

Whoever you are, wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are welcome here.

Saint Jude's is a spiritual oasis where lives are transformed.



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Service Worship Sunday

January 14, 2018

The First Sunday after the Epiphany

9:15 am

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Welcome

Welcome visitors! We're happy you're here today. Please sign the guest iPad or connection card at the greeters table near the front entrance so we can get to know you better.

Please keep the following people in your prayers: Do you need prayers? Email: prayers@saintjudes.org

Our liturgy at St Jude's is taken from the Episcopal Book of Common Prayer and the Enriching our Worship series, authorized for use in our diocese by Bishop Mary Gray-Reeves. The prayer of meditation found on the inside cover, prayers of the people and the blessing are drawn from these and other sources, including the New Zealand Book of Common Prayer, Feasting on the Word Worship Companion: Liturgies for Year B, edited by Kimberley Bracken Long, and Worship for All Seasons, edited by Thomas Harding.

◆ Those who are able shall stand.

Boldface type indicates responses by the people.



Welcome & Announcements

Wilma Jakobsen

Hymn: *“Lead me, Guide me”*

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◆ **The Liturgy of the Word**

◆ Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy and living God

People: Glory to God for ever and ever.

◆ Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

◆ Collect

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, by the hand of Moses your servant you led your people out of slavery, and made them free at last: Grant that your Church, following the example of your prophet Martin Luther King, may resist oppression in the name of your love, and may secure for all your children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

◆ The Lesson: Luke 6:27–36

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.

After the lesson the reader says: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People: Thanks be to God.

Homily

Sarah Lapenta-H

◆Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the world, the universal church, its members and its mission. **Let justice roll down.**

We pray for those who are ill, those who suffer or are in trouble, including...help us to feel that all of us are tied together in one destiny. **Let justice roll down.**

We pray for the welfare of the world, including...give us the courage to work for your justice and not grow weary. **Let justice roll down.**

We pray for those who have died, including...Help us to see your face, Lord, in all those people who affirm and challenge our better nature. **Let love rise up.**

We give thanks for our many blessings, including...pull us from our fears and help us to engage in life. **Let love rise up.**

Strengthen our will to be your servants and follow your call. **Let love rise up.**

God of all life, call us from our preoccupations with ourselves. Draw us toward your vision of the heavenly city, that your Church may be a beacon for peace, justice, and for wholeness for all people. In the name of the risen Christ, we pray. Amen.

◆Commissioning Prayer

Creator God, we give you thanks for your love for the world and everything in it. Loving Jesus, help us today to be your hands and feet, and to show your compassion to all those we meet, and in the tasks we complete for others, to show your love. Holy Spirit, energize us today with your strength and help us to love like Jesus. Grace us with your presence in all we do and say. Send us out now with joy, to live out our faith in action. In Jesus name, **Amen.**

◆The Dismissal

Minister: Let us go forth into the world, ready to serve our neighbors!

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sing while exiting to the various projects.

“This Little Light of Mine”

- 1 This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
- 2 Ev'ry where I go, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
- 3 Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
4. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.