

ST. MARY'S Episcopal Church

FEBRUARY 16, 2025

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY



A SERVICE OF HOLY EUCHARIST AT 10 AM

MINISTERS OF THE SERVICE

The ministers of St. Mary's are all the people.

Presider: The Rev. Michael Burke, Rector

Preacher: The Rev. Hannah Moderow

Celebrant: The Rev. Israel Portilla-Gomez, Associate Rector

Readers: Kate McClellan and Greg Wilkinson

Voice of the People: Rich Dyson

Prayers of the People: Maggie Wilkinson

St. Mary's Choir, directed by Annie Nilsson

Organist: Rachel Morgan

Cantor: Emilee Smith

Media Specialists: Seth Eggleston, Timothy Baker and Will Weaver

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE • Rachel Morgan, *organ*

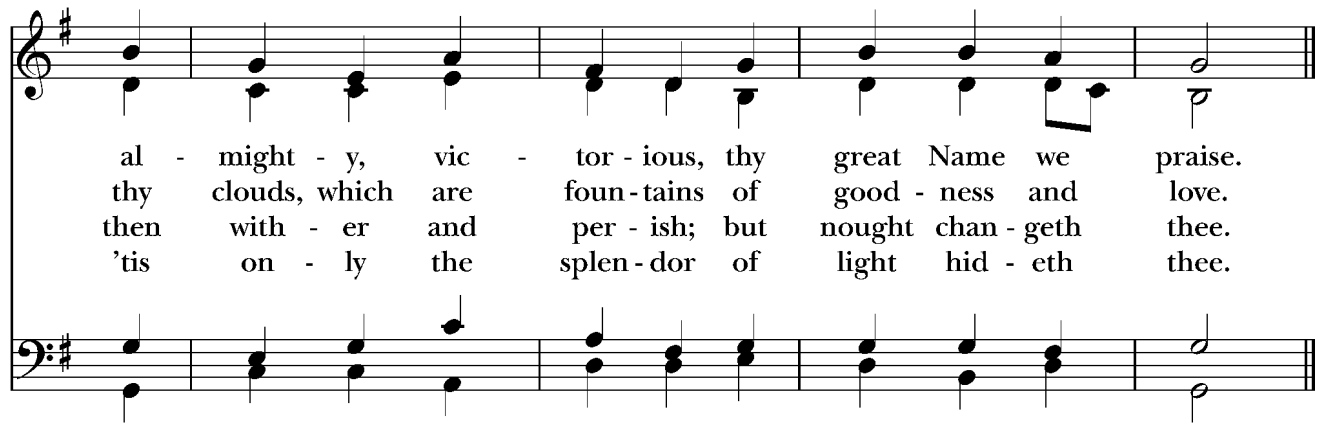
WELCOME • The Rev. Michael Burke

*OPENING HYMN • *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* • Hymnal #423

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3 To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry, thou rul - est in light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
 in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove,
 we blos - som and flour - ish, like leaves on the tree,
 all laud we would ren - der: O help us to see



al - might - y, vic - tor - ious, thy great Name we praise.
 thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 then with - er and per - ish; but nought chan - geth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

*OPENING SENTENCES

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

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

Priest 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 Savior. ***Amen.***



*GLORIA • *Glory to God in the Highest* • WLP # 901


Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to
 peo - ple on earth. Lord God, hea - ven - ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther,
 we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.
a little slower
 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,
 Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us:—
 — you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.
a tempo
 For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a -
 lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

<h2>SERVICE OF THE WORD</h2>

*THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest God be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Priest Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

FIRST READING • Jeremiah 17:5-10

Reader A Reading from Jeremiah.

Thus says the Lord:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals
and make mere flesh their strength,
whose hearts turn away from the Lord.

They shall be like a shrub in the desert,
and shall not see when relief comes.

They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness,
in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord,
whose trust is the Lord.

They shall be like a tree planted by water,
sending out its roots by the stream.

It shall not fear when heat comes,
and its leaves shall stay green;
in the year of drought it is not anxious,
and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else;
it is perverse--
who can understand it?

I the Lord test the mind
and search the heart,
to give to all according to their ways,
according to the fruit of their doings.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

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

PSALM I (from a HymnTune Psalter) • Emilee Smith, cantor

ANTIPHON

Hap - py are they whose de - light is in the law of the Lord.

Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,
 nor lingered in the way of sinners,
 nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
 Their delight is in the law of the Lord,
 and they meditate on God's law day and night.

ANTIPHON (ALL SING)

They are like trees planted by streams of water,
 bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither;
 everything they do shall prosper.
 It is not so with the wicked;
 they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

ANTIPHON (ALL SING)

Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes,
 nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous,
 but the way of the wicked is doomed.

ANTIPHON (ALL SING)

SECOND READING • 1 Corinthians: 15:12-20

Reader A Reading from Corinthians.


Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified that God raised Christ--whom God did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sin. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

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



*GOSPEL HYMN • *Bless'd Jesus, at Thy Word* • Hymnal #440


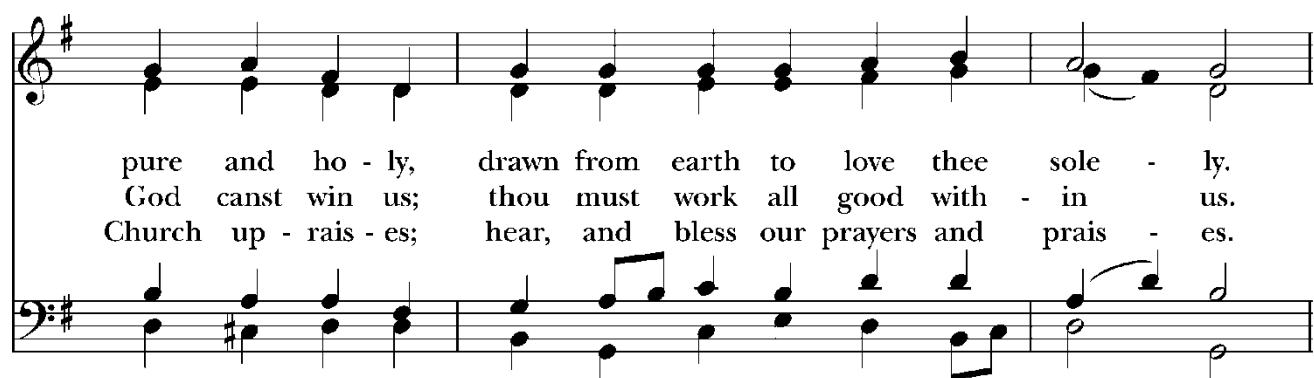
1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at thy word we are gath - ered all to
 2 All our know - ledge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est dark - ness
 3 Gra - cious Lord, thy - self im - part! Light of Light, from God pro -



hear thee; let our hearts and souls be stirred
 shroud - ed, till thy Spi - rit breaks our night
 ceed - ing, o - pen thou our ears and heart,



now to seek and love and fear thee; by thy teach - ings
 with the beams of truth un - cloud - ed; thou a - lone to
 help us by thy Spi - rit's plead - ing. Hear the cry thy



pure and ho - ly, drawn from earth to love thee sole - ly.
 God canst win us; thou must work all good with - in us.
 Church up - rais - es; hear, and bless our prayers and prais - es.

***GOSPEL • Luke 6:17-26**

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

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

Priest Jesus came down with the twelve apostles and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

"Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets."

"But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

"Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Silence

THE SERMON • The Rev. Hannah Moderow

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*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.
With the Father and the Son he is worshipped 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.*

***THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sean Rowe our Presiding Bishop, Mark our Bishop; and all bishops and ministers;

For all who serve God in the Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The People may add their own petitions, aloud or via chat boxes

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

The People may add their own thanksgivings, aloud or via chat boxes

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

The People may add their own petitions, aloud or via chat boxes

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

Silence may be kept.

A Priest says

Together, praying,

Minister and People

Most merciful God,

*we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.*

*We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.*

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

*For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.*

A Priest says

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

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The people greet each other in the name of the Lord.

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

*Offerings toward the work and ministry of St. Mary's may be made by
texting **StMarysAK** to **73256**, at GodsView.org, or by using this QR code:*



OFFERTORY ANTHEM • *Come Thou Font of Every Blessing* • arr. Martin

***DOXOLOGY**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures here below,
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!*

***PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS**

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.

