

## The Last Sunday after the Epiphany February 11, 2018

## Holy Eucharist at 8:30 am

Celebrant & Homilist: The Reverend Jennifer Matthews The service begins on page 67 of the Book of Common Prayer. Psalm 50.1–6 For the readings see 10:30 am

## Choral Matins at 10:30 am

Officiant & Preacher: The Reverend Jennifer Matthews Assisting: Shelly Pollard

The flowers are given to the honour and glory of Almighty God and in in loving memory of Edward Ballon by Heather and their family.

Welcome to the Church of St. Peter and St. Simon-the-Apostle. Children going to church school are invited to gather by the font. Hearing Assistance Units are available at the back of the church.



We acknowledge that we are in the traditional territory of the Mississaugas of the New Credit, the Anishinaabe, the Haudenosaunees, and the Huron-Wendat, on whose land, and by whose water we gather to talk, listen, learn, worship, share and heal together in the name of our Creator, the Holy One of Blessing.

> "The earth is the Lord's, and all that is in it, the world and all who dwell therein." Psalm 24.1 (BAS p.732)

Prelude In Green Pastures

Hymn 167 Tis good Lord to be here

**Opening Sentence** – BCP pp. 1-2

**Exhortation** – BCP p. 4 You are invited to kneel.

Officiant Almighty and most merciful Father,

- All We have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults. Restore thou them that are penitent; according to thy promises declared unto all people in Christ Jesu our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.
- *Officiant* Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that we may turn from our wickedness, and live, hath given power and commandment to his ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the absolution and remission of their sins. He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore we beseech him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do at this present, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

#### Lord's Prayer

#### Versicles & Responses

*Officiant* O Lord, open thou our lips;

- *All* And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.
- *Officiant* O God, make speed to save us;
- All O Lord, make haste to help us.

You are invited to stand.

*Officiant* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

- All As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
- Officiant Praise ye the Lord;
- All The Lord's Name be praised.

**Venite**: *Sung by all. Please remain standing.* 



Invitatory The Lord hath manifested/forth his glory:/ O' come', let us worship. O come, let us ' sing unto  $\cdot$  the ' Lord: / let us heartily rejoice in the ' strength of ' our sal'vation. Let us come before his ' presence with ' thanksgiving / and show ourselves ' glad in ' him with ' psalms. For the Lord is a ' great ' God / and a great 'King a bove ' all ' gods. In his hand are all the ' corners  $\cdot$  of the ' earth / and the ' strength of  $\cdot$  the ' hills is  $\cdot$  his ' also. The sea is ' his and  $\cdot$  he ' made it / and his ' hands pre'pared the  $\cdot$  dry ' land. O come, let us worship and ' fall ' down / and ' kneel be fore the ' Lord, our ' Maker. For he is the 'Lord our ' God / and we are the people of his pasture, ' and the ' sheep of  $\cdot$  his ' hand. Glory be to the Father, and ' to the ' Son / and ' to the ' Holy ' Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ' ever ' shall be / world without ' end. A'—'men. The Lord hath manifested/forth his glory:/ O ' come, let us worship. *Please be seated.* 

#### First Lesson 2 Kings 2.1–12

Read by David McPherson

*Reader* The first lesson is written in the  $2^{nd}$  chapter of the  $2^{nd}$  Book of Kings, beginning at the  $1^{st}$  verse.

Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel.' But Elisha said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?' And he said, 'Yes, I know; keep silent.' Elijah said to him, 'Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho.' But he said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?' And he answered, 'Yes, I know; be silent.' Then Elijah said to him, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.' But he said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.' Elisha said, 'Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.' He responded, 'You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.' As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, 'Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!' But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

ReaderThe word of the Lord.AllThanks be to God.

Psalm 50.1–6 Sung by all. Please remain seated.



<sup>1</sup> The Lord, even the Most Mighty ' God, hath ' spoken,

\* and called the world, from the rising of the sun unto the ' going ' down there of.  $^2$  Out of Sion, the per fection of ' beauty,

\* God ' --hath ' shin-ed ' forth.

<sup>3</sup> Our God cometh, and ' keepeth not ' silence;

\* there goeth before him a consuming fire,

and a mighty tempest is ' stirred up ' round a'bout him.

<sup>4</sup> He calleth to the ' heavens  $\cdot$  from a bove,

\* and to the earth, that ' he may ' judge his ' people:

<sup>5</sup> 'Gather my saints to gether ' unto me:

\* those that have made a ' covenant with ' me with ' sacrifice.'

<sup>6</sup> And the heavens de'clare his ' righteousness;

\* for ' God is ' judge him'self.

