

The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany with The Transfiguration Annual Parish Meeting to follow January 28, 2024 10:30 a.m. Musical Eucharist

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OPENING HYMN #536

OPEN YOUR EARS, O FAITHFUL PEOPLE



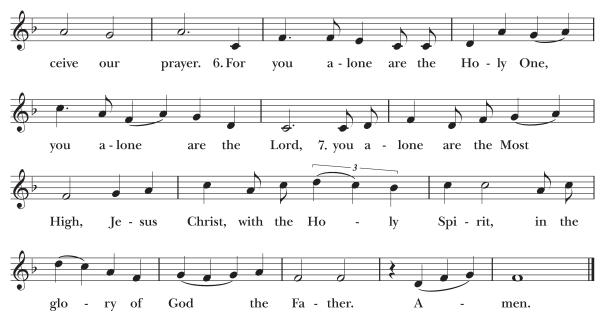
OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

The People remain standing as they are able





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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE READING DEUTERONOMY 18:15-20

The people are seated.

Moses said: The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." Then the Lord replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Refrain - sung by choir, then by all.



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Verse 1 sung by choir

I will praise the Lord with all my heart, in the meeting of the just and the assembly. Great are the works of the Lord, to be pondered by all who delight in them.

All repeat refrain

Verse 2 sung by choir

Majestic and glorious his work; his justice stands firm forever.

He has given us a memorial of his wonders. The Lord is gracious and merciful. *All repeat refrain*

Verse 3 sung by choir

His handiwork is justice and thruth; his precepts are all of them sure. standing firm foever and ever, wrought in uprightness and truth. *All repeat refrain*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION CELTIC ALLELUIA

The people stand as they are able as we sing.



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Verse sung by cantor All repeat

THE GOSPEL MARK 1:21-28

The people stand as they are able.

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Presider

God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength. So let us pray to the Lord saying, "For your blessing and guidance, we give you thanks."

Leader God, bless your Church. May our souls hunger and thirst for

righteousness. Give us the grace to do those things you require of us: to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with you.

Silence

For your blessing and guidance,

People We give you thanks.

Leader God, bless the people of this and every nation. You make foolish the

wisdom of the world; we pray that our leaders find their wisdom in you. Teach us to be merciful and open us to receive mercy from others.

Silence

For your blessing and guidance,

People We give you thanks.

Leader God, bless your creation. Your mighty, creative voice echoes through the

mountains. We offer back to you all the many gifts that spring forth from this earth.

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Silence

For your blessing and guidance,

People We give you thanks.

Leader God, bless our local community. May we be a people who do no evil to

our friends, who heap no contempt upon our neighbors.

Silence

For your blessing and guidance,

People We give you thanks.

Leader God, bless the poor in spirit with the inheritance of your kingdom. You

choose what is weak in this world to shame the strong. Be the source of

life for all those suffering and sick.

You are invited to add your own petitions and thanksgivings, either

silently or aloud.

Silence

For your blessing and guidance,

People We give you thanks.

Leader God, bless the dying and the dead. May their reward be great in heaven.

Give to those who now mourn the blessing of your comfort.

Silence

For your blessing and guidance,

People We give you thanks.

Presider

O God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier, now and for ever. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Presider Let us confess our sins to God.

Minister and People

God of all mercy,

we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us,

the evil we have done,

and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us

through our Savior Jesus Christ,

that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & BLESSINGS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Presider says

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

SUNG BY THE YOUTH CHOIR

Thy Word is a Lamp

Amy Grant Michael W. Smith

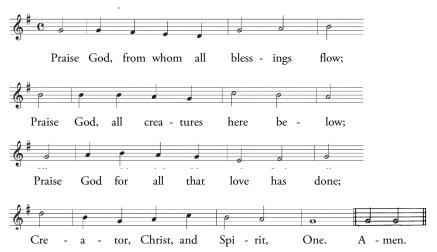
Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way, still you're there right beside me.
And nothing will I fear as long as you are near.
You are near me to the end.

Now I will not forget your love for me, and yet my heart forever is wandering. Jesus, be my guide, and hold me to your side. I will love you to the end.

DOXOLOGY

The people stand as they are able



Music: Old Hundredth, Louis Bourgeois (1510-1561); Text: Thomas Ken (1637-1710), adapt.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER 2)

Presider The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:





The Presider continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, *Presider and People*

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

A period of silence is kept.

FRACTION ANTHEM WLP#878

WHOEVER COMES TO ME





The Presider invites the people to Communion

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Wherever you find yourself on your spiritual journey, you are welcome to share Communion (or receive a blessing in which case, please cross your arms in front of your chest as a sign to the minister). If you need gluten-free bread, it will be provided. We use the common cup, which is optional. Please refrain from intincting (dipping bread in the wine).

Please come forward to receive the Eucharist.

The people remain seated as we sing the communion hymn.



POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

The people stand as they are able.

Presider and People

God of abundance,
you have fed us
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us
with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth
in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim
your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

EPIPHANY BLESSING

Presider

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**



DISMISSAL

Presider Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

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Toccata in E Minor Johann Pachelbel

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