The Holy Eucharist
The last Sunday after the Epiphany

March 3, 2019

8:00 AM
Newcomers and visitors, the community of Saint Mark’s welcomes you. We hope that you will feel at home in this place and in this liturgy. Mothers are most welcome to breastfeed their infants during the service. Out of respect for the liturgy we are about to celebrate, please turn off all cell phones and audible devices. Please, no photography during the liturgy.

The Reverend Canon Nancy Ross, Associate to the Rector, Presider & Preacher

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE Adagio in C, k. 356 Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756–1791)

All rise as able.

HYMN 137 O wondrous type! O vision fair • The Hymnal 1982 #137 tune: Wareham

stanzas 1, 2 & 4

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Assembly And Blessed be God’s kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY Book of Common Prayer, p. 355

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.

GLORIA Book of Common Prayer, p. 356

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.

COLLECT OF THE DAY Book of Common Prayer, p. 217

Presider The Lord be with you.
Assembly And also with you.
Presider 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.
Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

Reader  Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
Assembly  Thanks be to God.

Psalm 99  read by all in unison

Dominus regnavit

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.
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  Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
Assembly  Thanks be to God.

All rise as able.

THE HOLY GOSPEL  Luke 9:28–43a

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

Presider  The Gospel of the Lord.
Assembly  Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON  The Reverend Canon Nancy Ross
All rise as able.

**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.

**PRAYERS OF THE ASSEMBLY**

*After each petition:*

*Intercessor*  Lord, in your mercy,

*Assembly*  Hear our prayer.

*The Presider concludes the prayers with a collect. All respond: Amen.*
CONFESSION

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

You are invited to stand or kneel for the confession.

Presider  Most merciful God,

All  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 Presider pronounces God’s forgiveness of our sins. All respond: Amen.

THE PEACE

Presider  The peace of the Lord be always with you.

Assembly  And also with you.

All greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

All rise as able as the bread, wine and money we offer to God are brought forward and presented at the altar table.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING  Eucharistic Prayer B  Book of Common Prayer, p. 367

Presider  The Lord be with you.

Assembly  And also with you.

Presider  Lift up your hearts.

Assembly  We lift them to the Lord.

Presider  Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Assembly  It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider  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:

All  Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
     heaven and earth are full of your glory.
     Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
     Hosanna in the highest.
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 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.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Presider   The gifts of God for the people of God.

All seeking God are welcome at Christ’s Table.

If you need communion brought to your seat, please let any of the liturgical ministers know.
Rice wafers for those who do not eat wheat are available; simply ask for one at the time of communion.
• Hold out your hand to receive the bread and then eat. Guide the chalice of wine to your mouth and then drink.
• Or you may leave the bread in your hand for the chalice bearer to dip in the wine and feed you.
• To receive a blessing instead of communion, simply cross your arms over your chest.

COMMUNION VOLUNTARY   Organ Improvisation

All rise as able.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Presider   Eternal God,

All   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.

BLESSING

The Presider asks God’s blessing on the Assembly. All respond: Amen.

HYMN 135   Songs of thankfulness and praise   The Hymnal 1982 #135

stanzas 1 & 4

TUNE: Salzburg

DISMISSAL

Presider   Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
Assembly   Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY   Chorale-prelude on Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern
           [tune of Hymn #496: “How bright appears the Morning Star”]

Johann Pachelbel (1653–1706)

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