The First Lesson

Isaiah 6:1-13

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!" [And he said, "Go and say to this people:

'Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand.' Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds, and turn and be healed."

Then I said, "How long, O Lord?"

And he said: "Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is utterly desolate; until the Lord sends everyone far away, and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land. Even if a tenth part remain in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak whose stump remains standing when it is felled." The holy seed is its stump.]

The Psalm Psalm 138 Confitebor tibi

- I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I will sing your praise.
- I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, because of your love and faithfulness;
- For you have glorified your Name and your word above all things.
- When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me.
- 5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, when they have heard the words of your mouth.

- 6 They will sing of the ways of the Lord, that great is the glory of the Lord.
- 7 Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; he perceives the haughty from afar.
- Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.
- The Lord will make good his purpose for me; O Lord, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

Said together:

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Second Lesson I Corinthians 15:1-11

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you-unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them--though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

<u>Hymn</u> Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim **H 535**

Gospel Lesson Luke 5:1-11

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and

let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.



The Sermon

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Written about 325 AD, this is the ancient statement of our faith

Prayers of the People IV

We pray together as the people of God

BCP 388

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Confession & Absolution BCP 360

We confess our sins and are reassured of our pardon

The Peace We share the joy of the Good News!

The Liturgy of the Eucharist, sometimes called the Mass

Offertory O Love of God Most Full Young

Presentation of Gifts and Tithes

To God the Father, heavenly Light To Christ, revealed in earthly night To God the Holy Ghost we raise Our equal and unceasing praise

from Hymn 124 v. 5

Eucharistic Prayer "A"	· ·	BCP 361
Sanctus	Words in BCP, Musical Setting	H-S129
Memorial Acclamation	Words in BCP, Musical Setting	H-S132
The Lord's Prayer	Traditional version, found on	BCP 364
Fraction Anthem		H-S 152

The Distribution of the Holy Sacrament

All baptized Christians, of any tradition, are welcome to receive the sacrament. Everyone, regardless of faith, is welcome to receive a blessing—simply cross your arms in front of you as the priest comes by. It is the tradition of this parish that 12 to 14 people at a time receive Communion at the altar rail, at which point all are dismissed together to return to their seats, and another group may move forward to the rail. Gluten free wafers are available to those who request them.

Communion Hymns

	H 311
My God, thy table now is spread	11 221
	H 321
Let all mortal flesh keep silence	H 324
Our Prayer after Communion BC	P 365
<u>Hymn</u> Come, thou fount of every blessing	H 686

The Dismissal

We are dismissed from this gathering to go into the world to spread the Good News and the love of Christ! We respond to this instruction with: *Thanks be to God!*

The Altar Flowers are given today by Kathy Burge in memory of loved ones.

Attendance Last Sunday

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Participants in Today's Liturgy

<u>Acolyte</u>	Rob Merritt		Ben Slater
Chalicist	Alyson Bowling		Rob Merritt
<u>Lector</u>	Mike Lilly		Alyson Bowling
Altar Guild	Linda Ammar	Mimi Merritt	Emma Slater

Please Keep the Following in Your Prayers

Dorene Dimes, Wanda Myers, Bonnie Taylor, Joe Sanders, Marlene, Lee Puckett, Sr., Alex B., Toni R., Jared Cregger, Kerrigan Farmer, Lindsey Parsley, Daisy Bowman, Ellie Spencer, Sue Godwin, Mabeline & Elton Robinson, Ann Richardson, Sherry Mitchell, Carrie D., Sharon Cranfill,, George Strike, Levertt T., Bea Paine, Frankie Sparks, Audrey, Denny Arner, Charlotte Woolwine, Lynn Burney, Bob Waschler, Elizabeth Kane, Marilyn Denney, Judy Anderson,

Debbie Wells, Paul Anderson, The Boggess and extended Concord University family, Ruby, Debbie & Jerry, Ed Arnett, Debbie Faber, Michelle Parks

Following our service will be Coffee Hour, hosted today by the Merritt Family. This is a time for us to have fellowship, share our joys and sorrows, and get to know one another. It is very much an extension of the communal feast we share in the Holy Eucharist. Please join us!

Calendar of Events

Sunday – February 10 Altar Guild Meeting after Coffee Hour Tuesday – February 12 DOK meeting 10am Wednesday – February 13 Dinner at Union Mission 3pm-5pm Sunday – February 17 Parish Life Meeting after Coffee Hour Food Pantry bagging groceries after church Wednesday – February 20 ECM Dinner 6pm Vestry 7pm Thursday – February 21 Food Pantry 9-11am Wednesday – February 27 Chili Cook-Off at Union Mission

Announcements:

Altar Guild Meeting: There will be a meeting of all Altar Guild members on Sunday, February 10th, after coffee hour. If you are unable to attend please see Linda Ammar to schedule the months you would like to serve. Thank you.

<u>Parish Life Meeting:</u> There will be a Parish Life Meeting on February 17th after coffee hour in St. Mary's Conference Room. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex if you are interested in this very important committee.

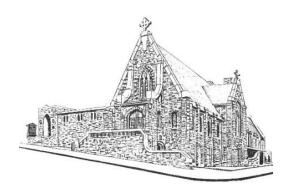
Needing Coffee Hour Help: We are in desperate need of Coffee Hour volunteers! Please contact Mary Catherine Williams or sign up at the coffee station.

<u>2nd Annual CEC Chili Cook-Off</u>: Make your best pot of chili to be judged by the Union Mission staff as we make dinner for those hungry in our community! Bring all pots of chili to the mission at 4 pm to be judged!

Clergy, Staff, and Wardens of this Parish

The Rev. Chad Slater	Rector
Ms. Emma Bennett	Parish Administrator
Mr. Terry E. Whittington, Jr.	Organist & Choirmaster
Mrs. Vanessa Hall	Sexton
Mrs. Becky Beckett	Senior Warden
Mr. Tom Coughlan	Junior Warden





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The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

Welcome to this Place of Prayer

If you are new or visiting this congregation for the first time we invite you to fill out a Visitor's Card (found on the rack in front of you) and place it in the collect plate as it is passed. We are honored you have chosen to worship with us today and hope that you will continue your faith journey here.

This bulletin will help guide you through today's service. The abbreviation "H" stands for "Hymnal." This is the larger red book located on the shelf in front of you. That music noted as "H-S" followed by a number is service music, and is found in the very first pages of the Hymnal. "BCP" is our abbreviation for "Book of Common Prayer," which is the smaller red book.

The Liturgy of the Word

Hymn Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! H 362

The Service Begins
Gloria in Excelsis

BCP 355
H-S 280

The text to this ancient hymn of praise is found in the BCP

The Collect

Our collective prayer for the day.

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.