

St. John's Episcopal Church
The Last Sunday in Epiphany
Holy Eucharist: Rite II ✠ February 11, 2024

Celebrant: Rev. Harold Schneider
Lector: Wes Wagester Music Director: Kitty Underwood

Processional Hymn: *Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies* Hymn 6 or 7

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

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

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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The Gloria

Hymn S-280

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:

receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
 Jesus Christ,
 with the Holy Spirit,
 in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day:

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. Amen.

The Lessons

The First Lesson: **2 Kings 2:1-12** **Insert**

Psalm 50:1-6 Insert

The Second Lesson: **2 Corinthians 4:3-6** Insert

Sequence Hymn: *Christ Upon the Mountain Peak* H-129

The Holy Gospel: **Mark 9:2-9** *Insert*

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The Nicene Creed *(all standing)*

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.

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The Prayers of the People - form III

The Leader and People pray responsively

Let us offer prayers to the Holy One, whose glory is a devouring fire
and a mighty tempest.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve
you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the
world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

I ask your prayers for those on our prayer list:
Kyle, Barb, Dave, Loren, the Harrand Family, Ron, Dave, Angie,
Phil, Dan, Connie, Barbara, Chris, Chuck, Annie, Joe, Joyce, Carol,
Kathy, Kari, Laurie, Matt and Arlene.

For our home parishioners: Eleana, Harvey, Evelyn, Dave, Darlene,
Richard, Kathleen, and Linda, that they may receive your healing,
comfort and know your abundant love.

Grant wisdom, discernment, and your vision for those on the
Anglican and Diocesan Cycles of Prayer: St. John's, Midland,
St. Thomas, Battle Creek, and Church of the Province of Southeast
Asia.

I ask your prayers for those serving our country in the military
especially: Dylan, John, John, Jacquelyn, Michael, Jared and Glenn,
Jennifer, John, Kyle, Ray, Jared and all military chaplains, that they
may be kept safe from harm and learn to trust in you more fully.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.
Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Lord, hear the prayers of thy people; and what we have asked
faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of thy
name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

**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.**

O Lord our 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, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and for ever.
Amen.

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The Peace *All stand.*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

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

Announcements and Prayers

Offertory Anthem: *Dona Nobis Pacem*

Choir

Doxology: (verse 3 Hymn 380)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

V. All things come of thee, O Lord.

R. And of thine own have we given thee. (1 Chr. 29:14)

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The Great Thanksgiving *Eucharistic Prayer B*

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says:

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 you Name:

Sanctus

Hymn S-129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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. _____

The people stand or kneel.

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We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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."

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, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with John and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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**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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

**Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast.**

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.



Ministration of Communion – All are welcome at God’s table.

Communion Anthem: *I am the Bread of Life*

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Post Communion Prayer

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn: *Alleluia, Sing to Jesus*

Hymn-460

The Dismissal

People respond

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

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The Last Sunday after the Epiphany, Year B

2 Kings 2:1-12

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.

Psalm 50:1-6

- 1 The LORD, the God of gods, has spoken; *
he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
- 2 Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, *
God reveals himself in glory.

3 Our God will come and will not keep silence; *
before him there is a consuming flame,
and round about him a raging storm.

4 He calls the heavens and the earth from above *
to witness the judgment of his people.

5 "Gather before me my loyal followers, *
those who have made a covenant with me
and sealed it with sacrifice."

6 Let the heavens declare the rightness of his
cause; *
for God himself is judge.

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

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.

Mark 9:2-9

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.

Prayer List

February 11, 2024

Kyle Bishop -

grandson of Dave
Bishop-for healing

Rev Barb Cavin

Dave Fisher-Friend of
Wes Wagester;
Internal bleeding

Loren Clark-Friend of
John & Yvonne-
Cancer

The Harrand Family-
Friend of Sherry
Wagner-for healing
and peace.

Ron Herberholtz-
Healing after car
Accident

Dave Herdon-Fallen

Angie Hill-Friend of
Ina-Recurring
Cancer

Phil Hopkins-Healing

Dan Huffman-Kitty's
cousin, for closed
head injuries

Connie Jones-A closer
walk with God

Barbara Kamyo-friend
of Dianne Bishop-
Stroke

Chris Landis-Nephew
of John & Yvonne-
Cancer

Chuck Leonard-
Brother of Sherry
Petrie, for heart
problems

Annie Lendway-Friend
of the Wagners-
Healing

Joe Lendway-Friend of
Sherry Wagner,
recurring cancer

Joyce Moss-Healing

Marilyn Reynolds-
John & Yvonne's
Sister-in-law. Dec
21 Surgery

Carol Schroeder-

Friend of Sherry
Petrie, for health
issues.

Kari Stark - stepsister
of Kitty Underwood
- Comfort for MS.

Laurie Verbeke-friends
with the Petries-
Successful Stem Cell
Transplant

Matt Winsberg-Friend
of Wes Wagerster-
Diabetic Foot Pain

Arlene Zuhlke-John &
Yvonne's Aunt-
Cancer

**Diocesan Cycle of
Prayer**

St. Christopher, Grand
Blanc - Jerry Lasley,
Rector

St. Philip's, Beulah -
Mike Clark, Senior
Warden

Worship Leaders in the
Dioceses

Anglican Cycle of Prayer
Province of the

Episcopal Church of
South Sudan

Our home parishioners:
Eleana Fettig, Harvey
Taylor, Evelyn Sunich,
Dave & Darlene
Herndon, Richard &
Kathleen Buszek, Linda
Neros.

**Those in Service to our
country:**

Anderson, John
Hodgeman, John
McNary, Jacquelyn
Folcarelli, Michael
Folcarelli, Jared
Killingbeck, their
families, and all military
chaplains

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Join us for Ash
Wednesday Services at 6
PM on February 14th!