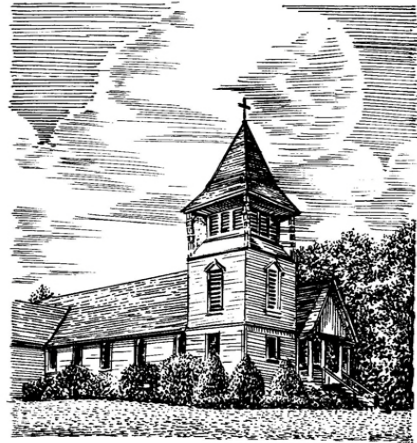


Sunday, January 29, 2012



Church of the Annunciation Oradell, New Jersey

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Welcome! *If you are visiting or new, we are delighted that you are with us today. Know that you are welcome to receive Holy Communion with us at God's table. We hope you will participate fully in our worship and engage your mind, body, and soul in the praise of God. Children are very welcome, especially in the play space near the rear of the church. Fill out a visitor's card, which you will find on the shelf near the door to the church, so we can stay in touch with you. Please join us in the Parish Hall for Coffee Hour, so we can get to know you better and to support you in your walk with the Lord.*

Senior Warden – Ted Gustenhoven – tedgustenhoven@yahoo.com

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Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

at ten o'clock

Please observe quiet reverence during the Prelude – respecting those preparing to worship God at this time

Prelude: *Ubi caritas et amor*

Gerald Near

HYMN 448 – stz. 1-5

O love, how deep, how broad, how high

Penitential Order

Prayer Book page 351

HYMN 448 – stz. 6

All glory to our Lord and God

Collect and Scripture

see insert

HYMN 427

stz. 1-3 before – stz. 4-5 after the Gospel

Sermon

“Accountable before God”

Prayers of the People – Form 6

Prayer Book page 392

Prayer attributed to St. Francis, Blessings, and The Peace

Prayer Book page 833

Announcements and Parish Celebrations

Wardens and Parish Leaders

HYMN 375

Give praise and glory unto God

The Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer C

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Sanctus and Benedictus

Hymnal S-129

During Communion: *I Need Thee Every Hour*

Steven Scott

Thanksgiving After Communion

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HYMN 371

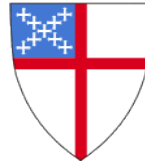
Thou, whose almighty word

Postlude: *Prelude on 'Hyfrydol'* (Hymns 460 & 657)

Paul Manz

Please maintain quiet reverence during the Postlude – saving conversation for Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany



The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Old Testament Lesson

Deuteronomy 18: 15 - 20

The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the LORD your God at Ho'reb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the LORD my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." Then the LORD replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak--that prophet shall die."

The Response – congregational portion is in **bold** type

Psalms 111

Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, *

in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the deeds of the Lord!*

they are studied by all who delight in them.

His work is full of majesty and splendor*

and his righteousness endures for ever.

He makes his marvelous works to be remembered;*

the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

He gives food to those who fear him;*

he is ever mindful of his covenant.

He has shown his people the power of his works, *

in giving them the lands of the nations.

The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice;*

all his commandments are sure.

They stand fast for ever and ever;*

because they are done in truth and equity.

He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever;*

holy and awesome is his Name.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;*

those who act accordingly have a good understanding;

his praise endures for ever.

The New Testament Lesson

1st Corinthians 8:1-13

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that 'all of us possess knowledge.' Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him. Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that 'no idol in the world really exists', and that 'there is no God but one.' Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth – as in fact there are many gods and many lords – yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist. It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. 'Food will not bring us close to God.' We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling-block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

The Gospel

Mark 1:21-28

They went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, 'What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.' But Jesus rebuked him, saying, 'Be silent, and come out of him!' And the unclean spirit, throwing him into convulsions and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, 'What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.' At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

In Our Prayers

Special Intentions: Dotti Zebrowski, Marie Papp, Carolyn Bensen, Clare Simpson, Sue Demay, Dorothy Grefrath, Alice Bezdjian, Gary Hoag, Peter Grefrath, Gloria Brower, Marion Terenzio, Beverly Jacob, Barbara Maggio, Laura Munson

The Altar Flowers today are given to the glory of God and in memory of Susan Hoag by Gary Hoag.