People *And of thine own have we given thee.*

***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.*

Celebrant It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise,
almighty God and everlasting Creator,
through Jesus Christ your Son.

For when he humbled himself to come among us in human flesh,
he fulfilled the plan you formed before the foundation of the world
to open for us the way of salvation.

Confident that your promise will be fulfilled,
we now watch for the day
when Christ our Lord will come again in glory.

And so we join our voices with angels and archangels
and with all the company of heaven
to proclaim your glory
for ever praising you and *singing*:

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SANCTUS • *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord* • WLP #854

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
 Hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san-na in the high-est. San - to,
 san - to, san- to es el Se-ñor. Ho- san - na, ho- san - na, ho- san- na en el
 cie - lo. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na en el cie - lo.


A priest 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.
 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.
 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 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.” 

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.” 

A priest says Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.


A priest continues

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 children, that with 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 LORD'S PRAYER

Priest As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, each in the language of
their heart,

People and Celebrant

***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 forever. Amen.***

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Priest Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All are Welcome at the Lord's table. This is Christ's Banquet. It is made ready for those who love God, and for those who want to love God more. So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often, and you who have not been here long, you who have tried to follow, and you who feel you have failed. Come, because it is Christ who invites you.

COMMUNION HYMN • *Heal Me, Hands of Jesus* • WLP #773

1. Heal me, hands of Je - sus, and search out all my pain: re -
 2. Cleanse me, blood of Je - sus, take bit - ter-ness a - way; let
 3. Know me, mind of Je - sus, and show me all my sin; dis -
 4. Fill me, joy of Je - sus: anx - i - e - ty shall cease and

store my hope, re - move my fear and bring me peace a - gain.
 me for - give as one for - given and bring me peace to - day.
 pel the mem - o - ries of guilt, and bring me peace with - in.
 heaven's se - ren - i - ty be mine, for Je - sus brings me peace!

*THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

After Communion, a priest says

Let us pray.

Priest and 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

SENDING OUT EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Celebrant: (Name), in the name of this congregation, we send you to share our Eucharist with _____. May you take the prayers of all of us as you deliver the sacrament of Christ's presence.

All: We who are many are one body, because we all share in the one cup!

Celebrant: Go forth in the name of God!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAYS

Watch over your child, O God, as their days increase; bless and guide them where ever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful, raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may your peace which passes understanding, abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANNIVERSARIES

Send, O God, your blessing upon these your servants. Sustain them in their love and commitment to each other, that their home may be a place of peace and hospitality now and always. Amen.

SOBRIETY

Bless, O God, your servant in their work of recovery; defend them in their sobriety; and bless them with strength and wisdom now and always. Amen.

WORK TRANSITION OR RETIREMENT

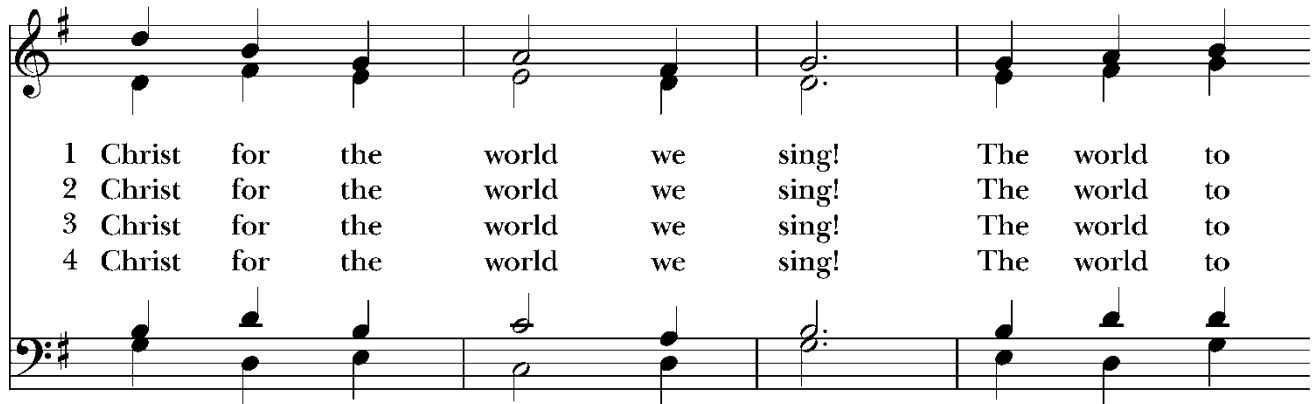
Gracious God, we thank you for the work and witness of your servant who has enriched this community and brought gladness to friends and family; now bless and preserve them at this time of transition. Guide them in the continued use of your gifts; provide sustenance for temporal and spiritual needs, friends to cheer the way, and a clear vision of the ministry to which you are now calling them. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

