



GARROWBY BENEFICE

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY
A Service of the Word

Welcome & Introduction

As if this were the only time, and this the only place, and we the only people

All Jesus Christ will meet us

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All Let us worship God

Hymn: Be still for the presence of the Lord

Confession and Absolution

Our Lord Jesus Christ said, the first commandment is this “Hear O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength.

The second commandment is this, Love your neighbour as yourself, there is no other commandment greater than these”

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God’s commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

All Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ we confess that we have sinned in thought word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are and direct what we shall be that we may do justly, love mercy and walk humbly with you our God.

Almighty God who forgives all who truly repent have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Collect

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit: grant to us who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All Amen.

Ministry of the Word

May God guide each of us in the way of Christ
Whatever our age or experience
May the love of God speak to us all

The New Testament Reading: 1 Corinthians 1 1-9

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, to the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind - just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you - so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

This is the Word of the lord

All: Thanks be to God

Hymn: I the Lord of Sea and Sky

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 1 29-42

All Glory to you O Lord

The next day he saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me." I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.' And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit." And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.'

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, 'Look, here is the Lamb of God!' The

two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you staying?' He said to them, 'Come and see.' They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas' (which is translated Peter).

This is the gospel of the Lord

All Praise to you O Christ

Sermon

Hymn: Will you come and follow me?

Intercessions

THE LORDS PRAYER

**All Our Father, which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done in earth,
As it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive them that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
The power, and the glory,
For ever and ever.
Amen.**

THE PEACE

Christ is our peace. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold everything has become new (*2 Corinthians 5.17*)

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All And also with you

Concluding Prayers & Blessing

In gratitude, in deep gratitude for this moment and one another we give ourselves to you. Take us out to live as changed people because meeting with you we cannot remain the same. Ask much of us, expect much from us, enable much by us, encourage many through us. So Lord may we live to your glory both as inhabitants of the earth and citizens of the commonwealth of Heaven.

All Amen

May God the Father, who led the wise men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the light from light, lead you also in your pilgrimage to find the Lord. Amen

May God the Son, who turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana, transform your lives and make glad your hearts.

All Amen

May God the Holy Spirit who came upon the beloved Son at his baptism in the river Jordan, pour out His gifts on you who have come to the waters of new birth.

All Amen

And the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit rest upon you, your homes and all whom you love, now and forever.

All Amen

Hymn: On Eagles Wings