

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church

Incline Village, Nevada



Let Your Light Shine Susan Wooler

Seeking Light and Sharing Love

We welcome you to Saint Patrick's Church. We are truly pleased
that you have chosen to worship with us today.

If you are searching for a new church home and community, please
introduce yourself to our Rector as you depart.

Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

February 8, 2026

Prelude *This Is the Day* LEVAS #219

SERVICE OF THE WORD

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Opening Hymn *It Is Well With My Soul* LEVAS #188

1. When peace, like a river, at - tend - eth my
 2. Though sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should
 3. My sin— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous
 4. And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be

1. way, When sor - rows like sea - bil - lows roll;
 2. come, Let this blest as - sur - ance con - trol,
 3. thought— My sin— not in part, but the whole—
 4. sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,

1. What - ev - er my lot, thou hast taught me to
 2. That Christ has re - gard - ed my help - less es -
 3. Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no -
 4. The trump shall re - sound and the Lord shall de -

1. say, It is well, it is well with my soul.
 2. tate, And has shed His own blood for my soul.
 3. more, Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
 4. scend, "E - ven so"— it is well with my soul.

It is well with my soul,
It is well with my soul,
It is well, it is well with my soul.
soul,

Words: Horatio Spafford (1828-1888). Music: Philip P. Bliss (1838-1876).

Opening Acclamation

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Song of Praise: Hymnal 1982 #S280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Collect of 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.**

The First Reading: *Isaiah 58:1-12*

Shout out, do not hold back!

Lift up your voice like a trumpet!

Announce to my people their rebellion,
to the house of Jacob their sins.

Yet day after day they seek me
and delight to know my ways,
as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness
and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;
they ask of me righteous judgments,
they delight to draw near to God.

“Why do we fast, but you do not see?
Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?”
Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day,
and oppress all your workers.
Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight
and to strike with a wicked fist.
Such fasting as you do today
will not make your voice heard on high.
Is such the fast that I choose,
a day to humble oneself?
Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush,
and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?
Will you call this a fast,
a day acceptable to the LORD?

Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the thongs of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?
Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover them,
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?
Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up quickly;
your vindicator shall go before you,
the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.
Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;
you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

If you remove the yoke from among you,
 the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,
if you offer your food to the hungry
 and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
then your light shall rise in the darkness
 and your gloom be like the noonday.

The LORD will guide you continually,
 and satisfy your needs in parched places,
 and make your bones strong;
and you shall be like a watered garden,
 like a spring of water,
 whose waters never fail.

Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
 you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
 the restorer of streets to live in.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 112:1-10

- 1 Hallelujah!
 Happy are they who fear the Lord *
 and have great delight in his commandments!
- 2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; *
 the generation of the upright will be blessed.
- 3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, *
 and their righteousness will last for ever.
- 4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; *
 the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.
- 5 It is good for them to be generous in lending *
 and to manage their affairs with justice.
- 6 For they will never be shaken; *
 the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.
- 7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; *
 their heart is right;
 they put their trust in the Lord.
- 8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, *
 until they see their desire upon their enemies.
- 9 They have given freely to the poor, *
 and their righteousness stands fast for ever;
 they will hold up their head with honor.
- 10 The wicked will see it and be angry;
 they will gnash their teeth and pine away; *
 the desires of the wicked will perish.

The Second Reading: *1 Corinthians 2:1-16*

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,
nor the human heart conceived,
what God has prepared for those who love him”—

these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual.

Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny.

“For who has known the mind of the Lord
so as to instruct him?”

But we have the mind of Christ.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Sequence Hymn: *I Surrender All* LEVAS #133

1. All to Je - sus I sur - ren - der,
I will ev - er love and trust Him,
2. All to Je - sus I sur - ren - der
World ly pleas - ures all for - sak - en,
3. All to Je - sus I sur - ren - der
Let me feel the Ho - ly Spir - it
4. All to Je - sus I sur - ren - der
Fill me with thy love and pow - er,

1. all to Him I free - ly give;
In His pres - ence dai - ly live.
2. Hum bly at His feet I bow;
Take me, Je - sus, take me now.
3. Make me, Sav - ior, whol - ly thine;
Tru - ly know that thou art mine.
4. Lord, I give my - self to thee;
Let thy bless - ings fall on me.

I sur - ren - der all,
I sur - ren - der all,
I sur - ren - der all,
I sur - ren - der all,

I sur - ren - der all, All to thee, my
I sur - ren - der all,

bless - ed Sav - ior, I sur - ren - der all.

Words: Judson W. Van de Vanter (1855-1939). Music: Winfield S. Weeden (1847-1908).

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 5:13-20

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, “You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

“Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ

Sermon

The Very Reverend Marla Asson

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Announcements

Music at the Offertory: I've Got Peace Like a River LEVAS #201

Offertory:

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Doxology Hymnal 1982 #380: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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SANCTUS Hymnal 1982 #S130:

Music score for Sanctus Hymnal 1982 #S130, featuring two staves of music with lyrics in G clef, B-flat key signature, and common time.

