

THE VOICING OF SCRIPTURE

Sermon "God's Grace in the Old Testament" Rev. Rich Evans

* Closing Hymn "Forth in Thy Name" No. 438

SENDING FORTH

* Benediction

* Postlude "A Luther Hymn" by Gilbert Martin

- Please Stand



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*Giving thanks and celebrating
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Christ and Community*



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*"...if we walk in the light,
as He is in the light,
we have fellowship with one another..."*

- I John 1:7

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GROOME CHURCH
January 21, 2024 10:00 a.m.
Reverend Dr. Willard Crossan III
Associate Pastor: Reverend Richard Evans
Third Sunday after the Epiphany

GATHERING AND CONFESSION

Parish Calendar and Greeting *Reverend Evans*

Organ Prelude "Pavane" *by Gilbert Martin*

* Call to Worship: *Psalm 100*

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

People: Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

People: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures for ever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

* Opening Hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty" No. 64

* The Peace

Choral Anthem

Prayer of Confession

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Silent Meditation

Words of Assurance

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

Hymn "O Come and Dwell in Me" No. 388

Old Testament Lesson Jonah 3: 1-5 & 10 NIV *Debbie Foxx*

1 Then the word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time: 2 "Go to the great city of Nineveh and proclaim to it the message I give you." 3 Jonah obeyed the word of the Lord and went to Nineveh. Now Nineveh was a very large city; it took three days to go through it. 4 Jonah began by going a day's journey into the city, proclaiming, "Forty more days and Nineveh will be overthrown." 5 The Ninevites believed God. A fast was proclaimed, and all of them, from the greatest to the least, put on sackcloth. 10 When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil ways, he relented and did not bring on them the destruction he had threatened.

* Gospel Lesson Mark 1:14-20 *Sue Lehman*

14 Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, 15 and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news." 16 As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea--for they were fishermen. 17 And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." 18 And immediately they left their nets and followed him. 19 As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. 20 Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

* Affirmation of Faith "Apostles Creed" No. 881

* Gloria Patri No. 70

PETITIONS, INTERCESSIONS AND OFFERING

Pastoral Prayer & Prayers of the People

-Voicing of our Petitions-

Leader: Lord in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer,

The Lord's Prayer

Offertory

* Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" No. 95