



**GARROWBYBENEFICE**

Epiphany 3  
Service of the Word

## Welcome Greeting

Blessed are you, Lord God, King of the universe

**All From the rising of the sun to its setting, your name is proclaimed in all the world**

The glory of the Lord be with you

**All The Lord bless you**

*Hymn: O love that will not let me go*

## Call to worship

Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the Universe: to you be praise and glory for ever! As gold in the furnace is tried and purified seven times in the fire so purify our hearts and minds that we may be a royal priesthood acceptable in the service of our kingdom

**All Blessed be God forever**

Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the Universe: to you be praise and glory for ever! As our prayer rises up in your presence as incense, so may we be presented before you with penitent hearts and uplifted hands to offer ourselves in your priestly service

**All Blessed be God forever**

Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the Universe: to you be praise and glory for ever! As you give medicine to heal our sickness and the leaves of the tree of life for the healing of the nations, so anoint us with your healing power that we may be the first fruits of your new creation

**All Blessed be God forever**

## Confession

The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own

*(based on Titus 2 11-14)*

Let us confess our sins *(a moment of quiet to reflect on our lives)*

God be gracious to us and bless us, and make your face to shine upon us:

Lord have mercy

**All Lord have mercy**

Make your ways be known on the earth, your saving power among the nations:

Christ have mercy

**All Christ have mercy**

You Lord have made known your salvation, and reveal your justice in the sight of the nations

Lord have mercy

**All Lord have mercy**

May the God of all healing and forgiveness draw you to himself, and cleanse you from all your sins that you may behold the glory of His Son, the word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## Collect

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Readings

As we prepare to explore God's word let us pray together

**All 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.**

### A reading from 1 Corinthians 1 10-18

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you should be in agreement and that there should be no divisions among you, but that you should be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, 'I belong to Paul', or 'I belong to Apollos', or 'I belong to Cephas', or 'I belong to Christ.' Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

This is the word of the Lord

**All Thanks be to God**

## *Hymn: Take my life and let it be*

### **GOSPEL READING**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according Matthew 4 12-23

#### **All Glory to you O Lord**

Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the lake, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

‘Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,  
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—  
the people who sat in darkness  
have seen a great light,  
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death  
light has dawned.’

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, ‘Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.’

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, ‘Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.’ Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

This is the gospel of the Lord

#### **All Praise to you O Christ**

### **Sermon**

## *Hymn: Spirit of the Living God*

## 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.

## Closing Acclamation

Glory to God: Whose power at work among us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or conceive; to Him be glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen (*Ephesians 3 20-21*)

## Blessing

May God, who gives patience and encouragement, give you a spirit of unity to live in harmony as you follow Jesus Christ, so that with one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ (Romans 15 6,6)  
And the blessing of God Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you and all whom you love, today and always. Amen

***Hymn: Will you come and follow me***