

All Angels Episcopal Church

8:00 & 10:00 am



**Let your light shine before others,
so that they may see your good works
and give glory to your Father in heaven.**

Matthew 5:16

February 5, 2023

Prelude

Reflections of Faith

Rosalie Bonighton

Processional Hymn

O Zion, tune thy voice

1982 Hymnal #543

O Zion, tune thy voice, and raise thy hands on high;
tell all the earth thy joys, and boast salvation nigh.
Cheerful in God, arise and shine, while rays divine stream all abroad.

He gilds thy morning face with beams that cannot fade;
his all-resplendent grace he pours around thy head;
the nations round thy form shall view, with luster new divinely crowned.

In honor to his Name reflect that sacred light;
and loud that grace proclaim, which makes thy darkness bright;
pursue his praise, till sovereign love in worlds above the glory raise.

There on his holy hill a brighter sun shall rise,
and with his radiance fill those fairer purer skies;
while round his throne ten thousand stars in nobler spheres his influence own.

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Jesus said, "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid.
The one who lights a lamp puts it on the lampstand and it gives light to all in the house.
In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good
works and give glory to your Father in heaven." *Mt. 5:14-16*

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, Perfect Light of revelation and love, as you shine in the life of Jesus, so
shine through us that we may become beacons of generosity and compassion, through
our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons *Please be seated for the reading of the lessons*

Introduction: Today's reading is a dialog between the prophet Isaiah, the people he
serves, and God. The people are concerned that God is no longer responding to the
rituals of fasting and prayer. Hear now what God calls to be done in every generation.

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Isaiah 58:3-9

They say, “We fast to show honor to you. Why don’t you see us? We starve our bodies to show honor to you. Why don’t you notice us?”

But God says, “You do things to please yourselves on those special days of fasting. And you punish your servants, not your own bodies. You are hungry, but not for food. You are hungry for arguing and fighting, not for bread. You are hungry to hit people with your hands. This is not the way to fast if you want your prayers to be heard in heaven! Do you think I want to see people punish their bodies on those days of fasting? Do you think I want people to look sad and bow their heads like dead plants? Do you think I want people to wear mourning clothes and sit in ashes to show their sadness? That is what you do on your days of fasting. Do you think that is what the Lord wants?”

“I will tell you the kind of day I want — a day to set people free. I want a day that you take the burdens off others. I want a day when you set troubled people free and you take the burdens from their shoulders. I want you to share your food with the hungry. I want you to find people who don’t have homes and find them shelter. When you see people who need clothes, give them your clothes! Don’t hide from others when they need help.”

If you do these things, your light will begin to shine like the light of dawn. Then your wounds will heal. Goodness will walk in front of you, and the Glory of the Lord will come following behind you. Then you will call to the Lord, and he will answer you. You will cry out to him, and he will say, “Here I am.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 112:1-4

Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord
and have great delight in his commandments.

Their descendants will be mighty in the land;
the generation of the upright will be blessed.

Wealth and riches will be in their house,
and their righteousness will last for ever.

Light shines in the darkness for the upright;
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.

A reading from the Letter to the Church in Corinth

1 Cor. 2:1-12

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I didn’t come preaching God’s secrets to you like I was an expert in speech or wisdom. I had made up my mind not to think about anything while I was with you except Jesus Christ, and to preach him as crucified.

I stood in front of you with weakness, fear, and a lot of shaking. My message and my preaching were not presented with convincing wise words but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power. I did this so that your faith might not depend on the wisdom of people but on the power of God.

What we say is wisdom to people who are mature. It is not a wisdom that comes from the present day or from today's leaders who are being reduced to nothing. We talk about God's wisdom, which has been hidden as a secret. God determined this wisdom in advance, before time began, for our glory. It is a wisdom that none of the present-day rulers have understood, because if they did understand it, they would never have crucified the Lord of glory! But this is precisely what is written:

God has prepared things for those who love him that no eye has seen, or ear has heard, or that haven't crossed the mind of any human being.

God has revealed these things to us through the Spirit. The Spirit searches everything, including the depths of God. Who knows a person's depths except their own spirit that lives in them? In the same way, no one has known the depths of God except God's Spirit. We haven't received the world's spirit but God's Spirit so that we can know the things given to us by God. These are the things we are talking about—not with words taught by human wisdom but with words taught by the Spirit—we are interpreting spiritual things to spiritual people.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn *Be Thou My Vision*

Hymnal #488

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
all else be nought to me, save that thou art
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;

I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;

thou my great Father; thine own may I be;
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew *MT 5:13-20*

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished.

Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

High King of heaven, when victory is won,
may I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun!

