

**LAST SUNDAY
AFTER THE EPIPHANY
MORNING PRAYER RITE II**

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2023 10:30 A.M.



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OPENING HYMN *I Love To Tell the Story* LEVAS 64 *Please stand*

1. I love to tell the sto - ry Of un - seen things a - bove,
2. I love to tell the sto - ry, For those who know it best

1. Of Je - sus and His glo - ry, Of Je - sus and His love.
2. Seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing To hear it, like the rest.

1. I love to tell the sto - ry, Be - cause I know it's true;
2. And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,

1. It sat - is - fies my long - ings As noth - ing else would do.
2. 'Twill be the old, old sto - ry That I have loved so long.

I love to tell the sto - ry; 'Twill be my theme in glo - ry.

To tell the old, old sto - ry Of Je - sus and His love.

Officiant: Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.
—Isaiah 60:3

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Officiant says to the people: Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept. Officiant and People together, all kneeling

**God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.**

**We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.**

**We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.**

**Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

The Officiant remains kneeling and says

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through the grace of Jesus Christ,
strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

Amen.

The Invitatory and Psalter *All stand as able*

Officiant O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise.

People **And your glory all the day long.**

All **Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the
beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

Officiant: Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: Come let us adore him.

INVITATORY Psalm 95:1-7

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before God's presence with thanksgiving *

and raise to the Lord a shout with psalms.

For you are a great God, *

you are great above all gods.

In your hand are the caverns of the earth, *

and the heights of the hills are yours also.

The sea is yours, for you made it, *

and your hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *

and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For you are our God,
and we are the people of your pasture and the sheep of your hand. *
Oh, that today we would hearken to your voice!

PSALM: PSALM 99

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

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Lessons *The people sit.*

FIRST READING: EXODUS 24:12-18

Moses has received the Ten Commandments and case laws verbally from God on Mount Sinai. The people of Israel have agreed to obey them in exchange for God being their god and protecting them.

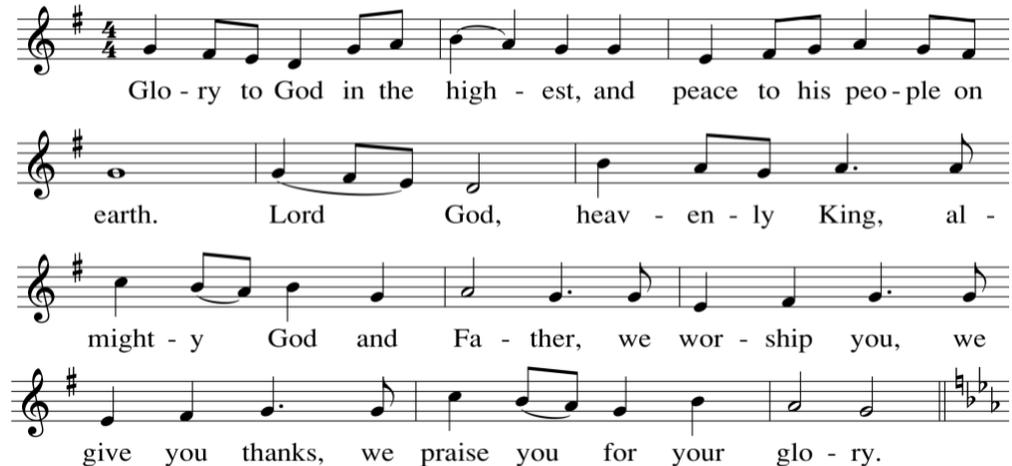
¹²The LORD said to Moses, “Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.” ¹³So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴To the elders 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.” ¹⁵Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶The 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. ¹⁷Now 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. ¹⁸ Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

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

People **Thanks be to God.** *Silence follows with a bell.*

CANTICLE Gloria GC 157 *Please stand*



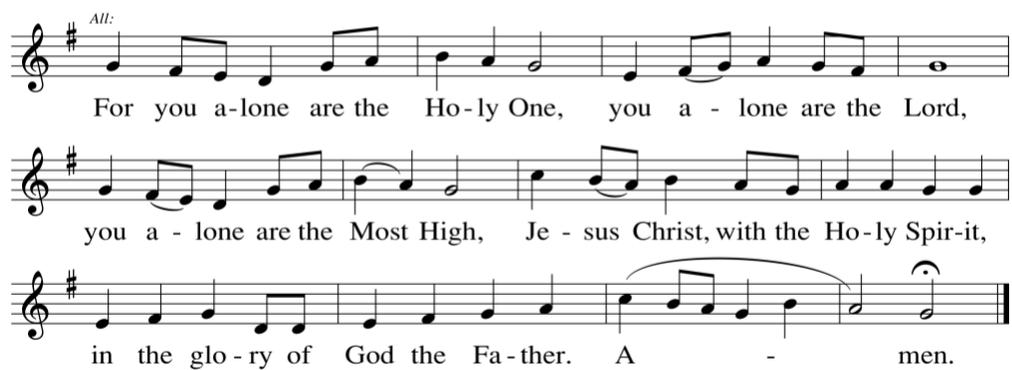
Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on
earth. Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al -
might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

Choir (Congr. ad lib):



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have
mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the
Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

All:



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

SECOND READING: 2 PETER 1:16-21 *The people sit.*

This letter is written as Peter's last testament. An eyewitness to Jesus' life, he leaves the Christian community with a sound foundation for faith based on experience. As Jesus appeared at his transfiguration in glory, so he will again when he comes a second time.

