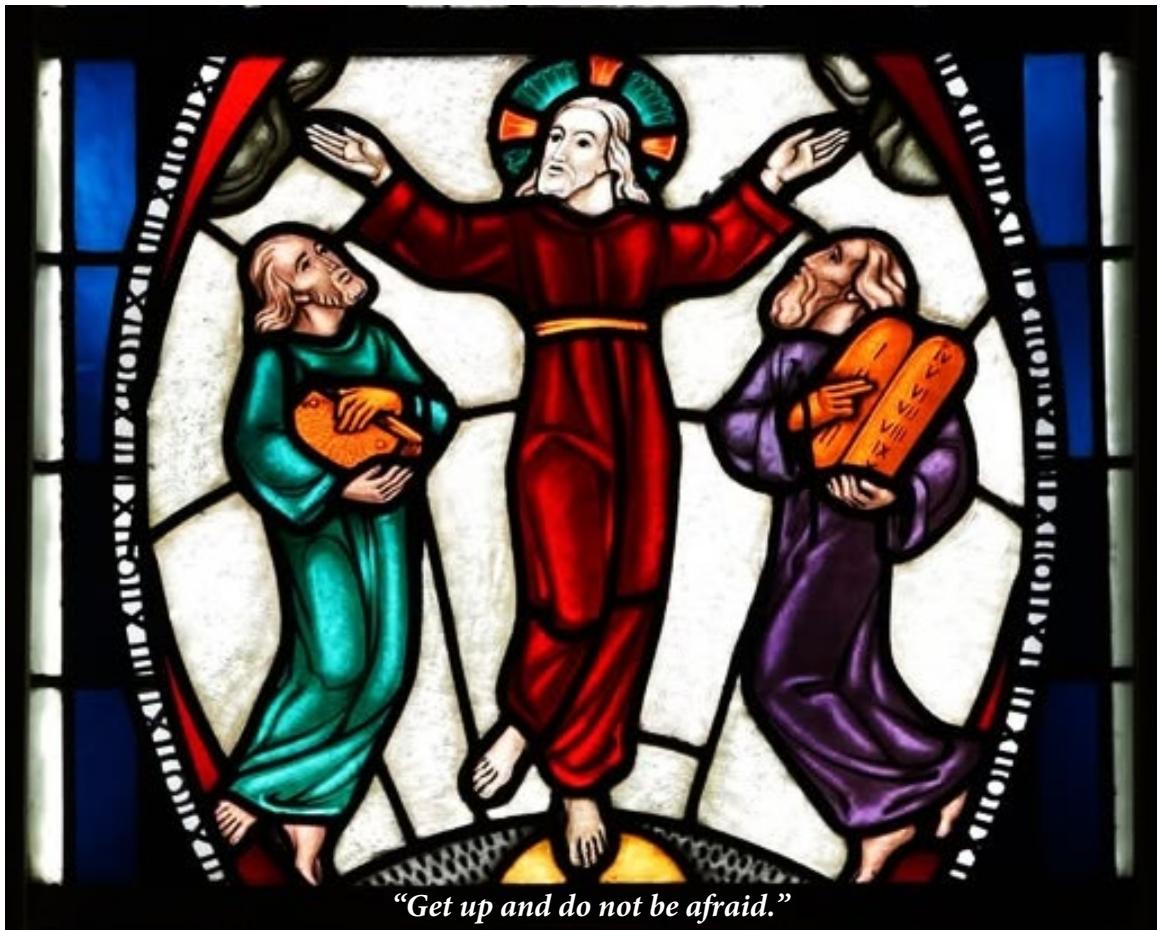


# Last Sunday after the Epiphany

*Baptism of Kylie Rose Smith*

February 15, 2026 · 10 am · Holy Eucharist, Rite II



*"Get up and do not be afraid."*



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# The Word of God

## \* Processional Song

*"Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain"*

Vajda

1. Je - sus, take us to the moun - tain,  
2. What do you want us to see there,  
3. What do you want us to hear there,  
4. Take us to that oth - er moun - tain  
5. We who have be - held your glo - ry,

where with Pe - ter, James, and John, we are daz - zled  
that your close com - pan - ions saw? Your di - vin - i -  
that your dear dis - ci - ples heard? Once a - gain the  
where we see you glo - ri - fied, where you shout - ed  
ris - en and as - cend - ed Lord, can - not help but

by your glo - ry, light as blind - ing as the sun.  
ty re - vealed there Fills us with the self - same awe.  
Voice from heav - en says of the In - car - nate Word:  
"it is fin - ished!" Where for all the world you died.  
tell the sto - ry, All that we have seen and heard;