Heart of my heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

The Sermon

The Rev. David Marshall

The Nicene Creed *Please stand as you are able*

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, 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 *Please be seated*

Let us pray that the light of Christ may shine upon the Church, the world and all people according to their need. *A brief silence*

On the Jordan's bank John proclaimed Jesus as the Lamb of God, witnessed the heavens opening, and the Spirit descending and remaining upon him. Bless the Church, and all those who have been baptized, to bring your mercy and peace to all.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Put your Spirit upon the leaders of every nation. Give them the wisdom and the will to protect and provide for their people. Make them prefer mercy over might.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Keep in your care all who take up arms in defense of liberty and justice for all.

Give them a spirit of wisdom and understanding. Bring them safely home, and speed the day when deeds of war are done no more, especially in Ukraine.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

O Sun of Righteousness, arise with healing in your wings and bestow the light of your salvation upon all who sit in the darkness of suffering. Especially we pray for Downs IV, Holden, Tyler, Barbara, Anne, Victoria, BJ and John. For those going through cancer treatments, especially, Georgiana, Margaret, Bill, Downs III, Victoria, Alex, Connie and Douglas. And, for those under the care of skilled nursing, especially Timothy, Barbara, Kim and Mary Ann. *Silence*

Restore them to life and hope; encourage all who care for them; lead them into the brightness of your presence and the company of all who love them.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

On this day, help us to remember with joy all those for whom we love but see no longer. With the power of the Holy Spirit, comfort all who grieve. *Silence*

Grant that all who have passed through the waters of Baptism, may walk the broken pathways of this mortal life, refreshed by your Spirit.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Stay near us, Lord Jesus, and love us and guide us throughout our lives. Bless us with your love, so we may be a blessing to others and bring all your dear children to live with you forever in the holy light of your love, which you have eternally with your Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and unto the ages of ages.

AMEN.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant:

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 peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Greetings, Announcements and Introductions

Offertory *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

Elderkin

Hark! The herald angels sing, Jesus, the light of the world;
Glory to the Christ-child bring, Jesus the light of the world.

Refrain:

We will follow the light, beautiful light, come where the dewdrops of mercy are bright,
Shine all around us by day and by night, Jesus, the light of the world.

Joyful, all you saints arise, Jesus the light of the world;
Join the triumph of the skies, Jesus the light of the world. *Refrain*

Christ, by highest heaven adored, Jesus the light of the world:
Christ the everlasting Word, Jesus the light of the world. *Refrain*

Hail the Bearer of God's peace! Jesus the light of the world:
Hail the Sun of righteousness! Jesus the light of the world. *Refrain*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise him all creatures here below,
Praise him above ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **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:

Sanctus – S129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
 might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ has risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.**

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

**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, and the power,
and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Hymns

Let Us Break Bread Together

#325

- 1 Let us break bread together on our knees; when I fall on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.
- 2 Let us drink wine together on our knees; when I fall on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.
- 3 Let us praise God together on our knees; when I fall on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

God Be in My Head

#694

God be in my head, and in my understanding;
God be in mine eyes, and in my looking;
God be in my mouth, and in my speaking;
God be in my heart, and in my thinking;
God be at mine end, and at my departing.

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn

Thy Strong Word Did Cleave the Darkness

1982 Hymnal #381



1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; at thy speak - ing
2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, dark as night and
3 Thy strong word be - speaks us right - eous; bright with thine own
4 God the Fa - ther, Light - Cre - a - tor, to thee laud and

it was done; for cre - at - ed light we thank thee,
deep as death, broke the light of thy sal - va - tion,
ho - li - ness, glo - rious now, we press toward glo - ry,
hon - or be; to thee, Light of Light be - got - ten,

while thine or - dered sea - sons run: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
breathed thine own life - giv - ing breath: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
and our lives our hopes con - fess: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
praise be sung e - ter - nal - ly; Ho - ly Spi - rit, Light - Re -

lu - ia! Praise to thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
lu - ia! Praise to thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
lu - ia! Praise to thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
veal - er, glo - ry, glo - ry be to thee; mor - tals, an - gels,

al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
now and ev - er praise the Ho - ly Tri - ni - ty.

The Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia

Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia

Postlude

Carry the Light of Christ

Christopher Uehlein, OSG

New to All Angels? Welcome! Be sure to sign the guest registry in the lobby.

Announcements

New to You Art Sale Gallery hours for February

Monday -Thursday 9am-1pm, Sunday 11am-3pm. **Please invite your friends.**

All proceeds from New to You Art Sale will go to the family who will be purchasing a home through the Habitat for Humanity program.

Visit from Habitat for Humanity: Join us on February 5th when Emily Lane, from Habitat for Humanity, Johntrice, and her children, Promice & Rylain, this year's chosen recipient for our New to Art Sale proceeds will be visiting us at the 10:00 service. This is an exciting time for us. Please plan to be here.

Contributions Presentation On Sunday, February 12th at Coffee Hour, we will hear an informative presentation by Russ Callahan about a valuable option for making contributions from an IRA or other pre-tax investment. He will outline the advantage of making a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) to All Angels or other non-profit charity.

