

SAINT MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Last Sunday after the Epiphany / World Mission Sunday

Sunday, February 15, 2026



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St. Mary's is:

Inspiring in Worship,
Loving Without Exception, and
Giving of Ourselves Completely

THE WORD *of* GOD

Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People: **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

THE WORD *of* GOD

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.

HYMN: *Songs of thankfulness and praise*

1 Songs of thankfulness and praise,
Jesus, Lord, to thee we raise,
manifested by the star
to the sages from afar;
branch of royal David's stem
in thy birth at Bethlehem;
anthems be to thee addressed,
God in man made manifest.

HYMN: *Songs of thankfulness and praise*

2 Manifest at Jordan's stream,
Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;
and at Cana, wedding-guest,
in thy Godhead manifest;
manifest in power divine,
changing water into wine;
anthems be to thee addressed,
God in man made manifest.

HYMN: *Songs of thankfulness and praise*

3 Manifest in making whole
palsied limbs and fainting soul;
manifest in valiant fight,
quelling all the devil's might;
manifest in gracious will,
ever bringing good from ill;
anthems be to thee addressed,
God in man made manifest.

HYMN: *Songs of thankfulness and praise*

4 Manifest on mountain height,
shining in resplendent light,
where disciples filled with awe
thy transfigured glory saw.

When from there thou leddest them
steadfast to Jerusalem,
cross and Easter Day attest
God in man made manifest.

THE COLLECT *of the* DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

THE 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.**

A READING *from the*
BOOK *of* 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

EXODUS 24:12-18

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

EXODUS 24:12-18

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: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 2

Quare fremuerunt gentes? | Read responsively by verse

- 1 Why are the nations in an uproar? *
Why do the peoples mutter empty threats?
- 2 **Why do the kings of the earth rise up in revolt,
and the princes plot together, *
against the LORD and against his Anointed?**

PSALM 2

- 3 “Let us break their yoke,” they say; *
“let us cast off their bonds from us.”
- 4 **He whose throne is in heaven 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 holy hill of Zion.”

PSALM 2

- 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.”

PSALM 2

- 10 **And now, you kings, be wise; ***
be warned, you rulers of the earth.
- 11 Submit to the LORD with fear, *
and with trembling 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!

A READING *from the*
SECOND *letter of* 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,

2 PETER 1:16-21

with whom I am well pleased.” We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

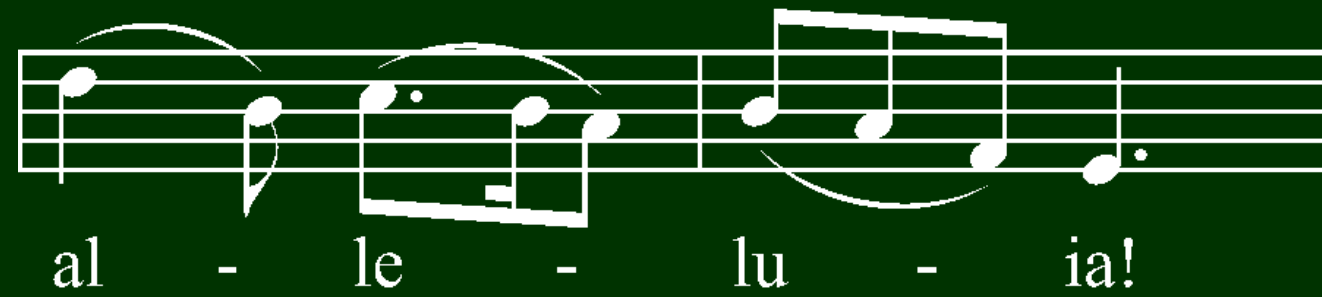
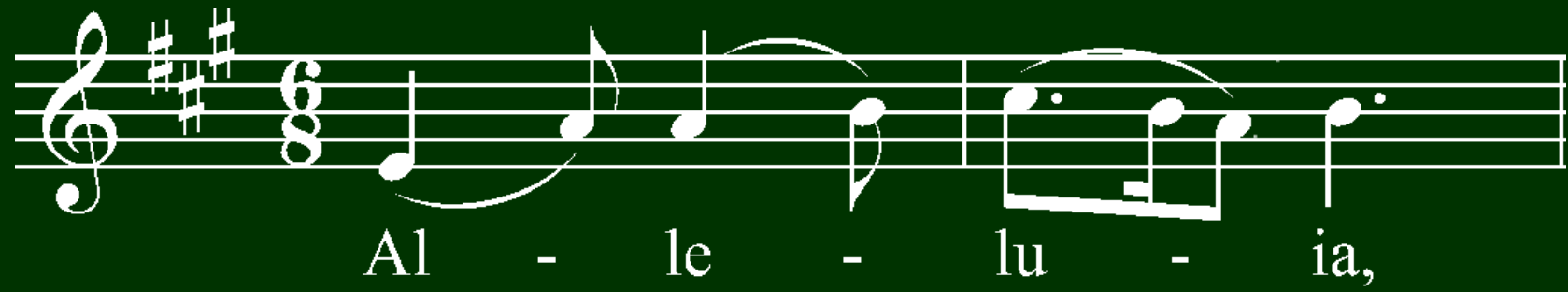
So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must

2 PETER 1:16-21

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: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

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



THE GOSPEL

Matthew 17:1-9

Gospeller:

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

People:

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 17:1-9

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,

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 17:1-9

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

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 17:1-9

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.”

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Amy Danielik

THE SERMON

The Rev'd Robert P. Travis

THE NICENE CREED

All stand and say together

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.

THE NICENE CREED

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.

THE NICENE CREED

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.

