

# Order of Worship

**Prelude:** "Andante in C"

Gustav Merkel

## Procession

Songs of thankfulness and praise (*Salzburg*)

**Hymn 135**

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

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

## Collect for Purity

**BCP pg. 355**

## Glory to God

**Hymn S 204**

## 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.**

## The First Lesson

**2 Kings 2:1-12**

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent." Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent." Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

**Psalm** *The congregation sings the entire Psalm as a chant (S-415).*

**50:1-6**



- 1 The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken; \*  
he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
- 2 Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, \*  
God reveals himself in glory.
- 3 Our God will come and will not keep silence; \*  
before him there is a consuming flame, and round about him a  
raging storm.
- 4 He calls the heavens and the earth from above \*  
to witness the judgment of his people.
- 5 "Gather before me my loyal followers, \*  
those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with  
sacrifice."
- 6 Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; \*  
for God himself is judge.

## The Second Lesson

**2 Corinthians 4:3-6**

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

## Sequence

On wondrous type! (*Wareham*)

**Hymn 137**

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

**People Glory to you, Lord Christ**

## The Gospel of the Lord

**Mark 9:2-9**

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## The Sermon

The Rev. Beth Magill

## The Nicene Creed

**BCP pg. 358**

## The Prayers of the People

For the St. Michael's community here present, and the light of Christ in our lives, we now pray. For the ministry of all baptized persons; for bishops, priests, and deacons throughout the church, especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Shannon, Susan, and Robert, our bishops, and Beth our priest.

The Lord has shown forth his glory: **Come, Let us adore him.**

For this nation where we make our home, and all nations, especially those in conflict, we now pray. Fill our leaders with courage and wisdom, especially Donald, our President, Ralph our Governor, and the members of the Arlington County Board.

The Lord has shown forth his glory: **Come, Let us adore him.**

For the courage to be beacons of reconciliation and love throughout the world, we now pray. Be present with all those who seek belonging, spiritually, physically, and politically. May we always remember the story of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, as they sought belonging in a conflicted world.

The Lord has shown forth his glory: **Come, Let us adore him.**

For those in Arlington and throughout our region who long for your love, we now pray. Give us new eyes to see with clarity those corners of our community where we have been afraid to visit, and those whom we have easily looked past.

The Lord has shown forth his glory: **Come, Let us adore him.**

For all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, we now pray. For those who seek healing, grant wholeness. For those who desire peace, make your presence known. For those who are longing, make clear a path. For all those whom we name either silently or aloud at this time.

The Lord has shown forth his glory: **Come, Let us adore him.**

For those whom we love, but see no longer, we now pray. Dwell with us in knowledge of your everlasting presence, as we face the horizon of our own mortality, and seek communion with all your saints.

The Lord has shown forth his glory: **Come, Let us adore him.**

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

## Confession of Sin

**BCP Pg. 360**

## The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People And also with you.**

*We greet one another, passing the peace of God.*

## Announcements

## Preparation of the Table

### Offertory Anthem

Ave Verum (*Wolfgang A. Mozart*)

### Presentation of Offerings

From all that dwell the skies {Verse 3}(*Old 100th*)

**Hymn 380**

### The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic prayer B)

**BCP pg. 367**

### Sanctus

**Hymn S 130**

### The Eucharistic Prayer Continues

**BCP pg. 368**

### The Lord's Prayer

**BCP pg. 364**

### The Breaking of the Bread

**Hymn S 152**

### Communion

*Gluten free wafers are available, ask the priest at the altar rail.*

### Communion

Alleluia! Alleluia! (*Alleluia No. 1*)

**Hymn 178**

### Post Communion Prayer

**BCP pg. 365**

### Annual Meeting

### Blessing

### Recessional

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus (*Hyfrydol*)

**Hymn 460**

### Dismissal

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### Postlude "Variations on Hyfrydol"

Pritchard/Burgeon/Anderson

## Readings for Next Sunday

Genesis 9:8-17 † Psalm 25:1-9  
1 Peter 3:18-22 † Mark 1:9-15

## Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the birthday of Michael Huston by his mother, Fran Olsen.

