoples of the earth, especially the most vulnerable among us, be kept safe. Let us pray to God for the special needs of our congregation, especially those on our parish prayer list.

*People may add their petitions silently or aloud at this time.*

O God, in your goodness,  
**hear our prayer.**

That we, your people may find joy in compassion and unity, that we may find new ways to connect and love one another. Let us pray to God in thanksgiving for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries:

O God, in your goodness,  
**hear our prayer.**

That we may have patience as your work in the world unfolds. That we do not fall into despair but rise in hope, let us pray to God. O God, in your goodness,  
**hear our prayer.**

That those who have died may find peace and joy among the communion of saints, let us pray to God.

*People may add their petitions silently or aloud at this time.*

O God, in your goodness,  
**hear our prayer.**

Prayer for the Daughters of the King 30th Anniversary **“I am but one, But I am one. I cannot do everything, but I can do something. Lord, what would you have me do?”**

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a bishop for this Diocese that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Clergy Leader*

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **THE PEACE**

*Clergy Leader*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*

**And also with you.**

## **THE BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING**

Wendy Claire Barrie

God of Wisdom, we give you thanks for schools and classrooms and for the teachers and students who fill them each day. We thank you for this new beginning, for new books and new ideas. We thank you for sharpened pencils, pointy crayons, and crisp blank pages waiting to be filled. We thank you for the gift of making mistakes and trying again. Help us to remember that asking the right questions is as important as giving the right answers. Today we give you thanks for these your children, and we ask you to bless them with curiosity, understanding and respect. May their backpacks be a sign to them that they have everything they need to learn and grow this year in school. May they be guided by your love. All this we ask in the name of Jesus, who as a child in the temple showed his longing to learn about you, and as an adult taught by story and example your great love for us. **Amen.**

## **PRAYER FOR COMMUNION**

**God of Love, we thank you for bringing us together in this place, on this day to honor and to celebrate you and your People, the living, loving Body of Christ. Jesus told his disciples, “Whenever two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.” Bless this gathering as a sacramental rite, a visible sign of your love for us, and our love for one another. Even in the absence of the bread and the wine, let us feed on You, your Son Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit, in our hearts, with faith and thanksgiving. Amen.**

## BLESSING

*The Priest blesses the people*

May our hearts feel the song of the meadowlark, our minds the clearness of the mountain air, and our souls the freedom of the soaring eagle. May our faith be renewed as the creek in spring, may we celebrate the saving redemption of the Cross in all its mysteries, may we always feel the love of the community of Christ. And may the blessing of God Almighty, Creator, Redeemer and Giver of Life, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

## THE DISMISSAL

*Deacon*

Alleluia, Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

## POSTLUDE

Prelude No. 3 (Gershwin)

More about the Daughters of the King 30th Anniversary can be found  
at [stjohnsjackson.org/blog/daughters-of-the-king/](http://stjohnsjackson.org/blog/daughters-of-the-king/)

Need help? Reach out to us confidentially at [beloved@stjohnsjackson.org](mailto:beloved@stjohnsjackson.org)  
call us at 307-733-2603.

Consider giving online for Stewardship Season at [stjohnsjackson.org/stewardship-campaign/](http://stjohnsjackson.org/stewardship-campaign/)  
or text to give at 73256 with the message SJCJackson.



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The Reverend Jimmy Bartz, Rector  
The Reverend Brian Nystrom  
The Reverend Mary Erickson  
The Reverend Suzanne Harris  
Andrew Todd, Interim Music Director  
Kirsten Farney, Music Assistant  
Catherine Morahan, Director of the Children & Youth Community  
Pam Woodson, Parish Life  
Robyn Reed, Director of Operations  
Haley Deming, Communications Director  
Liz Collins, Assistant to the Pastoral Staff  
Stephanie Abbey, Administrative Assistant  
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Lonnie Brown, Browse 'N Buy Manager  
Julie Tobiason, Bright Beginnings Preschool Director