

THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

February 11th, 2024 10:00 a.m. The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

Welcome to St. Mary's

Thank you for joining us today! From the very beginning in 1887, our founders saw St. Mary's-in-Tuxedo as the community church, being present and receptive to all those who came in faith, need, gratitude, curiosity -- or for whatever reason. Please know that you are always welcome here.

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All baptized Christians (from any denomination) are welcome to receive Communion in the Episcopal Church.

Ministers Serving Today

Celebrant: The Very Rev. Richard J. Robÿn Eucharistic Minister: Organist & Choir Master: Sheldon Eldridge Usher: Lili Neuhauser

Lector: Peter Bush
Acolyte: Matt Hlavka
Video: Calvin De Mond
The Schola: Aileen Sager,

Coffee hour host: Abby

Johanna Maria Rose, Anthony Cinelli,

William Dickinson

Introit

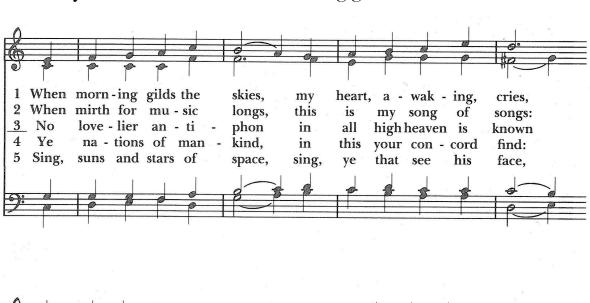
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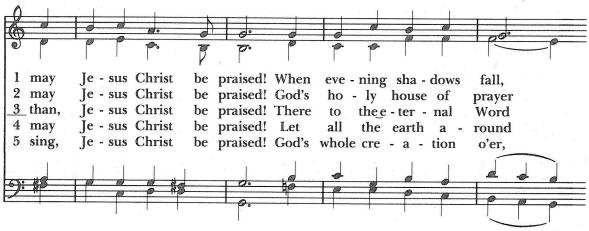
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Processional Hymn 427

When morning gilds the skies

Laudes Domino







The Word of God

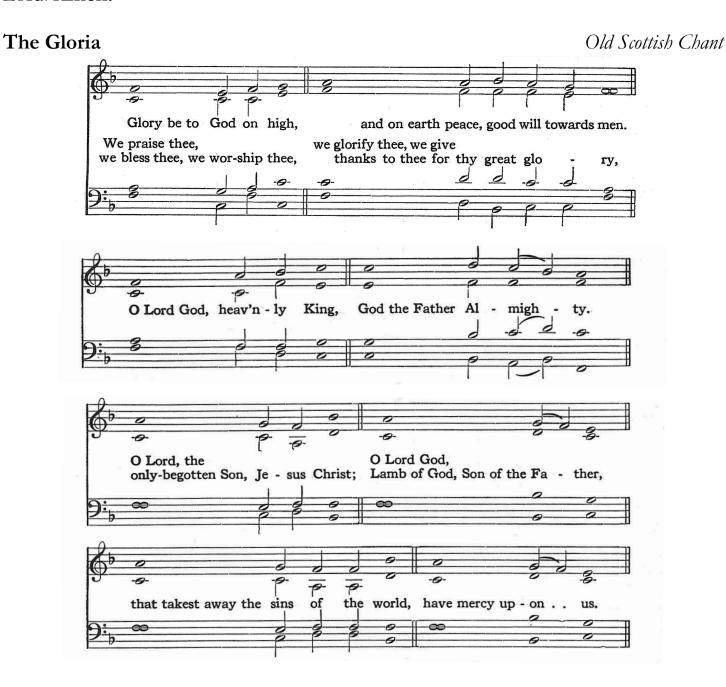
Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

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

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant

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.**





The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in thee: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature, we can do no good thing without thee, give us the help of thy grace, that in keeping thy commandments we may please thee both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

The First Reading

Reader: A reading from the second book of Kings.

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.

People Thanks be to God.

THE Lord, even the Most Mighty God, hath spoken, * and called the world, from the rising up of the sun unto the going down thereof.

2 Out of Sion hath God appeared * in perfect beauty.

3 Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence; *

there shall go before him a consuming fire,

and a mighty tempest shall be stirred up round about him.

4 He shall call the heaven from above, * and the earth, that he may judge his people.

5 Gather my saints together unto me; *

those that have made a covenant with me with sacrifice.

6 And the heavens shall declare his righteousness; * for God is Judge himself. *Gloria Patri*.

The Epistle 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Reader: A reading from the second letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.

