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The Last Sunday After the Epiphany

March 2, 2014
9:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist Rite II

Prelude

The Word of God

At the tolling of the bell, all stand.

Songs of thankfulness and praise

Entrance Hymn

Hymnal 135

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant

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

People

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

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.***

Hymn of Praise

Through north and south and east and west

WLP 822

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

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. ***Amen.***

First Reading

Exodus 24:12-18

The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them."

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 99 *Psalm is chanted on the long note. The text in **bold** indicates when to move to the shorter note.*



- 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 in-**deed**; *
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil **deeds**.

(repeat same psalm tone as verse 8)

- 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**.

The Second Lesson

2 Peter 1:16-21

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

Sequence Hymn

Christ upon the mountain peak

Hymnal 129

The Gospel

Matthew 17:1-9

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Six days after Peter had acknowledged Jesus as the Christ, the Son of the Living God, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white.

Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

Celebrant *The Gospel of the Lord.*

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

Sermon

The Reverend Brad Rundlett

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

Leader: Let us pray.

Blessed Jesus, Healer and Redeemer, we pray for the world, for all who suffer from poverty, disease, tyranny, war, and natural disasters. Enlighten our minds, improve our skills, and increase our compassion for the whole human family. **Giver of life, we pray to you.**

(Pause)

Son of God, Prince of Peace, we pray for community, state, national leaders, and for the people they serve; grant us wisdom, a passion for peace, the determination to improve conditions for every person on this planet, and the will to preserve the earth. **Savior of the world, we pray to you.**

(Pause)

Wonderful Counselor, Light of the World, we pray for the Church; inspire and guide us, help us to be thoughtful, generous, brave, and true, in our service and witness to you. **Lord and Master, we pray to you.**

(Pause)

Miracle Worker, Friend of the forsaken, we pray for people who are alone and lonely, homeless, in prison, addicted, abusing and abused, who suffer from mental torment. Give us the knowledge and skill to support one another through the journey of life. **Merciful Messiah, we pray to you.**

(Pause)

Bread of Life, Hope of the World, we thank you for opening Heaven's doors to all of God's people; we remember individuals we love who have died, and we pray for people who are dying now. **Lamb of God, we pray to you.**

(Pause)

Kingdom's King, Bestower of Blessings, we praise you and thank you for your gracious providence, for the innumerable gifts you continually present to us, for promises beyond our wildest dreams. **Gracious One, Sovereign of the Universe, we pray to you.**

(Pause)

Holy Promised and Anointed Christ, we remember your vow to be with us always; we celebrate your presence here and now, and throughout the world. **Living Water, Cup of Salvation, we pray to you.**

(Pause)

Blessed Christ, we pray that your Spirit will live and grow within us. Transform us with your love. Perfect our worship, witness, and service. **That love, peace, hope, faith, and joy may spread throughout the world. Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All **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.**

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

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Welcome & Announcements

The Offering

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

The Holy Communion

Offertory

(9:30 only)

The Heavens are declaring
St. Cecilia & St. Ambrose Choirs

L. van Beethoven

(11:00 only)

Jesu Joy of Our Desiring
Lydia Gough, *Soloist*

W.B. Cooper

Presentation Hymn

How wondrous and great

Hymnal 533

The Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People *We lift them up to the Lord.*

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

The Celebrant proceeds

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:

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord

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Celebrant and People

**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.

The people stand or kneel.

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;**

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 Timothy 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,

People and Celebrant

***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, forever and ever. Amen.***

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!***

Fraction Hymn

Seek ye first

Hymnal 711, v.1

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The Administration of Communion

Communion Hymn

I the Lord of Sea and Sky

WLP 812

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All *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

Recessional Hymn

O wondrous type! O vision fair

Hymnal 137

Dismissal

Celebrant Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People *Thanks be to God. Alleluia!*

Postlude