¹⁶We 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. ¹⁷For 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."

¹⁸We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

¹⁹So 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. ²⁰First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, ²¹because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

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

People **Thanks be to God.** *Silence follows with a bell.*

THIRD READING: MATTHEW 17:1-9

Peter has confessed that Jesus is indeed the Messiah. Jesus has predicted that the Son of Man will come in God's glory before some present have died. Some see the Transfiguration as fulfilling this prediction.

¹Six 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. ²And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴Then 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." ⁵While 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!" ⁶When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." ⁸And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

⁹As 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."

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

People **Thanks be to God.** *Silence follows with a bell.*

SEQUENCE HYMN *Christ Upon the Mountain Peak* H 129 *Please Stand*

1 Christ up - on the moun - tain peak stands a - lone in
 2 Trem - bling at his feet we saw Mo - ses and E -
 3 Swift the cloud of glo - ry came. God pro - claim - ing
 4 This is God's be - lov - ed Son! Law and pro - phets

glo - ry blaz - ing; let us, if we dare to speak,
 li - jah speak - ing. All the pro - phets and the Law
 in its thun - der Je - sus as his Son by name!
 fade be - fore him; first and last and on - ly One,

with the saints and an - gels praise him. Al - le - lu - ia!
 shout through their joy - ful greet - ing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Na - tions cry a - loud in won - der! Al - le - lu - ia!
 let cre - a - tion now a - dore him! Al - le - lu - ia!

MESSAGE Sky Carroll, Licensed Preacher

THE APOSTLES' CREED *Officiant and People together, all standing.*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers

Officiant Hear our cry, O God.
People **And listen to our prayer.**
Officiant Let us pray.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The lector will begin the prayers. Please pray a collect as you feel led.

When we call upon the Lord, God will answer us. So let us come before the Lord in prayer, saying, **“Majestic God, show us your glory.”**

Lord our God, move your Church by your Holy Spirit. May we proclaim your greatness in the world. Inspire in us a prophetic message and let us not be overcome by fear.
Majestic God, Show us your glory.

We pray especially today for our spiritual leaders. May they, like your servant Moses, lead your people into a deeper experience of you.
Majestic God, Show us your glory.

O mighty Sovereign, lover of justice, may this and every nation, strive for justice and peace. We pray that the leaders of the nations trust and care for those in their charge.
Majestic God, Show us your glory.

Holy One, you have chosen to wear the clouds and meet our forebears on the mountains. In doing so, you remind us that you created all things good and continue to manifest your glory through those things you have created. We offer our praise and thanks especially for:

You are invited to offer thanksgivings aloud or silently.

Majestic God, Show us your glory.

O Lord, after they witnessed your majesty, Jesus led his disciples back down the mountain to minister to the people. Lead us to proclaim the Good News of God in Christ

to our neighbors—to be your lamps shining in dark places.

Majestic God, Show us your glory.

God our Father, touch those who are overcome by fear, sickness or any other adversity. Overshadow them with the healing power of your love. We remember especially those dear to us whom we carry in prayer day by day: **Mike & Judy, Doug, Greg, David, Robin, Beverly, Ryan, Linda, Beth, Beth J., Elinor, Akashia & her family, Carolyn & Jerry, Darrel, Jack, Brandon, Billie, and the Cox family.**

Hear also these concerns on our hearts:

You are invited to add petitions either silently or aloud.

Majestic God, Show us your glory.

God of Light, we pray for the dying and the dead. May all those who experience death also come to know the new day of resurrection that comes through your Risen Son.

Majestic God, Show us your glory.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.*

PRAYER FOR MISSION

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Please greet one another in the name of the Lord.

OFFERTORY *Please be seated*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

DOXOLOGY *Please stand and sing:*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below.

Praise God above ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Officiant and People

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service,
and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.** 2 Corinthians 13:14

CLOSING HYMN *Songs of Thankfulness & Praise* H 135

1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Jes - us, Lord, to thee we raise,
2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Pro - phet, Priest, and King su - preme;
3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;
4 Man - i - fest on moun - tain height, shin - ing in re - splen - dent light,
man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far;
and at Ca - na, wed - ding - guest, in thy God - head man - i - fest;
man - i - fest in val - iant fight, quell - ing all the dev - il's might;
where dis - ci - ples filled with awe thy trans - fi - gured glo - ry saw.

branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem;
 man - i - fest in power di - vine, chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
 man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring - ing good from ill;
 When from there thou led - dest them stead - fast to Je - ru - sa - lem,

an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
 an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
 an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
 cross and Eas - ter Day at - test, God in man made man - i - fest.

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES & THANKSGIVINGS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Potluck & All Church Meeting today after worship
- Ash Wednesday Service 12 p.m. 2/22
- My Way of Love for Lent study begins Weds. 2/22 following the Ash Weds. Service (12:30 p.m.). Study continues on Wednesdays thru April 5; usual time: 12 to 1:30 p.m.
- Sunday 2/26: Spoken word service using the Book of Common Prayer without music.

SUNG BENEDICTION *May God Bless and Keep You GC #577*

*May God bless and keep you; may God smile on you.
 May God show you kindness, fill you with peace.
 And may God bless you, Father, Son, and Spirit;
 may we always love and serve, filled with God's peace.*

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