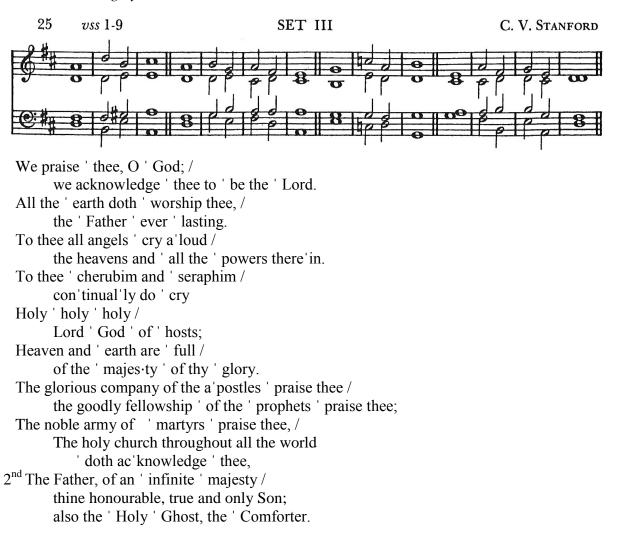
Glory be to the Father, and ' to the ' Son, / and ' to the ' Holy ' Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ' ever ' shall be, / world without ' end. A'—'men. *Reader* The second lesson is written in the  $4^{th}$  chapter of the  $2^{nd}$  letter to the Corinthians, beginning at the  $3^{rd}$  verse.

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Te Deum: Sung by all. Please stand.



vss 10-15 26 C. V. STANFORD Thou art the King of ' glory, O ' Christ. / Thou art the ever 'lasting ' Son of  $\cdot$  the ' Father. When thou tookest upon thee to de'liver ' man / Thou didst not ab 'hor the ' Virgin's ' womb. When thou hadst overcome the ' sharpness of ' death / thou didst open the kingdom of ' heaven to ' all be'lievers. Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the 'glory  $\cdot$  of the 'Father. / We believe that thou shalt ' come to ' be our ' judge. We therefore pray thee, ' help thy ' servants / whom thou hast redeemed ' with thy ' precious ' blood. Make them to be numbered ' with thy ' saints in ' glory ' ever' lasting.

Please be seated.

#### Third Lesson Mark 9.2–9

#### Read by Paul Faulkner

*Reader* The third lesson is written in the  $9^{th}$  chapter of the Gospel according to Mark, beginning at the  $2^{nd}$  verse.

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!' Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

ReaderThe word of the Lord.AllThanks be to God.

Benedictus Sung by all. Please stand. Havergal Haverga

and hath raised up a mighty sal ' vation ' for us, / in the ' house of  $\cdot$  his ' servant ' David: as he spake by the mouth of his ' holy ' Prophets, / which have been ' since the ' world be ' gan; that we should be ' saved from  $\cdot$  our ' enemies, / and from the ' hands of ' all that ' hate us; to perform the mercy promised ' to our ' forefathers, / and to re ' member ' his ' holy covenant; to perform the oath which he sware to our ' fore-father ' Abraham, / that ' he would ' grant ' us that we being delivered out of the ' hands of  $\cdot$  our ' enemies / might ' serve him  $\cdot$  with ' out ' fear, in holiness and ' righteousness be ' fore him, / all the ' days of ' our ' life. And thou, child, shalt be called the ' Prophet  $\cdot$  of the ' Highest: / for thou shalt go before the face of the 'Lord  $\cdot$  to pre ' pare his ' ways; to give knowledge of salvation ' unto his ' people / for the re ' mission ' of their ' sins; through the tender mercy ' of our ' God; / whereby the day-spring ' from on ' high hath ' visited us; to give light to them that sit in darkness, and in the ' shadow of ' death, / and to guide our feet ' into the ' way of ' peace. Glory be to the Father, and ' to the ' Son, / and ' to the ' Holy ' Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ' ever ' shall be, /

#### Sermon

#### The Apostles' Creed

*Officiant* I believe in God

All the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth: and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the Communion of Saints; the Forgiveness of sins; the Resurrection of the body, and the Life everlasting. Amen.

*Officiant* The Lord be with you;

All And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

Please kneel as able.

Officiant Lord, have mercy upon us.

*All* Christ, have mercy upon us.

Officiant Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Officiant* Our Father

- All 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 them that trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.
- *Officiant* O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;
- All And grant us thy salvation.
- *Officiant* O Lord, save the Queen;
- All And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

*Officiant* Endue thy ministers with righteousness;

- All And make thy chosen people joyful.
- Officiant O Lord, save thy people;
- All And bless thine inheritance.
- Officiant Give peace in our time, O Lord;
- *All* **And evermore mightily defend us.**
- *Officiant* O God, make clean our hearts within us;
- All And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

#### **Collect of the Day**

*Officiant* Almighty God, on the holy mount you revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured: mercifully deliver us from the darkness of this world, and change us into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

#### **Collect for Peace**

*Officiant* O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### **Collect for Grace**

*Officiant* O Lord our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Anthem Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies

HAROLD DARKE

Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true, the only Light, Sun of Righteousness, arise, Triumph o'er the shades of night; Dayspring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart appear.

Dark and cheerless is the morn Unaccompanied by Thee; Joyless is the day's return Till Thy mercy's beams I see; Till they inward light impart, Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

Visit then this soul of mine, Pierce the gloom of sin and grief; Fill me, Radiancy divine, Scatter all my unbelief; More and more Thyself display, Shining to the perfect day.

# **Collection Hymn 513** *Guide my feet* **Prayers**

#### Led by Winston Isaac

#### General Thanksgiving Please stand.

Officiant Almighty God,

All Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all people. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives; by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

#### **Prayer of St Chrysostom**

*Officiant* Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.** 

#### Grace

*Officiant* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.** 

Announcements Please be seated.

Hymn 384 Praise to the Lord the almighty	LOBE DEN HERREN
Postlude Fantasia uber "Het Wilmelmus"	JAN ZWART