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*Last Sunday after the Epiphany*



**St. Michael's**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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\* Denotes moments when the congregation is invited to stand (as able)

"Celebration" refers to the Celebration Hymnal located throughout the Nave.

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# The Word of God

## \* Processional Song

*"Shine, Jesus, Shine"*

Celebration 461

## \* Opening Sentence & Collect for Purity

Book of Common Prayer p. 355

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

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant 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.**

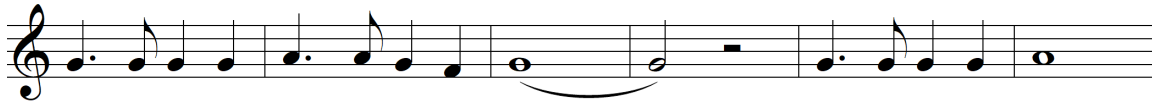
## \* Song of Praise

*"Glorify Thy Name"*

Celebration # 9



1. Fa - ther, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You,  
2. Je - sus, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You,  
3. Spir - it, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You,



Glo - ri-fy Thy name in all the earth. \_\_\_\_\_ Glo - ri-fy Thy name,



Glo - ri-fy Thy name, Glo - ri-fy Thy name in all the earth. \_\_\_\_\_

## \* Collect of the Day

Last Epiphany

Celebrant      The Lord be with you.

**People**        **And also with you.**

Celebrant      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.*

## First Lesson

Exodus 34:29-35

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 99** (Change notes at the emphasized word, and each new line.)



The Lord is King; let the people ***tremble***  
he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth ***shake***

The Lord is great in ***Zion***  
he is high above all ***peoples***

Let them confess his Name, which is great and ***awesome***  
he is the ***Holy One***

“O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established ***equity***  
you have executed justice and righteousness in ***Jacob.***”

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and fall down before his ***footstool***  
he is the ***Holy One***

Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his ***Name***  
they called upon the Lord, and he ***answered them***

He spoke to them out of the pillar of ***cloud***  
they kept his ***testimonies***  
and the decree that he ***gave them***  
O Lord our God, you answered them in-***deed***

You were a God who ***forgave them***  
yet punished them for their evil ***deeds***

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and worship him upon his holy ***hill***  
for the Lord our God is the ***Holy One***

## Second Lesson

2 Corinthians 3:12–4:2

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

\* **Sequence**

*“Love Divine”*

Celebration # 648

\* **Holy Gospel**

Luke 9:28-36

Celebrant      The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke

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

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since

they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

Celebrant      The Gospel of the Lord  
People          Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**Sermon**

*"Transfigured"*

The Rev. Ryan Wiksell

\* **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. 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**

Form II, BCP p. 385

*(Add your prayers silently or aloud after each petition)*

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Presiding Bishop, Sean, our Provisional Bishop, Diane and our Bishop elect, Amy; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. We remember this day those on our altar prayer list and those you would name. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

I ask your prayers for the departed and those who grieve. Pray for those who have died.

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Celebrant: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*



## \* **Confession and Absolution**

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**All:** 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.

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

## \***The Peace**

Officiant     The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People**     **And also with you.**

## **Welcome & Announcements**

- Sunday, March 2, after service – Shrove Sunday Pancake Brunch
- Wednesday, March 5, 6 pm – Ash Wednesday Service
- Wednesday, March 12, 5 pm – Inaugural Weekday Eucharist

# The Holy Communion

Offertory

*“Immortal, Invisible”*

Celebration # 33

\* **The Presentation**

*“Doxology”*

Celebration # 815



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures  
here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host; praise  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

\* **The Great Thanksgiving**

**Eucharistic Prayer A**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

*“Sursum Corda”* Hymnal # S-120

**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 right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*Preface:* Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

\* **Sanctus**

*“Holy Holy Holy Lord”*

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Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly

ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and earth are

filled with your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless-ed is He who comes in the name of the

Lord of the Lord Ho - san - na in the

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

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again;**

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

**AMEN!**

## \* The Lord's Prayer

BCP p. 364

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

**All** Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

## \* Fraction

*"Come to the Table of Mercy"*

Celebration # 464



Come to the ta-ble of mer - cy, Pre-pared with the wine and the bread;



All who are hun-gry and thirst-y, Come and your souls will be fed. —



Come at the Lord's in-vi - ta - tion; Re-ceive from His nail-scarred hand.



Eat of the bread of sal - va - tion; Drink of the blood of the Lamb.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.



**Communion Notes:** Communion is offered in two kinds: bread and wine. One may receive the bread alone, dip it into the wine, or drink from the chalice after consuming the bread. Sealed, pre-packaged containers of bread and wine are available. Gluten-free bread may be requested by crossing one's hands palms-down. All manners of reception are valid, and all are welcome to come forward to receive Communion or a blessing.

## Communion Hymn

*"In the Singing"*



1. In the sing - ing in the si - lence  
2. In the ques - tion, in the an - swer,



in the hands ex - pec - tant, o - pen, in the bless - ing,  
in the mo - ment of ac - cep - tance, in the heart's cry,



in the break - ing, in the Pres - ence at the ta - ble.  
in the heal - ing, in the cir - cle of your peo - ple.

*Refrain:*



Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ, be the wine of grace:



Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ be the bread of peace.

\* **Postcommunion Prayer & Blessing**

BCP p. 365

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**All:** Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

\* **Closing Song**

*“Alleluia, Alleluia!”*

Celebration # 359

\* **Dismissal**

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!



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