

FINAL HYMN 135: “Songs of thankfulness and praise”

POSTLUDE: Fanfare

Today’s Celebrant & Servers:

Celebrant - 9 AM & 11:15 AM - The Reverend Matthew R. Stromberg

Organist & Director of Music—Mr. Andrew R. Krystopolski

Crucifer-Dan Machold or Colton Jaquith

Thurifer-Christopher Henry

MC 9 AM-David Kennison, MC & Lector 11:15 AM-Kevin Grace

Lector 9 AM-Jim Wingate

Greeters 9 AM-Jane Moran & Jim Wingate

Counters—Louisa Carr & Gene Delong

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 the 9:00am service. The class meets on the second floor of the Great Hall (adjacent to our parking lot on Green St.).

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER-The St. Cecilia Choir invites you to a Pancake Supper on Tuesday, February 28th in The Great Hall. The dinner begins at 5:30pm. Tickets are only \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids 12 and under. Please invite your friends. The more, the merrier. Call the office to reserve a table early. Tickets are selling like hotcakes!!!! All proceeds benefit St. George’s Music Ministry.

TENEBRAE CHOIR-Rehearsals will begin today at 10:25 in the choir room and will be held on subsequent Sundays until Palm Sunday. Tenebrae is on April 12.

ASH WEDNESDAY-The first of the forty days of Lent, named for the custom of placing blessed ashes on the foreheads of worshipers at Ash Wednesday services. The ashes are a sign of penitence and a reminder of mortality, and are imposed with the sign of the cross. Join us at 8am or 7pm and for Mass and Imposition of Ashes.

LENTEN SERIES-Join us for a DVD presentation and discussion featuring Robert Barron in an engaging teaching series concerning the seven deadly sins, those great spiritual blocks that inhibit our flourishing in relationship with God and one another. Based on Dante’s writings, the seven deadly sins correspond to the seven stories of Dante’s Mt. Purgatory. Pride, envy, anger, sloth, gluttony, avarice and lust are all presented as patterns of dysfunction within us that lead to unhappiness. However, Bishop Barron shows us how to counteract these seven sinful patterns through a conscious process of opposition, which are the seven lively virtues. The seven lively virtues offer antidotes to each sin and help set us on the right path to healing and happiness. Sunday Nights at 6:30pm from today, 2/26-4/9. There is a sign up sheet in the back of the church to provide meals.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS-A devotion to the Passion of Christ which recalls a series of events at the end of Jesus’ life from his condemnation to his burial. The Way of the Cross imitates the practice of visiting the places of Jesus’ Passion in the Holy Land by early Christian pilgrims. We are offering it Fridays at 1pm and Sundays, between services, at 10:30am.

SOCKS & UNDERWEAR FOR SCHENECTADY SCHOOL CHILDREN

For Lent, and through Easter (4/16), St George’s will be collecting children’s socks and underwear for Schenectady school children in partnership with Schenectady County Schools social worker, Laura DeNofio. Children occasionally come to school improperly clothed or experience mishaps during the day which impedes their ability to learn. Your donation of children’s underwear, sizes 5 to 10, and/or socks can be placed in the hamper located at the back of the church. Thank you for your support.

ALL ON THE SAME PAGE-The next meeting of club members will be between Masses on March 19th. The book selection for that meeting is "Barkskins" by Annie Proulx. It is a fictional account of two humble French immigrants brought to North America in the 17th century to work as loggers. The story spans three centuries, following the successes and failures of the two immigrants’ families, the inexorable growth of the timber industry, and the resulting impact on our continent’s ecology and native population.

MEAL TRAIN FOR NEW MOM-On New Years day Karoline Chrzanowski-Sears gave birth to a beautiful baby girl named Allison. If you would like to provide a meal for the family (her and her husband), April Stromberg has created a meal train at <https://mealtrain.com/dmmnvv> You can log on and sign up.

Salzburg
Michael Helman

TELEVISION SCHEDULE-The schedule of taped masses on TV channel 16 are as follows: Sunday’s @ 4:00pm, Thursday’s @ 1:00pm & Friday’s @ 2:00pm. They can also be seen on Albany TV channel 18 on Thursday’s @ 6:30pm.

