The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

14 February 2021
11 a.m. Choral Eucharist
The Holy Eucharist

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Welcome to Grace Cathedral — online! You are invited to participate in this service as you are able, by standing, sitting, praying and singing aloud as you may be moved. We may not be with you to hear you, but we join our prayers with yours, and offer them to God with joyful hearts.

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Voluntary

La Transfiguration

Dom Paul Benoit

Procession

Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

Gloria in excelsis

(See BCP p. 356 for text)

Sung in Latin.

Charles Wood

Communion Service in F major

Choir Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God’s people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Presider May God be with you.

People And also with you.

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.
Now 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 50: 1–6

The people remain seated.

John Renke

Antiphon

Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God reveals himself in glory.

Choir

The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken; *
he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, *
God reveals himself in glory.

All

Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God reveals himself in glory.

Our God will come and will not keep silence; *
before him there is a consuming flame,
and round about him a raging storm.

He calls the heavens and the earth from above *
to witness the judgment of his people.

All

Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God reveals himself in glory.

“Gather before me my loyal followers, *
those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice.”

Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; *
for God himself is judge.

All

Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God reveals himself in glory.

The Second Reading

2 Corinthians 4: 3–6

Reader

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

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.

The Word of the Lord.

All

Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel

The choir alone sings the first Alleluia, then the people join in.

Mark 9: 2–9

Choir

This is my son, my beloved;

People

in whom I am well pleased.

All repeat the three Alleluias.
Before the reading

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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.

After the Gospel

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

A period of silence may follow.

The Rev. Anna E. Rossi

Succentor

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. 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

Radiant Christ, hear our prayer.

The presider adds a concluding collect.

The Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

Announcements

Announcements about your cathedral home, and the many ways you can be a part of this vibrant community
The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

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Hymn 137

Sung by all, standing.

Wareham

1 O wondrous type! O vision fair of glory
2 With Moses and Elijah night incarnate
3 With shining face and bright array, Christ deigns to
4 And faithful hearts are raised on high by this great
5 O Father, with the eternal Son, and Holy

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer II b, Scottish Episcopal Church

Presider The Lord be with you.
All And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Presider, continuing ...we offer you our praise, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven singing the hymn of your unending glory:
Sanctus (WLP-859) Sung by all. Ronald Arnatt

(Organ)

All Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

(The choir alone)

All heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry.

Ho-san-na, Ho-san-na, Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Ho-san-na, Ho-san-na, Ho-san-na in the high-est.

text: trad.; music: by Ronald Arnatt (b. 1930)

Presider concluding Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be to you, Lord of all ages, world without end.
All AMEN.

The Lord’s Prayer
Presider Let us pray together, each in the language of our heart, as our Savior Christ has taught us:
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
Presider The Bread is broken. Silence follows.

People Alleluia. Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.

The bread which we break is the communion of the body of Christ. Alleluia.

Invitation to Communion

Presider The Gifts of God for the people of God.

Agnus Dei

Choir Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.
Let us pray. Luminous God,

You have prepared a place for us
at the banquet of unending joy,
you have nourished us
through Christ and one another;
Show forth among us a new heaven,
and shape through us a new earth,
healed and freed in the light of your Beloved,
even Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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at the banquet of unending joy,
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even Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn 135

Sung by all, standing.

Salzburg

1 Songs of thankfulness and praise, Je-sus, 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,

1 man-i-fest-ed by the star to the sa-ges from a-far;
2 and at Ca-na, wed-ding-guest, in thy God-head man-i-fest;
3 man-i-fest in val-i-ant fight, quell-ing all the dev-il’s might;
4 where dis-ci-ples filled with awe thy trans-fi-gured glo-ry saw.

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

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

text: Adapted for local use; Sts. 1-3, Christopher Wordworth (1807-1885); st. 4, F. Bland Tucker (1894-1984);
music: melody Jakob Hintze (1622-1702); harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)
The Sending Forth

The Blessing and Dismissal

The presider pronounces God’s blessing.

Presider

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God....

All

Amen.

Deacon

Let us bless the Lord.

All

Thanks be to God.

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Fantasy on Wareham

Searle Wright

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Serving the assembly

Presider

The Very Rev. Dr. Malcolm Clemens Young, Dean

Homilist

The Rev. Anna E. Rossi, Succentor

Deacon

The Ven. Canon Nina Pickerrell, Archdeacon

Lector

Charles P. Shipley III, Head Verger

Musician

Christopher Keady, Assistant Director of Music