

Season of Epiphany

19th January 2025

Led by *Fiona Bennett & Paul Dean*



Baptized & Beloved
by
Jan Richardson

Welcome & Gathering

Call

One: The Holy One

ALL: Source of Light

One: Guiding Light

ALL: Creating Light

One: Is here among us,

ALL: calling us and our world into the light of love and hope.

Hymn: Immortal Invisible CH4 132

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,

In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,

Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,

Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unchanging, and silent as light,

Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;

Thy justice like mountains high soaring above

Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life Thou givest, to both great and small;

In all life Thou livest, the true life of all;

We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,

And wither and perish, but nought changeth Thee.

Great Shaper of Glory, pure Source of true Light

Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;

All laud we would render, O help us to see:

'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee.

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Opening Prayer with movement

(arms crossed in front)

Loving God,

You are in the darkest night and brightest day

In the sunrise
(arms opened)
& sunset
(arms closed)
You are with us, calling us into your light.

We draw our prayers together in the Lord's Prayer or Jesus prayer, using the form of words on the screen or a form more worshipful for us...

Source of Life,
Father and Mother of us all:
Creation honours you!
May your Realm of Justice & Joy
Sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another,
forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen

Time for all ages

Hymn: Your love, shining like the sun,

Your love, shining like the sun,
Pouring like the rain,
Raging like the storm,
Refreshing us again.
We receive Your love.

Your grace frees us from the past,
It purges every sin,
It purifies our hearts
And heals us from within,
We receive Your grace.

Pour over us,
Pour over us,
Let Your rain flood our thirsty souls.
Pour over us Your waves of love,
Pour over us.

We come and lay our burden down
Gladly at Your feet,
We're opening our hearts,

Come make this joy complete;
We receive Your peace.

Pour over us,
Pour over us

Let Your rain flood this thirsty soul.
Pour over us Your waves of love,
Pour over us.

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Readings:

Isaiah 62:1-5

62 For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,
and her salvation like a burning torch.
2 The nations shall see your vindication,
and all the kings your glory;
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the Lord will give.
3 You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
4 You shall no more be termed Forsaken,[a]
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;[b]
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,[c]
and your land Married;[d]
for the Lord delights in you,
and your land shall be married.
5 For as a young man marries a young woman,
so shall your builder[e] marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.

Psalm 36:5-10

Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens,
your faithfulness to the clouds.
6 Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains,
your judgements are like the great deep;
you save humans and animals alike, O Lord.
7 How precious is your steadfast love, O God!
All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

8 They feast on the abundance of your house,
and you give them drink from the river of your delights.
9 For with you is the fountain of life;
in your light we see light.

10 O continue your steadfast love to those who know you,
and your salvation to the upright of heart!

John 2:1-11

2 On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. 2 Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. 3 When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' 4 And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' 5 His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' 6 Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. 7 Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. 8 He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. 9 When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom 10 and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' 11 Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Reflection by Rev Paul Dean

Offering & Dedication

Praise God from whom all blessing flow
Praise God all creature here below
Praise God above, You heavenly host
Praise Maker Christ and Holy Ghost

*Music: Louis Bourgeois, c. 1510-1561.
Words: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711*

Communion

Gathering:

Hymn: Come to the table of grace

Come to the table of grace
Come to the table of grace
This God's table it's not yours or mine
Come to the table of grace.

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Prayer of Thanksgiving, Intercession & Sharing

Celebrant: We unite in prayer with followers of Jesus since the earliest times
as we say:
God be with you

ALL: And with your spirit
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts
ALL: We lift them to God
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to God
ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise

Celebrant: Holy Loving God,
For the universe you have crafted in all its variety and mystery
ALL: We praise and thank you
Celebrant: For the gift of Christ Jesus; vulnerable healer & guide
ALL: We praise and thank you
Celebrant: For your Salvation; love crucified and resurrected.
ALL: We praise and thank you
Celebrant: With people everywhere, past present and yet to come
ALL: We praise and thank you

Song: This is the body of Christ CH4 799

Broken that we might be whole.
This cup as promised by God,
True to God's Word,
Cradles our Lord
Food the good of us all.

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Peace

Celebrant: Let us sign the Peace to each other...

Closing Response

Celebrant: Together we are nourished by Jesus' life.
ALL: We go to share his life and love.

Notices

Hymn: Christ is our light CH4 336

Christ is our light!
the bright and morning star
covering with radiance all from near and far.
Christ be our light,
shine on, shine on we pray
into our hearts, into our world today.

Christ is our love!
baptised that we may know
the love of God among us, swooping low.
Christ be our love, bring us to turn our face
and see in you
the light of heaven's embrace.

Christ is our joy!
transforming wedding guest!
Through water turned to wine
the feast was blessed.
Christ be our joy; your glory let us see,
as your disciples did in Galilee.

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Blessing & Sung Amen

What's on @ AUC this week?

Event	Date	Time	Location	Notes
Sunday Worship	Sun 19 th Jan	11am	AUC & Online	Fiona is leading and Paul is preaching
Post Service Zoom Social	Sun 19 th Jan	12 noon	Online	
Fire officer training	Sun 19 th Jan	12.45pm	AUC	For congregational volunteers who are willing to take on the responsibility of evacuating the building in the event of an emergency during Sunday services. Please come along, even if you've not registered with Rachel.
Contextual Bible Study	Weds 22 nd Jan	7.30pm	Online	<i>1 Corinthians 13:1-13</i> . Email minister@augustine.org.uk for the Zoom link
Contextual Bible Study	Thurs 23 rd Jan	12 noon	Online	<i>1 Corinthians 13:1-13</i> . Email minister@augustine.org.uk for the Zoom link
Sunday Worship	Sun 26 th Jan	11am	AUC & Online	Interactive service led by Fiona. The Sanctuary will be laid out in café style in preparation for our Burns lunch after the service.
Post Service Zoom Social	Sun 26 th Jan	12 noon	Online	
AUC Burns Lunch	Sun 26 th Jan	12.30pm	AUC	A delicious meal prepared by Pat – all are welcome to join us. Please book your place by emailing Rachel on centre.manager@augustine.org.uk
Our Tribe Coffee Social	Sun 26 th Jan	1.30pm	Coffee Saints, 2A Little King Street, EH1 3AR	All welcome!

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