Annual Meeting Sunday Feb. 19th 11:30, Sarasota Yacht Club. Cost is \$30 per person. Sign up sheet is on the Gallery table.

Join the Handbell Choir. Rehearsals are on Thursdays at 11:15 am. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the Gallery. Former ringers and new ringers are most welcome. Come and be part of the Music Ministry at All Angels – ALL ARE WELCOME!

Men's and Women's Discussion Group Men's Discussion group, 10:00 on Tuesdays; Women's Discussion Group, 10:00 on Wednesdays. Both groups in-person and via Zoom.

Coffee Hour Host One of the most important things we do is gather after the service for coffee hour. If you are interested in hosting, the sign up sheet is on the Gallery table. If you would like help, sign up and we will find someone to show you how it is done.

Centering Prayer Centering Prayer invites you to pray with them, every day, at 8 am, wherever you are. When you enter into prayer at 8 am (Eastern), you will know that others are praying at the same time.

Birthdays & Anniversaries If you have a birthday or anniversary coming up next month, please email Linn Torres at lt@allangelslbk.org

Visit our Website Video of Today's Service, Discussion Group Articles, Gallery Artist, and our weekly Tidings can all be found on our website: www.allangelslbk.org.

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Our mission is to bring the living Christ to those
inside and outside the church.

Today's presenters

8:00 am

Barbara Pickrell — Chalice

David Beliles — Lector

Luanne Collins — Prayers

Dave Bishop — Usher

10:00 am

Ed Upshaw, Bob Erker — Chalice

Justus Doenecke — Lector

Pam Toft — Prayers

Graham Toft, Ginny Upshaw — Ushers

Ethan Marshall — Acolyte

Elijah Marshall — A/V tech

Scott Wuesthoff — Zoom host

Judy Reed — Altar Guild

Gloria Detwiler — Flowers

Paul Wood, Laurel Vaughn — Offering Counter

Bev Henry, Brian and Natalie Davis — Coffee Hour

David Stasney — Organist

The Rev. Dave Marshall

The Rev. Fred Emrich

The Rev. Maggie Gat

Vestry

Cathie Wilt, *Senior Warden*

Ginny Upshaw, *Junior Warden*

Sandy Wood, *Treasurer*

Barbara Pickrell

Hank Kochan

Larry Elder

Jerry Bowles

Cade Sibley

The Rev. David J. Marshall, *Rector*

Reflection

Human Encounter

One of Ethan and Elijah's favorite children's books was *Humphrey, the Lost Whale: A True Story*, by Richard Hall and Wendy Tokuda. In 1985, a migrating humpback whale mistakenly entered San Francisco Bay and swam sixty-four miles up the Sacramento River. The fresh water environment cannot support a 40-foot whale and, after a few days, physical distress was showing on the mammal including graying skin and listless behavior; he appeared to be dying. With the assistance of numerous fish and wildlife agencies, the U.S. Navy, the Army's 481st Transportation Company, and hundreds of spectators lining the river, Humphrey, as the whale was named, finally made it back to the Bay and entered the ocean under the Golden Gate bridge.

To a much smaller degree, a similar effort was made this past week to free a lone young dolphin who accidentally took a wrong turn into Allen's Creek in Clearwater and couldn't find his way back out. A team of 28 marine biologists from various agencies came to the rescue. This past Friday, the Clearwater Marine Aquarium's rescue team joined with its partners at National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Fisheries Management and the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to create a human chain to coax the wayward dolphin back to the safety of open waters. The dolphin was first sighted in the first week of January. It was stuck behind a short, tight bridge that the dolphin didn't want to go back through.

A plan was conceived of how to save this dolphin – a human wall of people will be used to shepherd the mammal to open water. 28 people in wetsuits, standing shoulder to shoulder, created a man-made barrier. Moving at slow, steady pace, they began to walk the dolphin back to the bridge. At each obstacle – an overhanging tree or a dock – the team would mold themselves around and keep the line unbroken. A rowboat kept watch from behind the line to tell the team when the dolphin was swimming near to make sure there were no avenues to escape. The spotter said, "As we were getting closer to the bridge, the dolphin made a quick turnaround toward the line and, for a second, we were worried that maybe he had broken through, but actually, after the quick turnaround, as we looked through the bridge, we could see him displacing water; and then, just on the other side the bridge, we saw his dorsal fin come up." At that point, the biologists began cheering and applauding.



The Gospel lesson for this Sunday highlights this phrase from Jesus: you are the light of the world. How we live that light out can be in many, many different ways. Some would consider being the light as helping someone to find faith in God. Others would see the light as being environmental stewards. And yet others live out the "light" by donating or buying art at our New to You Art Sale. Regardless of how we live it out, I receive the light of hope through stories of human cooperation in helping a different species find their way home. To me, that too is the being the light of the world.

- Rev. Dave