THE NICENE CREED

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. 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.

PRAYERS *of the* PEOPLE *for* MISSIONS

*The Leader and the People
pray responsively.*

Taken from the Kenyan Service of Holy Communion

Leader: Let us pray to the Lord our God. *(Pause in Silence)*
For the growth of God's Kingdom throughout the
world, We pray to you, O God.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

PRAYERS *of the* PEOPLE

For the ministry of the Holy Church of God to make disciples of all nations, especially in our Diocese and in our partner dioceses of Botswana and Costa Rica, most especially Santa Maria Siquierres, for The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean, Grace, Clayton, St. Clements, Clemmons, Christ Church, Cleveland.

Leader: We pray to you, O God.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

PRAYERS *of the* PEOPLE

For all baptized Christians, that they may discern their vocation to spread the Gospel at all times and in all places,

Leader: We pray to you, O God.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all who have not yet heard or believed in the Gospel, and those who may have the opportunity to declare it to them,

Leader: We pray to you, O God.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

PRAYERS *of the* PEOPLE

For all whose ministry it is to respond to human need and suffering, wherever it may be found, and for all who preach the Gospel and teach the truth,

Leader: We pray to you, O God.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

PRAYERS *of the* PEOPLE

For an increase in evangelism and ministries of mercy in our local community and abroad, that all people may come to know and enjoy your blessings,

Leader: We pray to you, O God.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

PRAYERS *of the* PEOPLE

For greater awareness and advocacy on behalf of the persecuted churches, wherever they may be found,

Leader: We pray to you, O God.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

PRAYERS *of the* PEOPLE

For all people driven from their homes by war, violence, and natural disaster and for the nations who receive them that you may provide, protect, and care for them,

Leader: We pray to you, O God.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

PRAYERS *of the* PEOPLE

For the poor, the hungry, and the oppressed people of the world, and all who suffer for the sake of the Gospel,

Leader: We pray to you, O God.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

PRAYERS *of the* PEOPLE

For the sick and infirm and those who minister to them,
especially Frankie, Nancy, Kathy, Diane, Joan, Bill, Cheryl,
Debbie, Barry, Pat, those on our parish prayer list and those
on the Daughters of the King prayer list,

The People may add their intercessions.

Leader: We pray to you, O God.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

PRAYERS *of the* PEOPLE

For all who have died in the hope of the Resurrection, and
those whose faith is known to you alone,

The People may add their intercessions.

Leader: We pray to you, O God.

People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

PRAYERS *of the* PEOPLE

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, now and forever.

Leader & People: **Amen.**

CONFESSION *of* SIN

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

CONFESSION *of* SIN

We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant: Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you
and scatter the darkness from before your path:
and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and
Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you
always.

Preacher: Jesus said, “As the Father has sent me, even so I
send you.” Go forth in peace.

People: **Thanks be to God**

THE BLESSING

Silence may be kept.

Celebrant:

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE *All stand*

Celebrant:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People:

And also with you.

Greet one another in the name of the Lord.

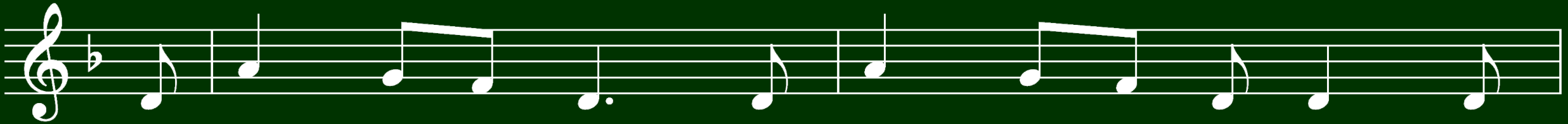
THE HOLY COMMUNION

All are seated as the altar is prepared.



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The Lord is my light, my light and sal-va-tion: In



God I trust, in God I trust.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Sung:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: “Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant & People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with The Ever Blessed Virgin

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Mary and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in
heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our
sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us
from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the
kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and
for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING *of the* BREAD

Celebrant: Holy things for holy people.

THE BREAKING *of the* BREAD

All are welcome at God's holy Altar. If you normally receive communion in another church, of any denomination, you are welcome to do so here. If you are drawn to Jesus, but not yet baptized into any Christian community, you are invited to come forward for a blessing. In that case, simply cross your arms over your chest in front of the altar, or ask the priest, and you will be given a blessing. Ask the priest afterwards about baptism and joining St. Mary's. We offer gluten-free wafers as well. Please let the priest know if you need one.

HYMN: *I love to tell the story*

I love to tell the story
Of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and His glory,
Of Jesus and His love.
I love to tell the story,
Because I know it's true;
It satisfies my longings
As nothing else would do.

HYMN: *I love to tell the story*

I love to tell the story;
Twill be my theme in glory.
To tell the old, old story
Of Jesus and His love.

HYMN: *I love to tell the story*

I love to tell the story,
For those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting
To hear it, like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory,
I sing the new, new song,
'Twill be the old, old story
That I have loved so long.

HYMN: *I love to tell the story*

I love to tell the story;
Twill be my theme in glory.
To tell the old, old story
Of Jesus and His love.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

The Celebrant and the People:

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING *and* DISMISSAL

The Celebrant blesses the people and then they are dismissed, responding:

Thanks be to God.

PARTICIPANTS *in the* LITURGY

Celebrant: The Rev'd Louis-Patrick Mua

Preacher: The Rev'd Robert P. Travis

Lector: Jason Johnson

Server: Kathy Conrad

Eucharistic Minister: Chris Grimes

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David Moore, Revon Johnson, John Marlin

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