The lyrics are:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and
might, _____
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are
full, _____
full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Special Blessings

Congregational Blessing

Now, let us depart this place in peace. As we go, remember the poor, pray for the sick, make no peace with oppression, and love one another as Christ has loved you. And the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, rest upon you and remain with you always.

Hymn: Leaning on the Everlasting Arms LEVAS #196

1. What a fel - low - ship, what a joy di - vine,
 2. O how sweet to walk in this pil - grim way,
 3. What have I to dread, what have I to fear,

1. Lean-ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms; What a bless - ed - ness,
 2. Lean-ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms; O how bright the path
 3. Lean-ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms; I have bless - ed peace

1. what a peace is mine, Lean-ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.
 2. grows from day to day, Lean-ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.
 3. with my Lord so near, Lean-ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

Lean - ing, lean - ing, safe and se-ure from all a-larms;
 Lean - ing on Je-sus, lean-ing on Je-sus,

Lean - ing, lean - ing, Lean-ing on the ev-er - last-ing arms.
 Lean - ing on Je-sus, lean-ing on Je-sus,

Dismissal

Postlude *This is the Day Reprise*

We remember those who are in our Columbarium.



Please join us for refreshments in the Parish Hall following worship!

Worship Assistants

Minister of Music: Donna Axton

Choir: Gwendalyn Gilliam, Nora Behrens, Daniel Gollery, Suzanne & Marty Gollery, Larry Harrison, Kay Lehr, Bret Logan, Donna Dekker-Robertson, Paula Chapman, Thea Reed, Steve Barney, Patsy Decea

Readers: Paula Chapman & Nancy Rawie

Usher: Len Thomsen

Counters: Len Thomsen & David Vomund

Altar Guild: Daniel Gollery

Clergy

The Rev. Marla Asson, *Rector*

Members of the Vestry

Connie Skidmore, Senior Warden, Gary Thomsen, Junior Warden

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Patti Logan, Connie Skidmore, Gary Thomsen (2023-2026 term)

Suzanne Gollery, Dick Jackson, Geoff White (2024-2027 term)

Paula Chapman (2025-2028 term)

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Notes on cover art - From Susan Wooler:

Throughout my professional journey, I have experienced a diverse range of roles. I have worked in an office, spent time in a shop, and enjoyed the outdoors as a post woman for a short period. My musical pursuits led me to become the lead singer in a 1970s disco band, as well as performing as a solo singer. Additionally, I owned a 12-bedroom hotel in Blackpool. Despite these varied experiences, I always sensed that something was missing—a persistent yearning for deeper satisfaction.

I obtained a degree in Interior Design, which provided me with a robust grounding in the principles of design and a comprehensive grasp of Colour Theory. These academic achievements equipped me with essential skills and knowledge, enhancing my appreciation for the finer details of visual composition.

Yet, despite the demands and rewards of my studies and professional endeavours, painting always remained a constant thread woven through my life. It was a pursuit that brought me enduring fulfilment and joy. I dedicated my spare time to painting, often finding myself engrossed in my art during weekends and evenings. No matter where I happened to be—even whilst on holiday—I would ensure to bring paint and paper with me, ever ready to seize inspiration whenever it appeared.

Each time I picked up a brush, I experienced a deep sense of satisfaction and contentment that no other activity could provide. My commitment to painting was unwavering; it brought me a genuine sense of purpose and joy, reinforcing my passion and guiding my creative journey.

Eventually, I made the momentous decision to pursue painting as my full-time profession. Resigning from my office job was both daunting and exhilarating; I found myself wrestling with doubts and questions—had I made the right choice, or was I being reckless? Despite these uncertainties, I pressed on, driven by my passion for art.

As I drove back to my home on the North Wales coast—a place I share with my husband, our lively two-year-old Labrador, and our nineteen-year-old cat—I felt a mixture of apprehension and anticipation. Approaching home, the breathtaking view of the ocean unfolded before me. It was an Indian summer, and the sun cast a shimmering glow along the coastline. In that moment, a profound sense of calm and happiness washed over me, reassuring me that everything would be alright.

Since making the decision to pursue painting as my full-time profession, everything has truly fallen into place. I have been fortunate enough to sell hundreds of my paintings, which now reside in homes and businesses not only across the UK but also overseas. The opportunity to complete numerous commissions has been deeply rewarding, allowing me to collaborate with a diverse range of clients and bring their visions to life.

My work has also found its way into art galleries in London, and I have had the privilege of presenting a solo exhibition in Wales. These experiences have allowed me to connect with a variety of art lovers and collectors, some of whom have visited my studio. Their enthusiasm and support have been a continual source of encouragement, reminding me daily of the joy and passion that art brings to my life.

Reflecting on my career, I realise I could not have wished for a more satisfying path. I am never bored, nor do I feel stuck in a rut. Art has truly become an all-consuming passion for me. There are nights when my mind is so alive with ideas for new compositions and colour schemes that restful sleep proves elusive. Yet, each day, I wake up eager to paint, care for my family, and continue pursuing my dreams and aspirations. Every moment spent in this creative pursuit reaffirms my happiness and fulfilment.