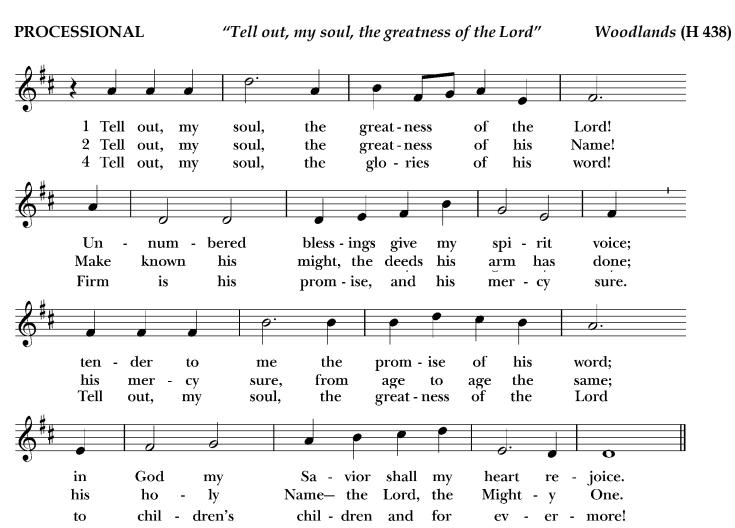


St. David's Episcopal Church and School Ashburn, VA Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany January 28, 2024, 10:00am

PRELUDE



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

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

Celebrant: 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**.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one

God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 18:15-20

A Reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

[Moses summoned all Israel and said to them,] "The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: 'If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die.' Then the Lord replied to me: 'They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak — that prophet shall die.'"

Reader: The Word of the Lord **People:** Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 111

The Psalm will be read responsively by whole verse

¹Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, * in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

²Great are the deeds of the Lord! *

they are studied by all who delight in them.

³His work is full of majesty and splendor, * and his righteousness endures forever.

⁴He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; * the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

⁵He gives food to those who fear him; * he is ever mindful of his covenant.

⁶He has shown his people the power of his works * in giving them the lands of the nations.

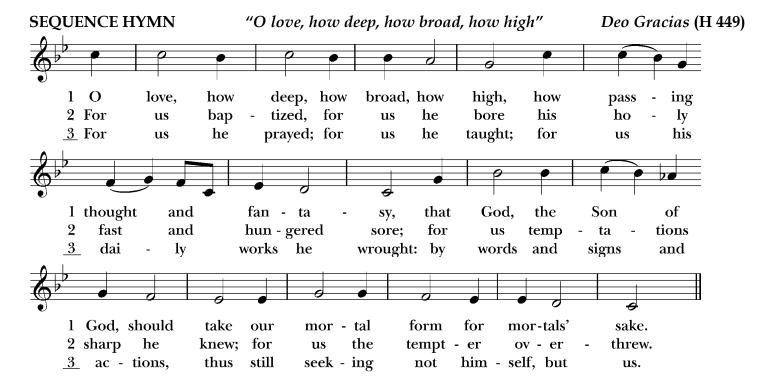
⁷The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; * all his commandments are sure.

⁸They stand fast for ever and ever, * because they are done in truth and equity.

⁹He sent redemption to his people;

he commanded his covenant forever; * holy and awesome is his Name.

¹⁰The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; * those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures forever.



THE GOSPEL: Mark 1:21-28

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord. **People: Praise to you, Lord Christ**

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Maureen Carey

The congregation remains seated while the children return to their seats.

This is the day, this is the day, that the Lord has made, that the Lord has made. We will rejoice, we will rejoice, and be glad in it, and be glad in it. This is the day that the Lord has made! We will rejoice and be glad in it! This is the day!
This is the day that the Lord has made

THE SERMON Fr. Winston Welty

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The celebrant and people respond to each prayer as the members of the parish lead the prayers from their pews.

Celebrant: With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Gracious God, hear our prayer."

We pray for the Church and for the world, Gracious God, **Hear our prayer.**

We ask God's blessing on our presiding Bishop, Michael, and our own bishops, Mark and Gayle and other ministers. Sustain and guide them by your Holy Spirit. Gracious God, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for all victims of violence and the injustices of war. We pray for the people of Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, and North Africa and all who suffer from civil unrest. Bless all peacekeepers around the world. Gracious God,

Hear our prayer.

We give thanks for all the blessings that have graced our lives and are grateful for all those who have filled our lives with joy and love. Gracious God,

Hear our prayer.