This Week at St. George’s

Sunday, February 26

The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

8:30 AM Morning Prayer

9:00 AM Mass, Rite I

10:25 AM Tenebrae chant rehearsal *choir room*

11:15 AM Mass, Rite II

6:30 PM Lenten Supper & Discussion

Monday, February 27 (Rectors day off) *George Herbert*

4:30 PM Evening Prayer

Oswald, Abbot at York

Tuesday, February 28

8:30 AM Morning Prayer

9:00 AM Mass, Rite I

5:00 PM Evening Prayer

5:30-7:00 PM Pancake Supper

Wednesday, March 1

ASH WEDNESDAY ✝

7:30 AM Morning Prayer

8:00 AM Mass & Imposition of Ashes

6:00 PM Choir Call

6:30 PM Evening Prayer

7:00 PM Mass & Imposition of Ashes

Thursday, March 2

Lenten Feria

8:30 AM Morning Prayer

9:00 AM Mass, Rite II

5:00 PM Evening Prayer

Friday, March 3

Lenten Feria

8:30 AM Morning Prayer

12:15 PM Mass, Rite II

1:00 PM Stations of the Cross

5:00 PM Evening Prayer

Saturday, March 4

Lenten Feria

Parish Intercessions: Dorothy, Ed, Larry, Bob H., Joan P., Jill, Aileen, Craig, Shirley, Nicholas, Kate, Robert H., Martha, Loren & family, Pat, Dagmar Mary, Pat R., Amelia, Andrea, Carolyn, Kaila, Rick B., Barbara T., Douglas and Sandra Lee, Louisa, Vivian

Birthdays-Karen Forshaw, 2/27

HAPPY BIRTHDAY KAREN!!

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February 26, 2017

The Last Sunday After the Epiphany

PRELUDE: “Allegro” from Sonate II CPE Bach (1714-1788)

HYMN 137: “O wondrous type! O vision fair” Wareham

INTROIT: *The lightnings shone upon the ground; the earth was moved and shook withal. O how amiable are thy dwellings, thou Lord of Hosts; my soul hath a desire and longing; to enter into the courts of the Lord. Glory be...*

OPENING SENTENCE:

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

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

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.

KYRIE ELISON: S-91 *(found in the front section of the blue Hymnal 1982)*

Lord, have mercy upon us. (3x)

Christ, have mercy upon us. (3x) “Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena”

Lord, have mercy upon us. (3x) by Healey Willan

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS : S-202

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who before the passion of thy only-begotten Son didst reveal his glory upon the holy mount: Grant unto 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 liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE OLD TESTAMENT: 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 99 *Dominus regnavit* (Sung by the choir)

Thomas Norris

1 The LORD is King;

let the people tremble; *

he is enthroned upon the cherubim;

let the earth shake.

2 The LORD is great in Zion; *

he is high above all peoples.

3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; *

he is the Holy One.

4 "O mighty King, lover of justice,

you have established equity; *

you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."

5 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God

and fall down before his footstool; *

he is the Holy One.

6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,

and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, *

they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.

7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; *

they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.

8 O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; *

you were a God who forgave them,

yet punished them for their evil deeds.

9 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God

and worship him upon his holy hill; *

for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

THE EPISTLE 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.

SEQUENCE HYMN 7: “Christ whose glory fills the skies”

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11:15 SEUQUENCE: “Here I am to Worship”

by Tim Hughes

ALLELUIA– *He is the brightness of the everlasting light; the unspotted mirror and*

the image of his goodness.

THE HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 17:1-9

stand

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

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

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.”

THE SERMON

Fr. Matthew Stromberg

THE NICENE CREED

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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

CONFESSION

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

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.

COMFORTABLE WORDS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY SENTENCE: *Riches and plenteousness shall be in his house; and his righteousness endureth for ever, alleluia.*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: “Christ upon the Mountain Peak”

Music: Paul Bouman

Text: Brian A. Wren (H#129)

11:15 OFFERTORY HYMN 129: “Christ upon the mountain peak”

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Stand

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

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 EUCHARISTIC PRAYER I (BCP 334)

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.... ...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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE FRACTION

Celebrant: Alleluia! 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

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 away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

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 shouldest 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: *Tell the vision which ye have seen to no man;*

until the Son of man be risen from the grave

COMMUNION HYMN 383: “Fairest Lord Jesus”

St. Elizabeth

COMMUNION HYMN 325: “Let us break bread together”

Spiritual

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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.