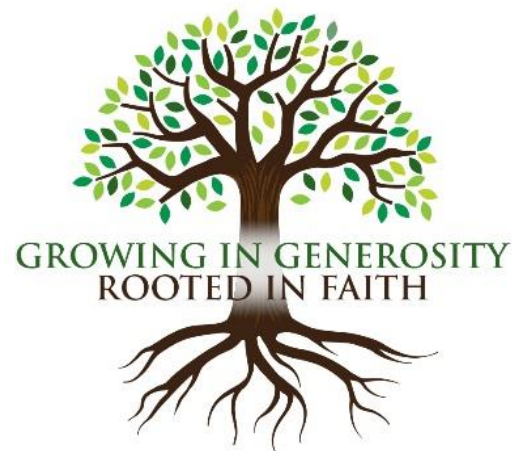


The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

February 14, 2021

10:00 AM Service

Holy Communion



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WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

During this time of social distancing: Please sit in one of the spaces in a pew marked with a piece of white masking tape. People in the same household may sit together, but everyone else should sit 6 feet apart.

Restrooms: Handicap-accessible restrooms are located to the right as you go up the ramp through the archway across from the doors of the sanctuary.

Hymnals, Prayer Books and Bibles are in a bookcase in the back of the church. If you would like to use one, please take one and return it in the box after the service.

Humming or simply listening to hymns is appropriate.

We have gluten-free wafers available: Please tell us when you come to the altar rail.

Symbols in the Bulletin: **P** Priest **D** Deacon **L** Leader **C** Congregation **A** Everyone

Standing, sitting, and kneeling: Throughout the bulletin there are invitations to stand, sit or kneel, as you choose. You are free to be seated at any time when that is best for you.

A gentle reminder: please silence your mobile phone before the service.

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Chanson

C. Saint-Saens
Isabelle Schueler, cellist

[During the Prelude, please prepare for worship by observing attentive silence.]

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Please be seated.]

MISSION MOMENT

ACCLAMATION

[Please stand.]

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

G And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

A 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.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

H. 135 vs 1,4

***Songs of thankfulness and praise, Jesus, Lord, to thee we raise,
manifested by the star to the sages from afar;
branch of royal David's stem in thy birth at Bethlehem;
anthems be to thee addressed, God in man made manifest.***

***Manifest on mountain height, shining in resplendent light,
Where disciples filled with awe thy transfigured glory saw,
When from there thou leddest them steadfast to Jerusalem,
cross and Easter Day attest God in man made manifest.***

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

G And also with you.

P Let us pray... .. O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

G Amen.

WORD OF GOD

The Readings: 2 Kings 2:1-12, Psalm 50:1-6, 2 Corinthians 4:3-6, Mark 9:2-9

[Please be seated.]

The First Reading

📖 *The First Reading is taken from 2 Kings, chapter 2...*

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

📖 The Word of the Lord

🙏 **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

[Tune: *Jesus Shall Reign*]

***The Lord has spoken, God of gods, And calls the earth from east to west;
From Zion, perfect in its grace, God's glory will be manifest.***

***Our God will come with raging storm, Consuming flame and not be still;
God calls the heavens above and earth That all may know God's righteous will.***

The Second Reading

L *The Second Reading is taken from 2 Corinthians, chapter 4...*

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

L The Word of the Lord.

G **Thanks be to God.**

ACCLAMATION

[Please stand.]

Epiphany Alleluia

Sing twice

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The Gospel

D The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

G **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

D Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

D The Gospel of the Lord.

G **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

Michael Durning

[Please be seated.]

NICENE CREED

[Please stand.]

☩ We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

[Please stand, kneel, or sit, as you prefer.]

- ☩** As we join the whole creation and celebrate with joy the Word made flesh, let us offer prayers to God who dwells among us, from long ago and until the end of time.
- ℒ** Wonderful Counselor, we pray for laypeople, bishops, priests and deacons, and all who minister in the name of Christ, that each and every one will hear and heed the guidance of your Holy Spirit.
- ☩** **Give us strength of heart, mind, body and soul to join you in preaching good news to the poor, proclaiming release to the prisoners and recovery of sight to the blind, liberating the oppressed, and announcing that the year of your favor has come to all the earth.**
- ℒ** Mighty God, we pray for your church. Fill us and all those who worship you with truth and compassion. Where we are corrupt, purify us; where we are in error, direct us; where in anything we are amiss, reform us.
- ☩** **Where we are in the right, strengthen us; where we are in want, provide for us; where we are divided, reunite us.**

ℒ Everlasting Father, we lift to your heart those who suffer from any grief or trouble, [especially . . . *read names from notebook...*] and those we now name aloud or in our hearts [*leave time...*]. Empower us, in your name, to give them courage and hope in their troubles.

