



THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY  
HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II  
FEBRUARY 15, 2026  
11:00AM

*Quiet in the nave before the service helps us to mark sacred space and time.  
We invite you to use this time to prayerfully prepare for worship.  
Please remember to silence your cell phone.*

**Voluntary**

*Spiritual: Round About the Mountain*

Noel Da Costa

**The Word of God**

**Hymn 137, Standing, sung by all**

*O wondrous type! O vision fair* WAREHAM

**The Opening Acclamation**

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

*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

**Gloria S202, Sung by all**

Healey Willan

*The letter "S" in front of a number refers to the service music, which is found in the front section of the Hymnal*

**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.**

**The First Reading, Seated**

**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 2**, *Please join the choir in singing the bold portions of the Psalm*

*Tone IV.4*



1 Why are the nations / in an uproar? \*

Why do the peo-/ples mutter empty threats?

2 Why do the kings of the earth rise up in revolt,  
and the princes / plot together, \*

against the Lord and a-/against his Anointed?

3 "Let us / break their yoke," they say; \*

"let us / cast off their bonds from us."

4 **He whose throne is in heav-/en is laughing; \***  
the Lord has / them in derision.

5 Then he speaks to them / in his wrath, \*  
and his rage / fills them with terror.

6 **"I myself have / set my king \***  
upon my ho-/ly hill of Zion."

7 Let me announce the decree / of the Lord: \*  
he said to me, "You are my Son; this day / have I begotten you.

8 **Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for / your inheritance \***  
and the ends of the earth / for your possession.

9 You shall crush them / with an iron rod \*  
and shatter them like / a piece of pottery."

10 **And now, you / kings, be wise; \***  
be warned, / you rulers of the earth.

11 Submit to the / Lord with fear, \*  
and with tremb-/ling bow before him;

12 **Lest he be angry / and you perish; \***  
for his wrath / is quickly kindled.

13 Happy / are they all \*  
who / take refuge in him!

## Second Reading

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.**

**Hymn 129, Standing, sung by all**

*Christ upon the mountain peak* MOWSLEY

*During the sequence hymn, children aged 4 through 4<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to follow the children’s cross out to Children’s Chapel. Parents are always welcome to attend. All will return during the Peace.*

## The Holy Gospel

Matthew 17:1-9

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

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

Six days later, 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.”

*Gospeler*      The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Melissa M. Hartley

<b>The Nicene Creed, Standing</b>	358
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<b>The Confession and Absolution, Standing or kneeling</b>	360
<b>The Peace, Standing</b>	

## The Holy Communion

<b>The Offertory Anthem</b>	<i>I believe this is Jesus</i>	Undine Smith Moore
	I believe this is Jesus;	
	Come and see, oh, come and see.	
	The light of God shines in his face,	
	He offers all his pard'ning grace;	
	Come and see, oh, come and see.	
	Yes, yes, yes Lord!	
	Oh, I believe this is Jesus;	
	Come and see, come and see.	
	—traditional Spiritual	

<b>Presentation Hymn 127, st. 5, Standing, sung by all</b>	STUGGART
Jesus, whom the Gentiles worshipped at thy glad epiphany, unto thee, with God the father and the Spirit, glory be.	

### **The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B**

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	<b>And also with you.</b>
<i>Celebrant</i>	Lift up your hearts.
<i>People</i>	<b>We lift them to the Lord.</b>
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<i>People</i>	<b>It is right to give him thanks and praise.</b>

*Celebrant* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth....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:

<b>Sanctus S114, Sung by all</b>	Willan
Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.	
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.	
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.	

*Standing or kneeling*

*Celebrant* 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;**

*Celebrant* 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.**

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

**The Lord's Prayer, Said by all**

**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 for ever and ever. Amen.**

## The Breaking of the Bread

### **Agnus Dei S158, Sung by all**

Willan

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest way the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

## The Invitation to Communion

*Regardless of the denomination of your baptism, you are invited to receive Holy Communion in the Episcopal Church. If you would like to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest. If you are interested in being baptized please speak with a clergy person after the service or contact the church office. Gluten free wafers available upon request.*

### **Music during Communion**

*Visionem*

Plainsong

Tell no one about the vision that you have had this day until the Son of Man has risen from the dead. *Ps.* The Lord is King; let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of the isles be glad. The heavens proclaim his righteousness, and all the peoples behold his glory.

(Matthew 17; Psalm 97)

### **Hymn 328**

*Draw nigh and take the Body of the Lord* SONG 46

*Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendor* ST. OSMUND

1 Lord, en - throned in heaven - ly splen - dour, first be -  
2 Here our hum - blest hom - age pay we; here in  
3 Though the low - liest form doth veil thee as of  
4 Pas - chal Lamb, thine of - fering, fin - ished once for  
5 Life - im - part - ing heaven - ly Man - na, strick - en

got - ten from the dead, thou a - lone, our strong de -  
lov - ing rev - erence bow; here for faith's dis - cern - ment  
old in Beth - le - hem, here as there thine an - gels  
all when thou wast slain, in its full - ness un - di -  
Rock with stream - ing side, heaven and earth with loud hos -

fend - er, lift - est up thy peo - ple's head.  
pray we, lest we fail to know thee now.  
hail thee, branch and flower of Jes - se's stem.  
min - ished shall for ev - er - more re - main,  
san - na wor - ship thee, the Lamb who died,

Al - le - lu - ia, Je - sus, true and liv - ing bread!  
Al - le - lu - ia, thou art here, we ask not how.  
Al - le - lu - ia, we in wor - ship join with them.  
al - le - lu - ia, cleans - ing souls from ev - ery stain.  
al - le - lu - ia, risen, as - cend - ed, glo - ri - fied!

*When Lay Eucharistic Visitors are sent forth to take communion to the sick or homebound, the following is offered:*

**Celebrant** We send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

**People** **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

**The Postcommunion Prayer, Said by all, standing or kneeling**

365

**Celebrant** Let us pray.

**Celebrant and People** **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

**Hymn 618, Standing, sung by all** *Ye watchers and ye holy ones* LASST UNS ERFREUEN

## The Dismissal

*The Deacon offers a dismissal followed by:*

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

**Voluntary**

*Variations on Nettleton*

Undine S. Moore

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Joe and Sue McDaniel by Laura, Lucy, Ed and Mike.*

**CELEBRANT** The Rev. Michael Goldsmith

**PREACHER** The Rev. Dr. Melissa M. Hartley

**ASSISTING** The Rev. Rose Veal Eby

**DEACON** The Rev. Dn. Dr. Robert A. Serio

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