BLESSING SONG

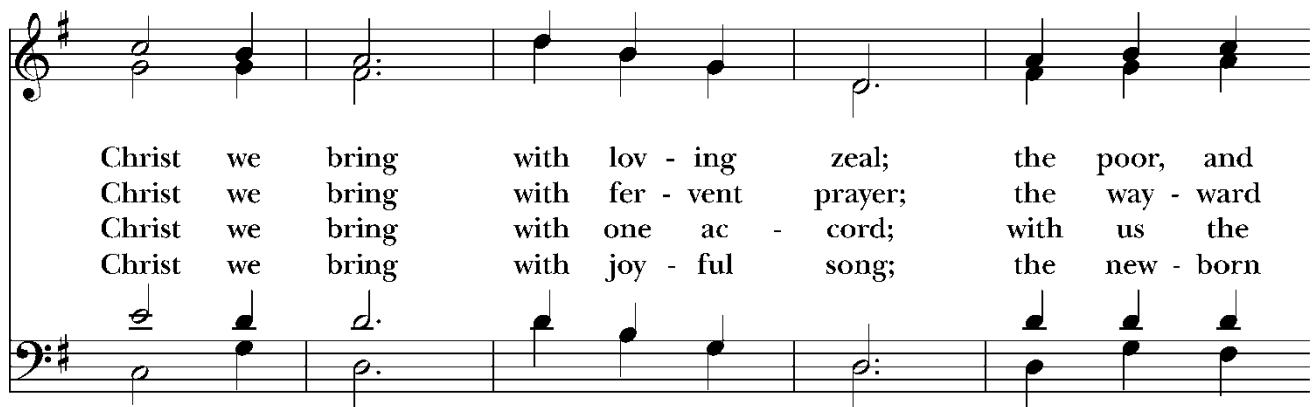
May the blessing of God be upon you, the blessing of the Father and the Son. And may the Spirit of God, the Spirit of Love, be with you all your days.*

**Spirit of Peace [second verse]*

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*RECESSIONAL HYMN • *Christ for the World We Sing* • Hymnal #537


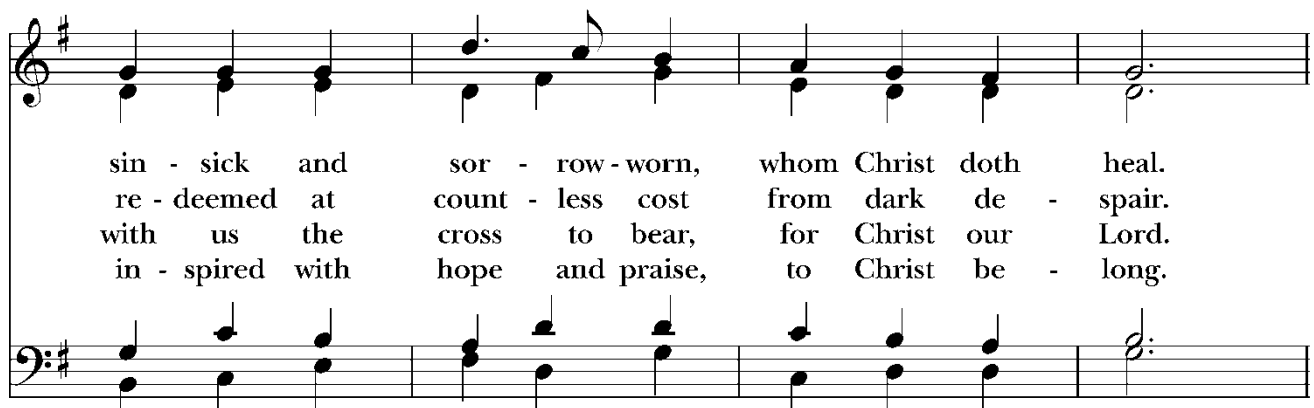
1 Christ for the world we sing! The world to
 2 Christ for the world we sing! The world to
 3 Christ for the world we sing! The world to
 4 Christ for the world we sing! The world to