We offer prayers for all those suffering from economic hardship and personal loss. Give them hope and perseverance to rebuild their lives. Gracious God,

Hear our prayer.

We offer prayers for all who are suffering in mind, body or spirit and that all may be given the assurance of God's Presence. You are invited to name them at this time, silently or aloud. Gracious God,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for all who have died. May they have a place in your eternal kingdom. You are invited to name others at this time, silently or aloud.

Gracious God,

Hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Dear Lord, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept

and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, but as you know

and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Seashells

Children are invited to place their seashells over their heart, sharing silently with God any mistakes or concerns from this week. The children are then invited up to the altar steps to place their seashells in the bucket. The water is poured over the seashells as a symbolic reminder and learning opportunity that God always forgives us and we are always forgiven and renewed.

CONFESSION OF SIN

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

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Holy Communion

Celebrant: Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.

OFFERTORY HYMN

"God Be In My Head"

Hal H. Hopson

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

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

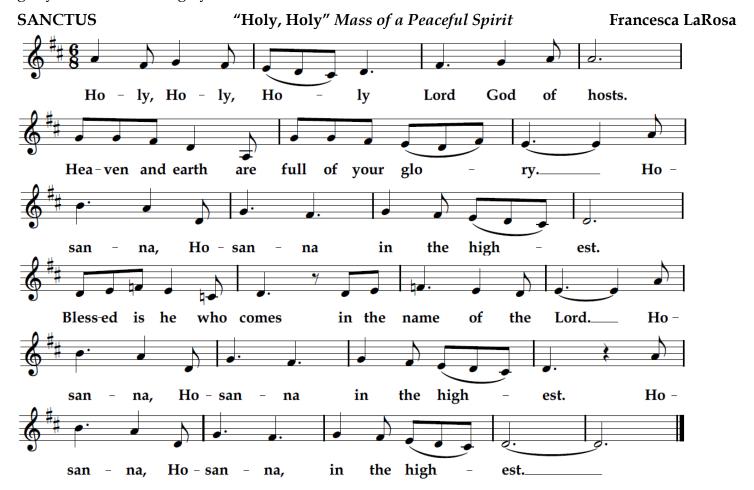
Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore, we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:



The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer:

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving, We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; Lord God of our mothers, Sarah, Rebekka, Leah, and Rachel. God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace

only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Almighty God, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **Amen.**

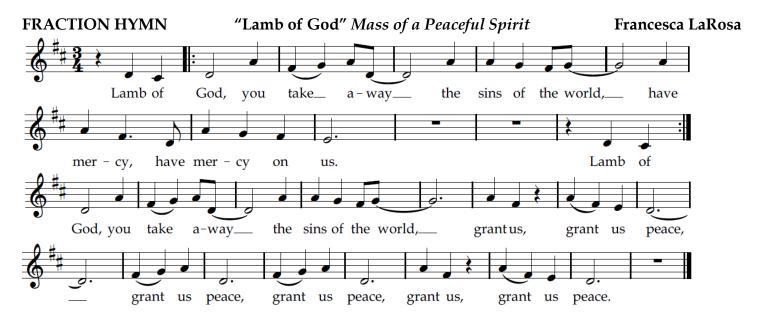
THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

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.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.



Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Jesus invites the whole world to be in a relationship with him. This is our Lord's Table where bread and wine are blessed and broken and shared in remembrance of Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your needs known to the ushers.

Due to public health concerns, if you prefer to dip your wafer in the chalice, please have the chalice bearer or celebrant do it for you.

A healing minister will be near the entrance to provide healing prayers for anyone who would like a prayer for themselves or someone else during the distribution of the Holy Eucharist. All are welcome.





POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

RECESSIONAL

"Day by Day" from Godspell

Stephen Schwartz

Day by day
Day by day
Oh, Dear Lord
Three things I pray
To see thee more clearly
Love thee more dearly
Follow thee more nearly
Day by day

DISMISSAL

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

People: Thanks be to God. Allelulia!



Prayer List

Pray for those who suffer in body, mind or spirit: Connor, Norma, John, Michele, Beth, Jim, Megan, Zachary, Akachi, Valerie, and all those being prayed for by our prayer teams.

We pray for our clergy, vestry, discernment committee, ministries, church staff, school staff, parents, and children.

Loving God, we pray for all those who continue to be affected by the pandemic and natural disasters in the world.

We pray in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

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