There pre - pare us for the night  
Clothed in flesh like ours you go  
"Lis - ten, lis - ten, ev - 'ry - one,  
Hear the stunned cen - tu - ri - on:  
say with Pe - ter James, and John:

by the vi - sion of that sight.  
matched to meet our dead - liest foe.  
This is my be - lov - ed Son!"  
"Tru - ly this was God's own Son!"  
"You are God's be - lov - ed Son!"

## \* Opening Acclamation

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

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

Celebrant      There is one Body and one Spirit;

**People**      **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

Celebrant      One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

**People**      **One God and Father of all.**

## \* Collect of the Day

Epiphany Last

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 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.

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

## Psalm 2

Why are the nations in an uproar? \*

Why do the peoples mutter empty threats?

Why do the kings of the earth rise up in revolt, and the princes plot together, \*  
against the LORD and against his Anointed?

"Let us break their yoke," they say; \*

"let us cast off their bonds from us."

He whose throne is in heaven is laughing; \*  
the Lord has them in derision.

Then he speaks to them in his wrath, \*  
and his rage fills them with terror.

"I myself have set my king \*  
upon my holy hill of Zion."

Let me announce the decree of the LORD: \*  
he said to me, "You are my Son; this day have I begotten you.

Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your inheritance \*  
and the ends of the earth for your possession.

You shall crush them with an iron rod \*  
and shatter them like a piece of pottery."

And now, you kings, be wise; \*  
be warned, you rulers of the earth.  
Submit to the LORD with fear, \*  
and with trembling bow before him;  
Lest he be angry and you perish; \*  
for his wrath is quickly kindled.  
Happy are they all \*  
who take refuge in him!

## Second Lesson

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.

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

**\* Sequence Song***“We Sing of God”*

Hymnal # 387

**\* Holy Gospel**

Matthew 17:1-9

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

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.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Sermon**

The Rev. Ryan Wiksell

## \* Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

Celebrant The candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

**Sponsor(s)** **I present Kylie Rose Smith to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.**

Celebrant [to the candidate] Do you desire to be baptized?

**Candidate** **I do.**

Celebrant Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

**Candidate** **I renounce them.**

Celebrant Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

**Candidate** **I renounce them.**

Celebrant Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

**Candidate** **I renounce them.**

Celebrant Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

**Candidate** **I do.**

Celebrant Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

**Candidate** **I do.**

Celebrant Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

**Candidate** **I do.**

Celebrant Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in her life in Christ?

**PEOPLE** **WE WILL.**

## \* The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant Let us join with our sister who is committing herself to Christ, and renew our own baptismal covenant. Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **I believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **I believe in the Holy Spirit, in the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

### \* **Prayers for the Candidate**

Celebrant Let us now pray for the one about to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Intercessor Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Open her heart to your grace and truth. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit. **Lord, hear our prayer**

Send her into the world in witness to your love. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. Amen.

## \* Thanksgiving over the Water

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## \* The Baptism

Celebrant Kylie Rose Smith, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**People** **Amen.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit, Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. ***Amen.***

Celebrant Kylie, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. ***Amen.***

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized. [Rejoice!]