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.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand



The Gospel Mark 9:2-9

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated

The Sermon The Rector

Please stand

The Nicene Creed

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.

The Prayers of the People

Form I

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Matthew, Allen, and Mary, our Bishops, for Richard our Rector and Edwin our Rector Emeritus, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Joseph our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this town and village, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Father Ed Cromey, William Clarke, Barbara Beauregard, Bill Steinmann, Webb Turner, John Burkhalter, Timothy Francis Duffy, Carol Grodsky, Genevieve Jones, John Kordel, Jolene Matthews, Theresa McDevitt, Rob McQuilkin, Barbara Miranda, Carmen Murphy, Joy Ochieng, Linette Opiyo, Brendan Pascarella, Patrick Pascarella, Ulie and Maryvan Pendl, Audrey Perry, Linda Robÿn, Father Stephen Rozzelle, Nicholas Triantafillou, and Peter Van Zandt, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, especially Antony Mason, in whose memory the sanctuary candle is given, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion St. Mary and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Silence.

Celebrant

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Please be seated

Welcome & Announcements

The Rector

The Offertory Christ, whose glory fills the skies T. Frederick H. Candlyn (1892-1964)

Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true, the only light, sun of righteousness, arise, triumph o'er the shades of night; dayspring from on high, be near; day-star, in my heart appear. Dark and cheerless is the morn unaccompanied by thee; joyless is the day's return till thy mercy's beams I see; till they inward light impart, glad my eyes, and warm my heart. Visit then this soul of mine, pierce the gloom of sin and grief; fill me, radiancy divine, scatter all my unbelief; more and more thyself display, shining to the perfect day.

Charles Wesely (1707-1788)

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The Doxology

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.

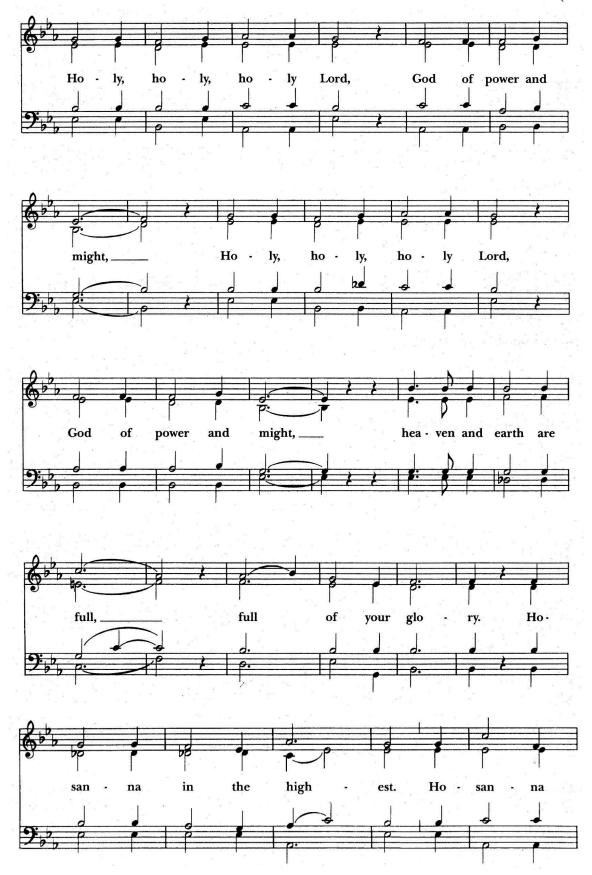
The Holy Communion

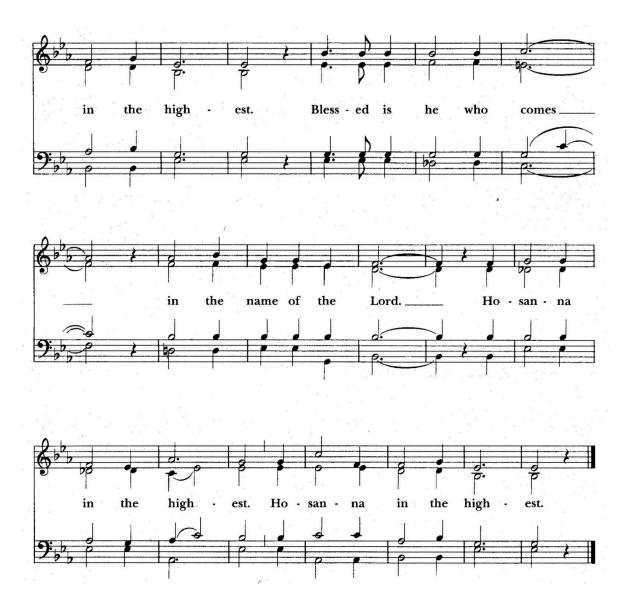
Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And also with you.Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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.