## Those Serving Today

Lectors  
Lay Eucharistic Ministers  
Acolytes  
Ushers  
Welcoming Ministry  
St. Clare  
Children's Chapel  
Altar Guild  
Nursing Home Ministry

Dave Wright, Tim Matlack  
Sandra Phaup, Dan Plafcan  
Adam Ruff, Ryan Sullivan, Wil Harkins  
Cindy Matlack, Dean Scribner  
Roberta Thibodaux  
Zoe Korejwo  
Terri Katon  
Barb Adams, Terri Katon  
Molly French, Carole French,  
Mary Falkey (Music)  
Fran Olsen, Nancy Tate

Counters

## This Week at St. Michael's

Sun., Feb. 11  
*Epiphany Last*

8:15 AM  
9:00 AM  
9:00 AM  
10:45 AM  
2:00 PM  
2:00 PM  
4:00 PM

Choir Rehearsal  
Children's Chapel  
Holy Eucharist II and Annual Meeting  
Nursing Home Service at Regency  
Wholly Knit and Whine  
Brownie Troop  
Homeless Bagged Meal Preparation

Mon., Feb. 12

11:00 AM  
7:00 PM

Office closed  
Meals on Wheels  
Women of Wisdom

Tue., Feb. 13

6:00 PM  
7:30 PM

Pancake Supper  
Finance Committee

Wed., Feb. 14

7:00 AM  
9:30 AM  
11:00 AM  
12:00 PM

Holy Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes  
Lenten Good Book Club  
Meals on Wheels  
Holy Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes

Thu., Feb. 15

7:30 PM  
9:00 AM

Holy Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes  
Morning Prayer

Fri., Feb. 16

1:30 PM  
3:00 PM  
8:30 PM

Bridge Group  
Bible Challenge and Beyond(ers)  
Al-Anon

Sat., Feb. 17

10:30 AM  
7:00 PM

Yoga  
Quiz Nite

Sun., Feb. 18  
*Lent I*

8:00 AM  
9:00 AM  
9:00 AM  
10:00 AM  
10:00 AM  
10:45 AM  
2:00 PM

Holy Eucharist II  
Choir Rehearsal  
Lenten Good Book Club  
Holy Eucharist II  
Children's Chapel  
Nursing Home Service at Regency  
Wholly Knit and Whine



# Service Bulletin

## Sunday, 11 February 2018

## The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

### Welcome!

Welcome if this is your first time with us! Welcome if you've been with us for a long time. You honor us with your presence, and we look forward to knowing you better. The root of the word "liturgy" is "the work of the people." Meaning all that happens in the sanctuary with the community who gathers works because of your participation. The beautiful thing about this invitation to participate is that, who we are and what we bring is enough because God meets us here! So don't worry about "doing" anything "right." Whether you've been to Episcopal services since you were a baby, or this is your first, we hope you'll worship in the way that is most comfortable to you. The service instructions about standing, kneeling, and other directions are intended to help clue you into the habits of this particular community.

The words of our worship service are lifted from the Episcopal (and before that Anglican) tradition. The thing that sets us apart from other denominations is our dedication to Common Prayer. These same words have been used for hundreds of years by people all over the world, and are still used today. The hope of finding ourselves in the midst of this ancient tradition is that we might both learn from those who have come before, and add our own voices to the heavenly chorus.

Sounds from children, young and old, are a valuable part of our prayer life – not a distraction from it! Families are encouraged to sit in the front of the sanctuary, allowing children as many opportunities to follow along and participate as possible. We do offer nursery care and children's chapel for those who would prefer an offering specifically catered to children.

The BCP stands for the Book of Common Prayer, which is the red book found on the shelf in the pews. The 1982 Hymnal and Wonder Love and Praise (WLP) books contain songs of our tradition, which may be found on the racks in the pews.

## St. Michael's Vestry

Class of 2018 Dwight Denson, Tom Sheldon, Karen Ruff (*Sr. Warden*)  
Class of 2019 Julia Carter, Mary Cushing (*Jr. Warden*), Dan Plafcan  
Class of 2020 Michele Casciano, Penny Jones (*Register*), Molly White

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