

St. Luke's Episcopal Church
The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

7 February 2021 ✕ 10:00 A.M.

Holy Eucharist

The Reverend Allison Caudill, *Celebrant & Preacher*

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

"Gabriel's Oboe"
Scott Sams, oboe

Ennio Morricone

First Hymn

“Immortal, invisible, God only wise”

Hymnal, 423

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3 To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry, thou rul - est in light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
 in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 we blos - som and flour - ish, like leaves on the tree,
 all laud we would ren - der: O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - tor - ious, thy great Name we praise.
 thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 then with - er and per - ish; but nought chan - geth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

Words: Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908), alt.
 Music: *St. Denio*, Welsh hymn, from *Caniadau y Cyssegr*; 1839; adapt. John Roberts (1822-1877); harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906, alt.

The 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 of Purity

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The Gloria: S-280 in the Hymnal 1982



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. 6. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One,
 you a-lone are the Lord, 7. you a-lone are the Most
 High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the
 glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

The Salutation & Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son 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 First Lesson

Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and

numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

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

Psalm 147:1-12, 21c

Plainsong

¹ Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises to our God! *
how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!

² The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem; *
he gathers the exiles of Israel.

³ He heals the brokenhearted *
and binds up their wounds.

⁴ He counts the number of the stars *
and calls them all by their names.

⁵ Great is our LORD and mighty in power; *
there is no limit to his wisdom.

⁶ The LORD lifts up the lowly, *
but casts the wicked to the ground.

⁷ Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; *
make music to our God upon the harp.

⁸ He covers the heavens with clouds *
and prepares rain for the earth;

- ⁹ He makes grass to grow upon the mountains *
and green plants to serve mankind.
- ¹⁰ He provides food for flocks and herds *
and for the young ravens when they cry.
- ¹¹ He is not impressed by the might of a horse; *
he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;
- ¹² But the LORD has pleasure in those who fear him, *
in those who await his gracious favour.
- ²¹ He has not done so to any other nation; *
to them he has not revealed his judgments. Hallelujah!

The Second Lesson

I Corinthians 9:16-23

If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel. For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Sequence

“In Christ there is no East or West”

Hymnal, 529

Unison or harmony

The musical score is written for three voices (1, 2, 3) and piano accompaniment. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line with three parts and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are: 1 In Christ there is no East or West, in 2 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what - 3 In Christ now meet both East and West, in him no South or North, but one great fel - low - e'er your race may be! Who serves my Fa - ther him meet South and North, all Christ - ly souls are ship of love through - out the whole wide earth. as his child is sure - ly kin to me. one in him, through - out the whole wide earth.

Words: John Oxenham (1852-1941), alt.

Music: *McKee*, Afro-American spiritual; adapt. and harm. Harry T. Burleigh (1866-1949)

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The people remain standing. The Celebrant says

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them. That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

After the reading, the Celebrant says

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

Said by all, standing

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, Form I

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With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Terry, our Bishop, for Michael, Allison, Anne, Art, and Jim, our clergy, for all clergy, and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Joseph our President, Andy our Governor, and Neil & Greg our Mayors, for the leaders of the Nations, and let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this village of Anchorage, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel on land, on water, in the air, or through outer space, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering especially: **Al, Allen, Amanda, Amy, Ann, Annie, Beecher, Bethann, Beverly, Bill, Braxton, Bud, Calvin Riley, Carol, Charles, Christy, Dave, David, Diana, Doug, E.J., Eleanor, Elizabeth, Erma, Gene, Hugh, Ira, Jackie, Jen, Jenni, Jerry, Jewell, Jim, Joan, Joe, John, Joyce, Karen, Kelly, Ken, Laura, Lauren, Lee, Linda, Lisette, Liz, London, Lynn, Martha, Marty, Mary, Matt, Meg, Mike, Milo, Monica, Morgan, Nancy, Nina (Nine-ah), Patricia, Phil, Rob, Ronald, Rueben, Sandy, Sherrie, Stefanie, Steve, Sue, Susan, Susie, Terry, Tim, Tracy, Trent, Ursula, Vicki, Walt, Whitney, Wynn; for the men and women of our armed forces, especially Alex, Bianca, Casey, Christian, Griffin, Pat, Seth, Sinclair, Steve,** let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, .., and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of Luke and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Silence.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