Christ we bring with lov - ing zeal; the poor, and
 Christ we bring with fer - vent prayer; the way - ward
 Christ we bring with one ac - cord; with us the
 Christ we bring with joy - ful song; the new - born



them that mourn, the faint and o - ver - borne,
 and the lost, by rest - less pas - sions tossed,
 work to share, with us re - proach to dare,
 souls, whose days, re - claimed from er - ror's ways,



sin - sick and sor - row - worn, whom Christ doth heal.
 re - deemed at count - less cost from dark de - spair.
 with us the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.
 in - spired with hope and praise, to Christ be - long.

DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

People *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!*

POSTLUDE • Rachel Morgan, *organ*

The Lord's Prayer in Deg Xinag

*Dinaxito' ngi'ezre' yan' ngizrenh.
Yitots'in' yoye dhedo.*

*Yitots'in ngutl'ogh xiye
Tr'ididl'tth'e.*

*Go dranh nighantl'itthin dinadhong
he' on.*

*Tr'ixet'ixdi xits'in' dinatighelalin.
(Yitots'in) trixet'xdi xits'in
Dinak'odz xudingitnek*

Deg Xinag (also Deg Hit'an; formerly known by the pejorative Ingalik) is the Athabaskan language of Shageluk and Anvik and of the Athabascans at Holy Cross below Grayling on the lower Yukon River. Of a total population of about 275 Deg Hit'an people, about 40 speak the language. (<https://www.uaf.edu/anlc/languages-move/degxinag.php>)

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Announcements and Coming Events

Third Sunday Lunch – Chinese New Year theme
following the service
Waldron Hall

Children's Ice Fishing Outing
2 pm today
Cheney Lake

Random Acts of Kindness Day is Tomorrow!

Margaret Paloma Pavel, author of Random Kindness & Senseless Acts of Beauty, will have a table in the Narthex after the service with resources for ways you can share random kindness with the world!

Bible Study Groups

Fierce Women

6 pm Mondays, Room 2 (downstairs)

Men's Group

7 am Thursdays, Waldron Hall

Bible Explorers


7 pm Thursdays, on Zoom

Afternoon Bible Study

1 pm Fridays, Cay's Room

Check your newsletter for more information on coming events!

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

February 16-23, 2025 

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Sunday, February 16

- 8 am **Service of Holy Eucharist**
Chapel
- 9 am **Christian Formation**
Cay's Room & classrooms
- 10 am **Service of Holy Eucharist**
Sanctuary & online; ID 940 3189 1877
- 10 am **Godly Play**
Room 1
- 11:30 am **Third Sunday Potluck Lunch**
Waldron Hall
- 4 pm **Evening Prayer**
Sanctuary

Monday, February 17

- 6 pm **Fierce Women Bible Study**
Room 2
- 6:30 pm **Outreach Team Meeting**
Cay's Room & online;
ID 873 7864 5166

Tuesday, February 18

No scheduled church events

Wednesday, February 19

- 7 am **Service of Holy Eucharist**
Sanctuary & online; ID 584 949 088
- 12 pm **Caring Ministries Team**
Cay's Room & online;
ID 823 7969 4537
- 6:15 pm **Organ Choir Rehearsal**
Sanctuary
- 7:30 pm **Praise Singers Rehearsal**
Sanctuary

Thursday, February 20

- 7 am **Men's Group**
Waldron Hall
- 7 pm **Bible Explorers**
Online; [click here](#) or see newsletter
- 7 pm **Taizé Service**
Chapel

Friday, February 21

- 1 pm **Afternoon Bible Study**
Cay's Room

Saturday, February 22

- 10 am **Bazaar Workshop**
Waldron Hall

Sunday, February 23

- 8 am **Service of Holy Eucharist**
Chapel
- 9 am **Christian Formation**
Cay's Room & classrooms
- 10 am **Service of Holy Eucharist**
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