

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

*FINAL HYMN 398: "I sing the almighty power of God" *Forest Green*

POSTLUDE: Processional

William Mathias

Today's Celebrant & Servers

Officiant-The Reverend Matthew R. Stromberg

Associate Organist- Andrew Krystopolski

Crucifer/Acolytes-, Alice Polumbo, Steve Hartz, JJ Moran

Thurifer-Chris Henry, MC-David Kennison

Greeters: Jim Wingate & Anne Duff, Lector: Grant Jaquith

Counters: Chris Henry & Paul Smigelski

WELCOME GUESTS-We are glad that you are with us today! Please complete a visitor card and give it to Father Matt as you leave and please consider joining us for a coffee reception in the Great Hall after the service. Please note that Sunday School is available for children ages 3-8 during Mass upstairs in the Great Hall.

BIBLE STUDY Join us Sundays at 9am in the Shaw Lounge (Great Hall) as we begin a new Bible Study on the Book of Hebrews. In our first session we will look at the first chapter and discuss the place of angels and the uniqueness and supremacy of Christ in relation to all of God's messengers.

THEOLOGY ON TAP Our next date for theology on tap are Feb 8th at the Van Dyck 7:30 PM. The topic will be, "What does it mean to call Jesus GOD?"

LENTEN SUPPER SERIES Beginning 2/11 and running throughout Lent (with the exception of 2/25) St. George's will be hosting a Lenten discussion series Sunday evenings at 6PM based on Anglican Bishop NT Wright's Surprised by Hope. In six transforming, faith-inspiring sessions, Wright, a premiere biblical scholar, opens your eyes to the amazing full scope of what God's Word has to say about the world to come and the world that is. Sessions will include a potluck supper. Sign up sheet pending.

FAURE REQUIEM On the evening of Sunday 2/25 3PM join us for a special Evening Service featuring the Music of the Faure Requiem. A number of guest will join the St Cecilia choir to offer this beautiful evening of music as the final service of Andrew Krystopolski's time as musical director at St. George's.

ALL ON THE SAME PAGE St. George's book club will meet on April 8th following the 10 AM Mass. The title is "Behold the Dreamers"

CITY MISSION FOOD PANTRY- St George's maintains ongoing support through donations to the City Mission Food Pantry. Please remember the food pantry when doing your grocery shopping as your contributions assist those who are not able to consistently realize proper nutrition for themselves or their families.

WEEKLY SHAPENOTE SINGING Every Wednesday Sacred Harp tunebook in the Great Hall. More information at albansacredharp.org. **Schedule:** February 7th and 28 in the Great Hall 6-8:30 PM, February 15th Canceled Ash Wednesday, February 22nd 6-8:30 in the Nott Memorial Union College.

THIS WEEK AT ST. GEORGE'S

Sunday, February 4 THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

9:00 Bible Study

9:30 AM Prayer

10:00 AM Mass, Rite I

11:20 AM ALM Meeting in Choir Room

Monday, February 5 The Martyrs of Japan

Tuesday, February 6 Titus, Bishop and Confessor

8:30 AM Morning Prayer

9:00 AM Rite I Mass

5:00 PM Evening Prayer

Wednesday, February 7 Feria

8:30 AM Morning Prayer

5:00PM Evening Prayer

Thursday, February 8 Feria

8:30 AM Morning Prayer

9:00 AM Mass Rite II

2:00 ALM Glen Eddy

5:00 PM Evening Prayer

Friday, February 9 Feria

8:30 AM Morning Prayer

12:15 PM Mass, Rite I

5:00 PM Evening Prayer

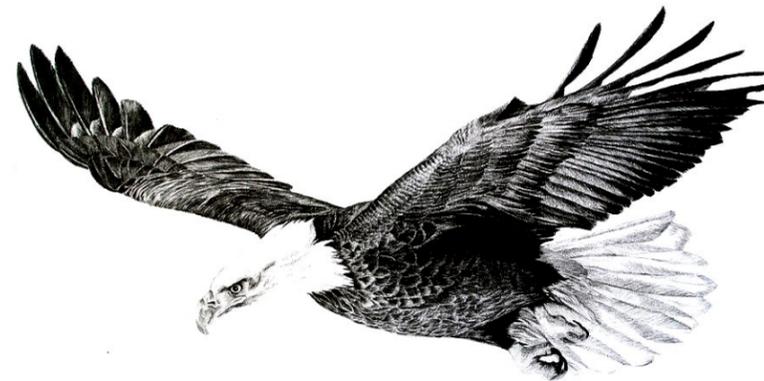
Saturday, February 10 Scholastica, Virgin and First Benedictine

