THE HOLY EUCHARIST
THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS DAY

January 5, 2020

9:00 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. Ushers are available during the liturgy as well as greeters and clergy following, should you have any questions or concerns. Mothers are most welcome to breastfeed their infants during the service. Children of any age are always welcome at Saint Mark’s liturgies. In addition, child care during services is available in the Child Care Center, located in the west end of the cathedral building. You may reach the Child Care Center through the southwest doors of the nave, or by taking the elevator to the 5th floor. Ushers will guide you.

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 Very Reverend Steven L. Thomason, Dean and Rector of Saint Mark’s Cathedral, Presider
Mr. Malcolm McLaurin, Seminarian, Preacher
THE GATHERING

The three-fold tolling of a bell, followed by a brief organ voluntary offered a few minutes before the hour, bids all to keep silence for prayer and preparation.

PRELUDE  Prelude on Kingsfold, Op. 1019a  [tune of Hymn #480, “When Jesus left his Father’s throne”]  Carson Cooman (b. 1982)

As the opening hymn is introduced, all to rise as able.

HYMN 100  Joy to the world! ♦  The Hymnal 1982 #100  stanzas 1, 2 & 4  TUNE: Antioch

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider  Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
Assembly  Glory to God for ever and ever.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presider  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.

All  Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE  Angels we have heard on high  TUNE: Gloria

1. Angels we have heard on high, singing sweetly through the night,
and the mountains in reply echoing their brave delight.

Refrain

Gloria in excelsis Deo!

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider  God be with you.
Assembly  And also with you.
Presider  Let us pray.

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All  Amen.

Please be seated for the readings.
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Thus says the Lord:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;
proclaim, give praise, and say,
“Save, O Lord, your people,
the remnant of Israel.”

See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,
among them the blind and the lame, those with child and
those in labor, together;
a great company, they shall return here.

With weeping they shall come,
and with consolations I will lead them back,
I will let them walk by brooks of water,
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;
for I have become a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Hear the word of the Lord, O nations,
and declare it in the coastlands far away;
say, “He who scattered Israel will gather him,
and will keep him as a shepherd a flock.”

For the Lord has ransomed Jacob,
and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him.

They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion,
and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the Lord,
over the grain, the wine, and the oil,
and over the young of the flock and the herd;
their life shall become like a watered garden,
and they shall never languish again.

Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance,
and the young men and the old shall be merry.
I will turn their mourning into joy,
I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow.
I will give the priests their fill of fatness,
and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty,
says the Lord.

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

How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! *
My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

2 The sparrow has found her a house
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; *
by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts,
my King and my God.  **ANTIPHON**

3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! *
they will always be praising you.

4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims’ way.  **ANTIPHON**

5 Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, *
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

6 They will climb from height to height, *
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.  **ANTIPHON**

7 Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; *
hearken, O God of Jacob.

8 Behold our defender, O God; *
and look upon the face of your Anointed.  **ANTIPHON**

**READING**  Ephesians 1:3–6,15–19a

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in
Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us
in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him
in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, accord-
ing to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely
bestowed on us in the Beloved.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and
for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers.
I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a
spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of
your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you,
what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the im-
measurable greatness of his power for us who believe.

**Reader**  Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

**Assembly**  Thanks be to God.
The parents of Jesus went to Jerusalem every year for the festival of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day’s journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, “Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety.” He said to them, “Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father’s house?” But they did not understand what he said to them. Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart.

And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

TUNE: Kingsfold

THE HYMN

When Jesus left his Father’s throne, he chose a humble birth;
like us, unhonored and unknown, he came to dwell on earth.

Like him may we be found below, in wisdom’s paths of peace;
like him in grace and knowledge grow, as years and strength increase.

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SERMON

Malcolm McLaurin
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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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit
and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.

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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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.

THE PEACE

Presider  The peace of Christ be always with you.
Assembly  And also with you.

All greet one another in the name of the Lord.
BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

Those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries in the month of January are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. The Assembly stands as able and joins the Presider in saying the prayers.

Birthdays: Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace, which passes understanding, abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Anniversaries: Loving God, in the mystery of the Holy Trinity, you reveal yourself as a community of self-giving love. We thank you for bringing us together into families. Bless we pray these couples who celebrate the anniversaries of their commitments to one another, and grant that they may grow in grace, fidelity and mutual affection all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

OFFERTORY
An offering of money is received. Everyone worshipping this morning is invited to make an offering as an expression of gratitude for God’s generosity. Together, our gifts make possible this community of welcome, reconciliation and service.

In the front cover of your hymnal, or in the pew rack in front of you, you will find an offering envelope and a form to give by credit card, as well as a card to place in the offering plate as a token of a gift given electronically. To donate online, visit saintmarks.org/give, or use the Venmo mobile app (@SaintMarksCathedralSeattle, or scan the code at right).

ANTHEM Poverty

words & music: Caradog Roberts (1878–1935) trans. from Welsh by K.E. Roberts (1874–1932)

All poor folk and humble, Though wise men who found him
All lame folk who stumble, Laid rich gifts around him,
Come haste ye, nor feel ye afraid: Yet oxen they gave him their hay:
For Jesus, our treasure, And Jesus in beauty
With love past all measure, Accepted their duty;
In lowly poor manger was laid. Contented in manger he lay.

Then haste we to show him
The praises we owe him:
Our service he ne’er can despise:
Whose love still is able
To show us that stable
Where softly in manger he lies.

The bread, wine and money we offer to God are brought forward and presented at the altar table.
When the Presider stands, all rise as able.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider The Lord be with you.
Assembly And also with you.
Presider Lift up your hearts.
Assembly We lift them to God.
Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
Assembly It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Eucharistic Prayer B, Book of Common Prayer, p. 361
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,

**All**

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

**Presider**

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.
Presider  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.

All   AMEN.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

McNeil Robinson II (b. 1943)

Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-lowed be your Name, your king-dom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heav-en. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins as we for-give
those who sin a- gainst us. Save us from the time of trial, and de-liv-er us from e-vil.

For the king-dom, the pow-er, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev-er. A-men.

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In silence, the Presider breaks the consecrated bread.

FRACTION ANTHEM   What feast of love is offered here?  

TUNE: Greensleeves

1. What feast of love is of-fered here, what ban-quet come from heav-en?
2. What light of truth is of-fered here, what cov-e-nant from heav-en?

what food of ev-er-last-ing life, what gra-cious gift is giv-en?
what hope of ev-er-last-ing life, what won-drous word is giv-en?
**Invitation to Communion**

*Presider*  The gifts of God for the people of God.

All seeking God are welcome at Christ’s Table.

Communion is distributed at standing stations at the head of the aisles. If you need communion brought to your seat, please let an usher know. Rice wafers for those who do not eat wheat are available at the Presider’s communion station at the center aisle.

- 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.

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**Communion Voluntary**  *Organ Improvisation*

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**Hymn 81**  *Lo, how a Rose e’er blooming*  •  *The Hymnal 1982 #81*

**Tune:** *Es ist ein Ros’*
All rise as able.

SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Presider  One body are we.
Assembly  For, though many, we share one bread and one cup.
Deacon  Go in peace, bearing holy gifts for holy people.

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 124  What star is this?  ♦  The Hymnal 1982 #124
stanzas 1, 2 & 4

TUNE: Puer nobis

DISMISSAL  The Deacon dismisses the Assembly. The Assembly responds:  Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY  Choral-Prelude on Lobt Gott, ihr Christen allzugleich, bwv 609
[“Praise God, dear Christians, all together”]  J.S. Bach (1685–1750)

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