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Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All **Most merciful God, 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 neighbors 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

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

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:

Celebrant and people

Sanctus: S-129 in the Hymnal 1982

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._____

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death.
We proclaim his resurrection.
We await his coming in glory.**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Mary the Mother of God, St. Luke, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

(sung) 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 forever. *Amen.*

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

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Fraction Anthem: S-155 in the Hymnal 1982

Fraction Anthem: Christ our Passover

This setting is not used in Lent.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Setting: Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)

A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion. We invite you to join us in this prayer wherever you are.

A Prayer from the St. Augustine Prayer Book

As the celebrant receives the elements of Communion, the congregation says aloud this prayer

All Jesus, my Savior, I ask you to come into my heart and fill me with your love. Although I cannot physically join with others to celebrate the Eucharist today, I desire to offer my thanksgivings and prayers in union with all who worship you, wherever they may be. And although I cannot receive you now sacramentally in the bread and wine of Holy Communion, still I desire to receive your body and blood spiritually and feed on your love, that I may be united with you and with all your people in one communion and fellowship, your mystical body the church, now and ever more. Amen.

Communion Hymn "There's a wideness in God's mercy" Hymnal, 469



1 There's a wide - ness in God's mer - cy like the wide - ness
 2 There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than
 3 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sure



of the sea; there's a kind - ness in his jus -
 up in heaven; there is no place where earth's fail -
 of the mind; and the heart of the E - ter -



tice, which is more than lib - er - ty. There is wel - come
 ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given. There is plen - ti -
 nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind. If our love were



for the sin - ner, and more gra - ces for the good; there is mer - cy
 ful re - demp - tion in the blood that has been shed; there is joy for
 but more faith - ful, we should take him at his word; and our life would



with the Sa - vior; there is heal - ing in his blood.
 all the mem - bers in the sor - rows of the Head.
 be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.



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The Blessing

The Final Hymn "Thy strong word did cleave the darkness" 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 Alleluias in stanzas 1-3 may be sung antiphonally.

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Music: *Ton-y-Boel*, Thomas John Williams (1869-1944)

The Dismissal

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

“Sonata in F - Allegro”

G. F. Handel

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Luke's Music Series offers two voice recitals

On **Sunday February 14 at 3:30 pm** tenor Dylan Crain will present a recital of lieder and arias, with Lisa Lewis, pianist. A wonderful program with works by Robert Schumann, Hugo Wolf, Samuel Barber, Leonard Bernstein, Roger Quilter, J. S. Bach and Giacomo Puccini on Valentine's Day!!

On **Sunday March 14 at 3:30 pm** soprano Emily Albrink will present a recital with David George, pianist. Details forthcoming!

Both these events are "virtual" recitals, so you can relax and listen in the comfort of your own homes. Mark your calendars to be sure to listen in!

2021 Stewardship & Offering Envelopes

It is not too late to submit your pledge (a commitment to a specified amount of financial giving) to the ministry of St Luke's for 2021! Please be in touch with our bookkeeper, Judy, at bookkeeper@stlukesanchorage.org to make or update your pledge for 2021. You have many options for giving, including by mail, by automatic draft from your preferred bank account, and by our online giving portal.

If you would like to make your financial gifts by mail, we need to mail Offering Envelopes out to those who want them. Please let Dawn know at admin@stlukesanchorage.org, should you want a pack of envelopes for 2021.

Ash Wednesday Liturgy

The community of St Luke's will participate in a livestreamed Ash Wednesday liturgy to begin the Lenten season on Wednesday, February 17th at 7 pm. This liturgy can be found on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/StLukesAnchorage>

Keep an eye on our announcements and your email inbox for other events and liturgies to come during Lent and Holy Week!

Wednesday AM Lenten Bible Study!