Absent Guest Plate – a second offering at the choir steps each week, which is given away for charitable purposes – today for **Shelter Our Sisters. Their mission** is to assist women and children victims of emotional, economic, sexual, and/or physical abuse.

Serving in the Military: Jason McGillivray, Ryan E. Bartholf, Salvatore Petruso, Geoff Zann, Thomas Gill, Justin Kelly, Justin A. Perry, Scott Bartholf

Today's Worship Leadership

Altar Guild: Marie Mitchell, Phyllis Thurlow, Muriel Depken
Financial Stewards: Rahul Dass, Eric Olsen
Acolytes: Nick Wekselblatt, Ben Corrado

Coming Parish Events

TODAY – Annual Reports due to Gayle = **Mon 30 Jan – Vestry Meeting** – 7:00 pm
adminstrator@annunciationradell.org

Mon 30 Jan – ECW Meeting @ 1 pm in the Parish Hall **Mon 13 Feb – Vestry Meeting** – 7:00 pm

Sun 05 Feb – Annual Parish Meeting – right after the 10 am service **Tue 21 Feb – Pancake Supper** – served 5:30 - 8:00 pm

Sun 05 Feb – Youth Sunday

Sun 05 Feb- “Soup”-er Bowl Sunday. **Wed 22 Feb – Ash Wednesday** – services will be held at 11:00 am and 7:30 pm.
Please bring in 2 cans of soup (one for each team) to benefit the Center for Food Action.

4th Quarter Statements are available on the Center Street table – PLEASE PICK UP YOURS & deliver any you can, to save postage = mailing them.

Note about Today's Scripture Readings

Welcome to our parish. In today's Eucharist, we continue the theme of Epiphany season: the manifestation of Jesus as the Son of God. One of the ways the Lord was shown forth as God's Son was in teaching, and today's Gospel, the beginning of the Sermon on the Mount, reveals in the Beatitudes Christ's call to holiness, and his promise of the Kingdom of God.

The Old Testament reading from the prophet Micah is a call from God to holiness, as well. In its closing words, we hear the same principles of living in response to God expressed in the Beatitudes.

Certainly, Jesus' hearers, steeped as they were in the words of the prophets, saw immediately that God was speaking through him in many ways consistent with the divine Word given through the prophets. Ultimately, however, it was not in his teaching that the fullest revelation was made by the Lord, but in his crucifixion.

Paul, seeking to inspire the Corinthian church to unity, points out that God's wisdom was most fully revealed in the cross of Christ. What, in terms of the world's wisdom, appeared to be foolishness, is to us who believe, God's deepest wisdom.

As we gather in Eucharist, we are one with God's people throughout the ages. We are one with apostles and prophets and faithful people in every age who have met the Lord in Word and Sacrament: people who by God's grace have before us the blessedness of and promise of God's coming reign.

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2/5 Isaiah 40:21-31, Psalm 147:1-12 & 21c, 1st Corinthians 9:16-23, Mark 1:29-39
2/12 Epiphany 2nd Kings 5:1-14, Psalm 30, 1st Corinthians 9:24-27, Mark 1:40-45
2/19 Last after Epiphany 2nd Kings 2:1-12, Psalm 50:1-6, 2nd Corinthians 4:3-6, Mark 9:2-9

Wednesdays at 11 am – Holy Communion with Healing and Spiritual Focus

2/1=Thomas Aquinas 2/8=Cornelius the Centurion 2/15=Cyril & Methodius

Bible Study on Wednesday @ 7pm = Foundations for Our faith.

Wed 1 Feb – Samuel & the Prophets 1st Sam. 2-25:1 Ps. 99
Wed 8 Feb – David & the Kings 1 Sam 8 - 1 Kings 2 Ps. 84, 132, 144
Wed 15 Feb – Elijah & Elisha 1 Kings 17-2 Kings 13 Ps.