☞ **Help us to be the answers to their prayers when they cry out to you.**

ℒ Prince of Peace, we joyfully celebrate the wedding of the human and divine natures in Christ Jesus. We give thanks for the flowers given today to the Glory of God, and in Thanksgiving to God for Jeanelle Chilton's 97th Birthday and for her family and late husband, Barney, and for the birthdays this week, Marc Wigmore, Jeanelle Chilton, Caroline Maisel, Betsey McKenna, Donald Gottschalk, Sandy Kneen, and for the anniversaries this week, Neil & Betty Lloyd, Tony & Sherry Conte, and for all the blessings of this life.

☞ **Give us the grace to see your divine presence so that all of creation may sing new songs of gladness and walk in the way of joy.**

ℒ King of Kings, we pray for those who have died, [especially . . . *add names from notebook...*] and those we now name aloud or in our hearts. [*Leave time....*]
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

☞ **Grant them continual growth in your love and service; and help us in obedience to your will to follow the good examples of the saints who have gone before us.**

ℒ Lord of lords, we pray for the leaders of the nations and all in authority.

☞ **Give them grace, compassion and will to strive for peace and justice, caring alike for young and old, strong and weak, rich and poor.**

ℒ Empower, O Lord, our Vestry as we pray....

☞ **Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on our Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

ℒ Rejoicing in the blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the One who will reign forever and ever.

☞ **Hallelujah! Lord our God, source of grace and truth, accept the prayers we offer in this joyful season. May we witness to your glory with unending praise and thanksgiving. Amen.**

THE GREETING OF PEACE

[Please stand. During this time of social distancing, a wave or bow, accompanied by a smile and "the Peace of the Lord be with you," will do nicely.]

℘ The peace of the Lord be always with you.

☞ **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

☐ Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

OFFERTORY

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Julian Guini, soloist

Please be seated. The offering plates are on stands in the front and the back of the church. If you wish, you may place an offering there.]

PRESENTATION

[Please stand]

☐ We gladly present the fruits of our lives to the God who creates us, redeems us and sustains us. May we have the grace to use them to heal God's world.

PRESENTATION HYMN

Christ Be Our Light

***Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another, signs of your kingdom come.
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.***

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer A

☐ The Lord be with you.

☑ **And also with you.**

☐ Lift up your hearts.

☑ **We lift them to the Lord.**

☐ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

☑ **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

☐ It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

☑ ***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.***

[Please stand or kneel, as you choose.]

- P** Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

- P** After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

- P** We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

- P** Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the response: "A - me - n, a - me - n, a -". The second staff contains the melody for the second line: "me - n, a - me - n, a - me - n." The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating that a single note is held across multiple syllables.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- P** And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:
- A1** **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

- P** This is the true bread which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.
- C** **Whoever eats this bread has Eternal Life.**
- P** The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

[PLEASE FOLLOW THESE NEW PROCEDURES: *To ensure social distancing, please go forward to receive Holy Communion one at a time, following the directions of the usher, who will let you know when it's your turn. Two people will stand in front of the altar to distribute the consecrated wafers. Please keep your mask on, receive the wafer, and return to your seat by the side aisle. After returning to your seat, you may remove your mask to consume your wafer.*]

COMMUNION CHANT

Taste and See

[Please repeat this chant until the musician stops playing the tune.]

***Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the lord.
Oh, taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.***

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

[Please stand or kneel, as you choose.]

- P** Let us pray...
- C** **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

[Please stand.]

P The Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God strengthen you to have the faith, heart, and hands of Christ in this world, as you go from here blessed in the name of the Holy Trinity, God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

G Amen.

SENDING HYMN

O Wondrous Type!

H. 137 vs 1,2,3

***O wondrous type! O vision fair of glory that the church may share,
which Christ upon the mountain shows,
where brighter than the sun he glows!***

***With Moses and Elijah nigh the incarnate Lord holds converse high;
and from the cloud, the Holy One bears record to the only Son.***

***With shining face and bright array, Christ deigns to manifest today
what glory shall be theirs above who joy in God with perfect love.***

THE DISMISSAL

D Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

G Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Minuet in E Minor

J. S. Bach

SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant & Preacher	Michael Durning
Deacon	Cindy Roehl
Organist	Robert Moncrief
Acolyte/Crucifer	Pat Cates
Lectors	Judy Warner & Carolyn Hughes
Prayers of the People	Judy Warner
Ushers	Steve & Caroline Maisel
Building & Grounds	Butch Niford