Our Wednesday Morning Bible Study **returns on Ash Wednesday, February 17th at 9:45 am.** Please join us via Zoom every Wednesday during Lent at 9:45 am to discuss a chapter of The Path, a Bible Study published by Forward Movement and much beloved by our Thursday Night group. Because we are not able to hand out books at the church office during this time, we are asking that all those who wish to participate acquire a personal copy of the book. If you need financial assistance, please be in touch with Mother Allison at associate@stlukesanchorage.org so that she can assist you in obtaining a copy. You'll find links below to purchase a copy of the book, so that you can follow along with us in this Lenten practice of studying scripture in community!

The book can be ordered in either paper copy or Kindle format from Amazon via this link: https://www.amazon.com/Path-Journey-Through-Bible-English/dp/0880284358/ref=sr_1_1?dchild=1&keywords=the+path+forward+movement&qid=1611780422&sr=8-1

A PDF of the book from the publisher can be found here: <https://www.forwardmovement.org/promotions/PDF/ThePathPDF.pdf>

The Zoom link, which will be the same each week, is here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81267113936>

Sunday Altar Flower Memorials for 2021

It's time to schedule 2021 altar flower memorials. **Look for an email with updated available dates on Monday.** Please contact Dawn at the church office at admin@stlukesanchorage.org.

Thursday Night Bible Study

The Basics of the Bible Study continues on Thursday evenings with Mother Allison! We are using The Path to guide our study, but all you need is a Bible and access to the internet to join us. We are gathering every Thursday evening from 6:45-7:45 on Zoom to discuss the foundational stories of our faith and to explore how these stories connect to our own journeys. Please follow this link on Thursdays at 6:45 to join us!

Contemporary Anglican Theologians – Sunday 9am Class

Please join us Sunday mornings, 9:00, as we have begun a new series.

There are several Anglican (including many Episcopalian) theologians who have written during our lifetime, most of them are still working. They have written some fascinating ideas that enrich our understanding of God, Jesus, the Church and spirituality. Their work has added clarity, insight and depth to Anglican Christianity. We will be spending the next couple of months discussing these theologians and their ideas.

For more information, email Dave Kirchinger at episcopaliandave@gmail.com.

The link to the class is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85144530030> / Meeting ID: **851 4453 0030**
If prompted to enter a password, please enter our parish office phone number - 2458827

Centering Prayer

Centering Prayer is TWICE a month, every 2nd and 4th Tuesday. Join us on **February 9th and 16th from 6 – 7pm** on ZOOM until we can all join back in the Lyman Office.

Link to Centering Prayer Group: <https://zoom.us/j/85280543522>

Meeting ID: 852 8054 3522

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Birthdays & Anniversaries

If you've had a birthday or anniversary over the past several weeks, or have one coming up in the weeks ahead, please let Dawn know, admin@stlukesanchorage.org. Let her know your birthday, or the date of your wedding anniversary and how many years you've been married, and we will offer a blessing over you during our recorded worship.

In our prayers ... for Al, Allen, Amanda, Amy, Ann, Annie, Beecher, Bethann, Beverly, Bill, Braxton, Bud, Calvin Riley, Carol, Charles, Christy, Dave, David, Diana, Doug, E.J., Eleanor, Elizabeth, Erma, Gene, Hugh, Ira, Jackie, Jen, Jenni, Jerry, Jewell, Jim, Joan, Joe, John, Joyce, Karen, Kelly, Ken, Laura, Lauren, Lee, Linda, Lisette, Liz, London, Lynn, Martha, Marty, Mary, Matt, Meg, Mike, Milo, Monica, Morgan, Nancy, Nina (Nine-ah), Patricia, Phil, Rob, Ronald, Rueben, Sandy, Sherrie, Stefanie, Steve, Sue, Susan, Susie, Terry, Tim, Tracy, Trent, Ursula, Vicki, Walt, Whitney, Wynn; and our men and women serving in our armed forces and their families. We offer prayers of blessing and thanksgiving for all men and women serving in the armed services, especially these persons known to us: **Alex, Bianca, Casey, Christian, Griffin, Pat, Seth, Sinclair, Steve.** We pray that they have safe journeys and know the loving concern of friends and family. May God watch over them and grant them strength and courage to face perils which beset them.

Readings for:

**February 14: 2 Kings 2:1-12; Psalm 50:1-6;
Last Epiphany II Corinthians 4:3-6; Mark 9:2-9.**