



Last Sunday after the Epiphany
March 2, 2025

The Service of the Word

Prelude: Isabelle Peterson

Opening Hymn 400: “All Creatures of Our God and King”

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, & Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever.
Amen!

The Collect for Purity

*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.*

CHILDREN’S CHAPEL *** (Ages 4 – 10 years)

During the following hymn, children process with the leader to the Chapel for a lesson and singing; they return at The Peace.

Song of Praise 711: “Seek Ye First”

*Seek ye first the Kingdom of God
And it's righteousness
And all these things shall be added unto you
Allelu, Alleluia!*

*Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia
Allelu, Alleluia*

The Collect of the Day - *prayed by the Celebrant*

The First Reading: 2 Corinthians:3:12-4:2

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.


Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 99 (Read responsively by whole verse)

- 1 The LORD is King;
let the people tremble; he is enthroned upon
the cherubim; let the earth shake.
- 2 **The LORD is great in Zion; he is high above all peoples.**
- 3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; he is the Holy One.
- 4 **"O mighty King, lover of justice you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."**
- 5 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God and fall down before his footstool; he is the Holy One.
- 6 **Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.**
- 7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.
- 8 **O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.**
- 9 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God and worship him upon his holy hill; for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

Sequence Hymn: "Have It All"



You can have it all, Lord. Ev-'ry part of
my world. Take this life and breathe on
this heart that is now Yours.

The Gospel Reading: Luke 9:28-36

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory to you Lord Christ.**

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"--not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you Lord Christ.**

Message: "Last Lessons"

Rev. Roger Hungerford

The Nicene Creed (p. 358 BCP)

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 &
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.*
(*"catholic" means universal)

The Prayers of the People

In peace, we pray to you, Lord.

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone. (Silence)

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace. (Silence)

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression. (Silence)

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy. (Silence)

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth. (Silence)

For our church prayer list and for all who have died. *(Silence)* For the special needs and concerns of those around us here today. *(Silence)*

And, Lord, for all the blessings of our lives;
We give you thanks. (Silence)

The Confession

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.*

The Peace: Welcome & Announcements



The Holy Communion

This portion of the service begins on p. 361 in the BCP however, you are encouraged to give your attention to the altar.

The Communion. *All seeking God through Jesus are invited and welcome to receive Communion. Anyone who does not wish to receive communion is invited to come forward, cross their arms over their chest, and receive a blessing. If you would like the clergy to bring communion to someone in the pews, please notify the ushers at the door of the church. For bread only, no wine, put one arm across your chest. Gluten Free available.*

Offertory Hymn: “Raise a Hallelujah” (*see insert*)

The Doxology 380: (v. 3)

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 Great Thanksgiving

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.

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

Sanctus S-129

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.

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People **Christ has died.**

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Lord’s Prayer (p. 336 BCP)

Communion Hymn: “Gratitude” (*See insert*)

Communion Hymn 335: “I Am the Bread of Life”

Post Communion Prayer (p. 365 BCP)

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

Closing Hymn: “How Great Thou Art”

*O Lord my God, When I in awesome wonder,
Consider all the worlds Thy Hands have made;
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.*

Refrain:

*Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee,
How great Thou art, How great Thou art (x2)*

*When through the woods, and forest glades I wander,
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees.
When I look down, from lofty mountain grandeur
And see the brook, and feel the gentle breeze. (Refrain)*

**NO ONE LEAVES HUNGRY
FROM JESUS’ TABLE**



As an important extension of our worship, the Food Pantry is made available and we have a Community Hour following our 10:30 worship. Ask a priest if you need assistance.

Serving Today

8:00am

DOD: Nancy Gibbons

Chalice Bearers: Ed Austin

Readers: Hunter Walker, Lorrie
Wilkinson

10:30am

DOD: Marline Austin

Chalice Bearers: Angela Hinkle, Camille
Lukow

Acolytes: McKenzie Simpler, Stella
Dixon

Readers: Steve Lukow, Brandi Love-
Spain

Rev. Roger's Point to Ponder:

Halleluia isn't just a beautiful word that is fun to say. It is a contraction of the ancient Hebrew words "Hallu," which means praise; and "Jah," which means God, with "Le" being a connector like "be." So Halleluia means Praise be to God. It's an interjection – a word that is noun and verb rolled into one. It needs no other words. It is a simple, beautiful, fun word that people, throughout history and across our globe, use to share adoration of God. It connects us together. Halleluia. FYI Alleluia is a Latinized version meaning the same thing – praise be to God.

The act of burying Alleluia comes to us from around the 12th Century. It may have earlier origins, but there are historical documents that record its liturgical use dating from the later 12th century. Why bury Alleluia? Burying Alleluia was enacted as a liturgical way to mark the transition from a season filled with awe and wonder (capped by the secular event Mardi Gras), to a solemn season that focuses on introspection. Burying Alleluia does not mean we stop giving praise to God, rather we move from outward praise to inner praise. Our Alleluia symbolically rests until we joyously celebrate Easter Sunday, where just as Jesus rose from the grave, our praise bursts forth from its slumber when we shout our opening acclamation "Alleluia, Christ is risen! The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!"

Prayer List

*Requested Prayers will remain on the list for 4 weeks.
Please let us know if you need to be on longer.*

Bill Holiman and Family, Chuck Collins, Cindy Robbins, CJ, *Diane Persell, Eula Lantrip, *Fay Scordato, Jaime Badilla, Jane Drake, Jean Turner, *Mabel Wilson, Melissia Williams, Nancy Gibbons, Natalie Baxter, Ralph, Sally Roberts & Family, Richard Pena, Tabby Riley, Terri Miller, Walt & Gail Zimmer, Will Benson

**Leave on Prayer List*

Military

Adam Thomas, Adam Zigler, Alexander Logan, Anthony Robbins, Asa Ramsey, Ben Boyer, Benjamin Merriweather, Cale Eggart, Chase Coleman, Christian Clark, Corbin Czeck, Daniel Payden, Donovan Chau, Doug Wiessman, Dylan Hoewt, Grant Hungerford, Hunter

Bailey, Jackie Neville, James Madden, Jeremy Rice, Jose Hernandez, Kathryn Rubio, Kevin Kahl, Kyle McChesney, Landen Haskins, Laz Bailiff, Marc Ruiz, Mike Darrah, Nicholas Pinkston, Shaun Southall, Steven Bonello, Stephen del Risco, Taylor Knueven

Rest of the Soul

Helen Carnes, Harriet Kerr, Victims of the plane crash in Washington DC & Philadelphia, Maria Martinez, David Pleasant, Crystal Tyson, Kenny Johnson, Lorelee Holiman, Tina Moore, Chris Mincey, Ralph Roberts, Ursula Lincoln, Sue Beasy

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