Second Sunday after the Epiphany, Year B

The Collect:

Rite I:
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Rite II:
Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Old Testament: 1 Samuel 3:1-10 (11-20)

1 Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of
the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

2 At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see,
was lying down in his room; 3 the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel
was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. 4 Then
the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" 5 and ran to Eli and
said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So
he went and lay down. 6 The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went
to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son;
lie down again." 7 Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of
the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. 8 The Lord called Samuel again, a third
time. And he got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then
Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. 9 Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go,

lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.' " So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

10 Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And
Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." [11 Then the Lord said to Samuel,
"See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who
hears of it tingle. 12 On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken
concerning his house, from beginning to end. 13 For I have told him that I am about
to punish his house forever for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were
blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. 14 Therefore I swear to the house of
Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering
forever."

15 Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of
the Lord. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. 16 But Eli called Samuel and said,
"Samuel, my son." He said, "Here I am." 17 Eli said, "What was it that he told you?
Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything
from me of all that he told you." 18 So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing
from him. Then he said, "It is the Lord; let him do what seems good to him."

19 As Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the
ground. 20 And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a
trustworthy prophet of the Lord.]

Psalm: Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17

1 Lord, you have searched me out and known me; *
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.
2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places *
and are acquainted with all my ways.
3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *
but you, O Lord, know it altogether.
4 You press upon me behind and before *
and lay your hand upon me.
5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; *
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made; *
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.
14 My body was not hidden from you, *
while I was being made in secret
and woven in the depths of the earth.
15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;
all of them were written in your book; *
they were fashioned day by day,
when as yet there was none of them.
16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! *
how great is the sum of them!
17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number
than the sand; *
to count them all, my life span would need to
be like yours.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

12 "All things are permitted for me," but not all things are beneficial. "All things are
permitted for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. 13 "Food is meant for the
stomach and the stomach for food," and God will destroy both one and the other. The
body is meant not for sexual immorality but for the Lord and the Lord for the
body. 14 And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power.15 Do you not know
that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ
and make them members of a prostitute? Never! 16 Do you not know that whoever is
united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, "The two shall be one
flesh." 17 But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. 18 Shun sexual
immorality! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral
person sins against the body itself. 19 Or do you not know that your body is a temple of
the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your
own? 20 For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

Gospel: John 1:43-51

43 The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him,
"Follow me." 44 Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter.
45 Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses
in the Law and also the Prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth."
46 Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to
him, "Come and see." 47 When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of
him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" 48 Nathanael asked him,
"Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree
before Philip called you." 49 Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You
are the King of Israel!" 50 Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I
saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." 51 And he said to
him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God
ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

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