**People** **We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

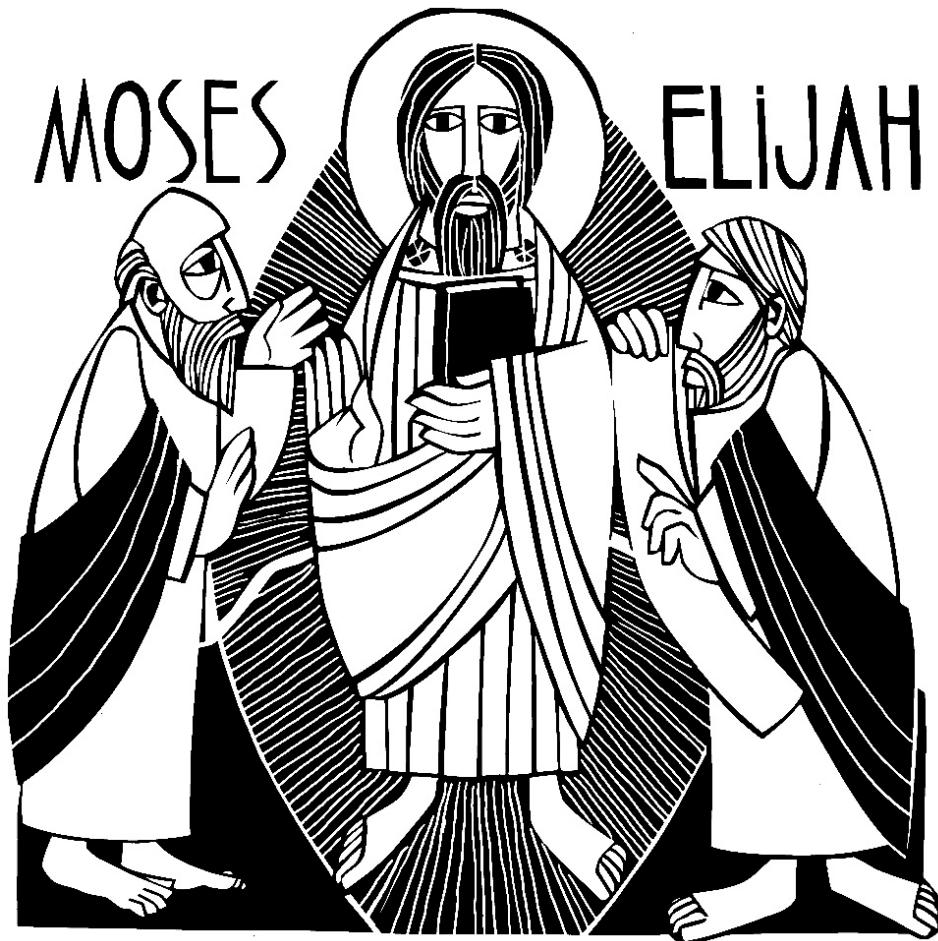
## \* The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

## Welcome & Announcements

- Shrove Sunday Pancake Brunch & Cake Reception immediately following
- February 18, Ash Wednesday; service at 6 pm
- No Music Practice Feb 18
- February 19, Third Thursday “In Our Own Voice”



# The Holy Communion

**Offertory**

*“O Wondrous Type!”*

Hymnal #137

**The Presentation**

*“Doxology”*

Hymnal #380 v3



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

## \* The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

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.

Because of 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”*

Hymnal #S-130

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. God of power and

might, hea-ven and earth are full, full

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

san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant: We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father.

**All: We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory.**

Celebrant: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Michael, the Archangel, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus

Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

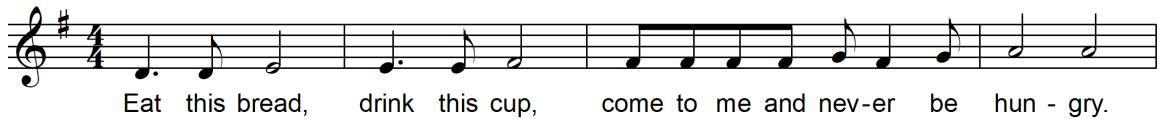
By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

### \* **The Lord's Prayer**

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ taught us, we are bold to say,

All 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, forever and ever. Amen.

### \* **The Breaking of the Bread**



Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and never be hun - gry.



Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.

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 Music

*“Transform Us as You Transfigured”*

Dunstan

1. Trans-form us as you, trans - fig - ured,  
2. Trans-form us as you, trans - fig - ured,  
3. Trans-form us as you, trans - fig - ured,

stood a - part on those Ta - bor's height.  
once spoke with those ho - ly ones.  
would not stay with - in a shrine.

Lead us up our sa - cred moun - tains,  
We, sur - round - ed by the wit - ness  
Keep us from our great temp - ta - tion—

search us with re - veal - ing light.  
of those saints whose work is done,  
time and truth we quick - ly bind,

Lift us from where we have fallen, en,  
 live in this world as your Body - y,  
 lead us down those dai - ly path ways

full of ques - tions, filled with fright.  
 cho - sen daugh - ters, cho - sen  
 where our love is not con - fined.

### \* Postcommunion Prayer & Blessing

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 Hymn

*“Songs of Thankfulness and Praise”*

Hymnal #135

### \* Dismissal

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

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