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 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 your Name:





Please kneel; then the Celebrant continues

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,

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant continues

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 St. Mary 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**.

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

Celebrant 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.

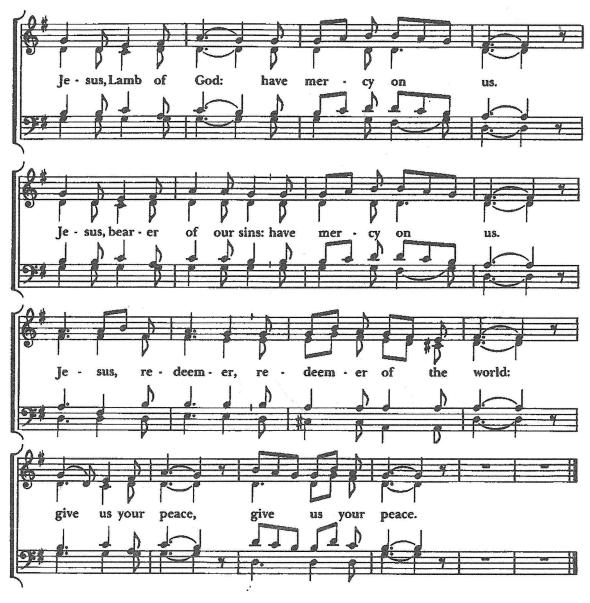
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast, alleluia.

Agnus Dei Franz Schubert



Celebrant

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.



4 Light up thy word; the fettered page O Light of Light! within us dwell,
From killing bondage free: Through us thy radiance pour,
Light up our way; lead forth this age
In love's large liberty. And praise thee evermore. Amen.

Communion Anthem: *Not not us, O Lord* Thomas Attwood Walmisely (1814-1856) Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy Name give the praise; for thy loving mercy, and for thy truth's sake. Alleluia.

Ps. 115:1

The Post Communion Prayer

Please kneel

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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.

Please stand

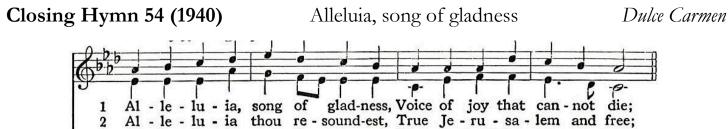
Blessing & Dismissal

Celebrant

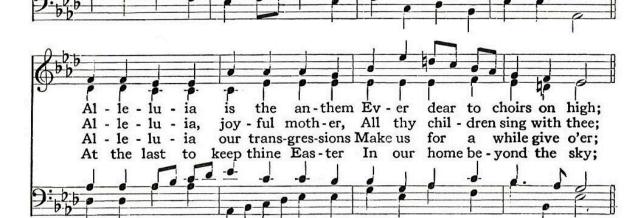
May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



3 Al - le - lu - ia we de - serve not Here to chant for ev - er - more; 4 There-fore in our hymns we pray thee, Grant us, bless - ed Tri - ni - ty,





Postlude:

Grand March from Aida

Giuseppi Verdi (1813-1901)

Prayers of the Community

Parishioners we are praying for:

Fr. Ed Cromey, Rector Emeritus William Clarke Barbara Beauregard Bill Steinmann Webb Turner

Friends and family members we are praying for:

John Burkhalter, friend of Sheldon Eldridge Timothy Francis Duffy, friend of Brad Boles Carol Grodsky, friend of St. Mary's Genevieve Jones, former parishioner and resident of Tuxedo Park John Kordel, friend of Fr. Rick & Pete Datos-Robÿn Jolene Matthews, daughter of Gillian Ballard Theresa McDevitt, longtime Tuxedo resident Rob McQuilkin, longtime Tuxedo Park resident Barbara Miranda, cousin of the Bush family Carmen Murphy, close friend of Ann Ho-Powers Joy Ochieng, daughter of Elizabeth Ochieng Linette Opiyo, friend of Elizabeth Ochieng Brendan and Patrick Pascarella, relatives of Gillian Ballard Ulie and Maryvan Pendl, longtime Tuxedo Park residents Audrey Perry, friend of St. Mary's Linda Robÿn, mother of Fr. Robÿn Father Stephen Rozzelle, Rector of Christ Church, Pompton Lakes, NJ Nicholas Triantafillou, grandson of Bill Steinmann Peter Van Zandt, friend of St. Mary's

The sanctuary candle is in loving memory of Antony Mason

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