Parish Intercessions-Dorothy, Larry, Bob H., Joan P., Jill, Aileen, Craig, Shirley, Nicholas, Kate, Robert H., Martha, Loren & family, Pat, Dagmar Mary, Pat R., Douglas, Alice, Patricia, George, Katherine, Michele, Ken, Polly, Christian, Francis, Richard, and Sam.

Birthdays: Rich Forshaw 2/4, Isaac Furnish 2/4

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**Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,
they shall mount up with wings like eagles**

-Isaiah 40:31

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February 4, 2018

The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

PRELUDE: Benedictus, Antiphon, Morning Hymn Gordon Young

HYMN 1: "Father, we praise thee" *Christe sanctorum*

INTROIT: *I will magnify thee, O God my King; and I will praise thy name forever and ever; as for me I will be talking of thy glory and thy praise, and thy wondrous works. Praise the Lord, O my soul; as long as I have my being; I will sing praises unto my God. Glory be...*

OPENING SENTENCE (BCP 323):

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

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY (BCP 323)

kneel

Celebrant begins: Let us pray

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON: S-91 "Missa Sancta Maria Magdalena" Healey Willan

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS: S-202 *found in the front section of *The Hymnal 1982*

COLLECT OF THE DAY:

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us, we beseech thee, the liberty of that abundant life which thou hast manifested to us in thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE FIRST READING: Isaiah 40:21-31

Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing.

Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 147:1-12,21c Laudate Dominum chant by George M. Garrett

- 1 Hallelujah!
How good it is to sing praises to our God! *
how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!
- 2 The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem; *
he gathers the exiles of Israel.
- 3 He heals the brokenhearted *
and binds up their wounds.
- 4 He counts the number of the stars *
and calls them all by their names.
- 5 Great is our LORD and mighty in power; *
there is no limit to his wisdom.
- 6 The LORD lifts up the lowly, *
but casts the wicked to the ground.
- 7 Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; *
make music to our God upon the harp.
- 8 He covers the heavens with clouds *
and prepares rain for the earth;
- 9 He makes grass to grow upon the mountains *
and green plants to serve mankind.
- 10 He provides food for flocks and herds *
and for the young ravens when they cry.
- 11 He is not impressed by the might of a horse; *
he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;
- 12 But the LORD has pleasure in those who fear him, *
in those who await his gracious favor.
- 21 Hallelujah!

THE EPISTLE: 1 Corinthians 9: 16-23

If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. What then is my reward? Just this: that in my

proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN 567: "Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old" *St. Matthew*

ALLELUIA: *O be joyful in the Lord all ye lands; serve the Lord with gladness.*

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 1: 29-39 *stand*

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

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

After Jesus and his disciples left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them. That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to thee, O Christ

THE SERMON

Fr. Matt Stromberg

NICENE CREED (BCP 327)

stand

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (BCP 328)

CONFESSION (BCP 331)

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we earnestly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

Officiant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen .

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY SENTENCE: *It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord; and to sing praises unto thy name; O most highest.*

***OFFERTORY HYMN 381:** "Thy strong word did cleave the darkness"

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (BCP 333)

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings:

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

Celebrant: *It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God... Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying...*

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS: S-114

Healey Willan

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER I: (BCP 334)

kneel

LORD'S PRAYER

THE FRACTION (BCP 337):

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!

People: Therefore Let us keep the feast

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be with you

People: And with thy spirit

AGNUS DEI: S-158

Healey Willan

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS (BCP 337):

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Celebrant: Behold the lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world

People: Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof but speak the word only and I shall be healed

THE ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION:

(All baptized Christians may receive, regardless of age or denomination.)

COMMUNION SENTENCE: *I will go to the altar of God; even unto the God of my joy and gladness..*

COMMUNION MOTET: "Draw us in thy Spirit's tether" Harold Freidell
POST COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP 339):