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Last Sunday after the Epiphany – Sunday, February 11, 2024 The Holy Eucharist Rite II at 10:00am

SERVICE NOTES: We are glad you have joined us! **If you are online**: We have posted a hymn insert, which also has other helpful information about attending online. **If you are in person**: The hymns can be found in the hymn book in the pew rack in front of you, with some of the service music printed within the text. Masks are recommended by Yolo County; they are optional at this time, but we want everyone to take whatever precautions they deem appropriate. We encourage you to sing and pray actively. Thank you and welcome!

PRELUDE "Water Music" themes G. F. Handel

Please stand, as you are able, for the Opening Hymn.

OPENING HYMN H 135 "Songs of thankfulness and praise" (*Salzburg*)

In the Hymnal

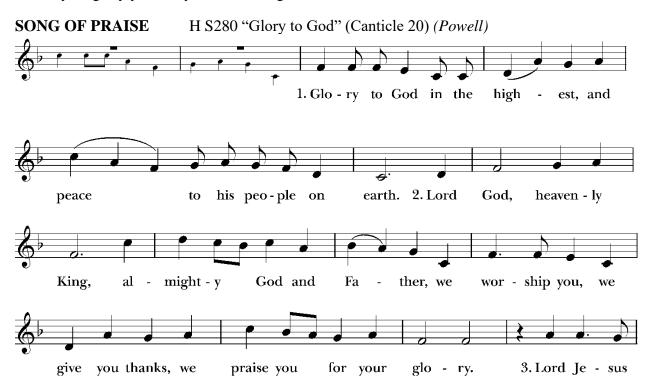
OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presider 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.**





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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider 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 READING Please be seated for the readings A reading from the second book of Kings.

2 Kings 2:1-12

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

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.

Robert Knox Kennedy

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

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM *Please join in singing from Psalm 50.*

(b. 1945)

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- 1 The God of gods has <u>spoken</u>; *
 God has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its <u>setting</u>.
- 2 Out of Zion, perfect in its <u>beauty</u>, * God is revealed in <u>glory</u>.
- 3 O God, you will come and will not keep <u>silence</u>; * before you there is a consuming flame, and round about you a raging storm.
- 4 You call the heavens and the earth from above * to witness the judgment of his people.
- 5 "Gather before me my loyal <u>followers</u>, * those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with <u>sacrifice</u>."
- 6 Let the heavens declare the rightness of your <u>cause</u>, * for you alone are <u>judge</u>.

SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

A reading from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians.

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.

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Please stand, as you are able.

SEQUENCE HYMN Hyfrdol

Choir Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Choir Hark! The Word of God is calling over the ages the Good News for all!

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mark 9:2-9

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

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.

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

SERMON

THE NICENE CREED Please stand as you are able and join in saying the 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:

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human.

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.

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified; who 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

Deacon Let us pray for the Church and the world.

Leader Everlasting Creator, guide us to be unwavering reminders to those in political authority of the limits and transience of human power, and of their absolute duty to prosper all who live in this world, this country, and this community. For the courage and compassion to seek the common good above personal profit or power, we pray. (We pause, making space for prayer to be said, either silently or aloud.)

Leader Christ, our healer and guide

People Shine your light in us and through us.

Leader Everlasting Creator, continually renew the strength of your Spirit in those who preside at the sacred feast of Christ's table, as we share with them in the work for and the blessings of the Beloved Community. We pray especially for our Bishop Megan, our rector Pamela, and all the clergy, staff, and lay leaders who serve St. Martin's so faithfully.

(We pause, making space for prayer to be said, either silently or aloud.)

Leader Christ, our healer and guide

People Shine your light in us and through us.

Leader Everlasting Creator, bind the wounds and heal the hearts of those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, and grant stamina to all who give them care. We now join our hearts together to pray for those in need and especially for those on our parish prayer list.

(The deacon will read prayer requests and then invite all to share their prayer requests, either silently or aloud.)

Leader Christ, our healer and guide

People Shine your light in us and through us.

Leader Everlasting Creator, we celebrate our memories and commend to you all who have left the exile of this mortal life for your infinite and eternal paradise.

(We pause, making space for prayer to be said, either silently or aloud.)

Leader Christ, our healer and guide

People Shine your light in us and through us.

Leader Everlasting Creator, we pause in this moment to offer you our other heartfelt thanksgivings, intercessions, and petitions, either silently or aloud.

(We pause, making space for prayer to be said, either silently or aloud.)

Leader Christ, our healer and guide

People Shine your light in us and through us

Celebrant Gracious, all-knowing God, free and restore us from the power of sin, that we may accept your call to serve you in faithfulness, gratitude, and love. We ask this through Jesus, our healer; and the Holy Spirit, our comforter; who live and reign with you as one God, now and beyond the ages of ages. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN *Please stand or kneel as you are able.*

The Deacon says Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. (We pause for silent reflection). Presider and People

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. 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.

ABSOLUTION The Presider stands and says

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

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

We greet one another in the name of the Lord with sensitivity to those who wish to maintain physical distance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please see the announcement insert, and feel free to take this bulletin home with you. If you do not currently receive an email from us with current news and events, please reach out to <u>info@churchofstmartin.org</u>.

CELEBRATIONS AND MILESTONES All may join in praying.

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

OFFERTORY NOTES

The ushers will pass collection plates. Online giving is also available; just look for the blue "GIVE" button on our website or the QR code near the back of this bulletin, or contact the office for more information. We are very grateful to those who have pledged and who give regularly, as well as for all plate offerings.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "And the glory of the Lord," from Messiah, G.F. Handel "And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together; for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it."

OFFERTORY RESPONSE (Franconia) Please join in singing.

We give thee but thine own, / Whate'er the gift may be;

All that we have is thine alone, / A trust, O God, from thee. —William Walsham Howe

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Please stand, as you are able.*

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

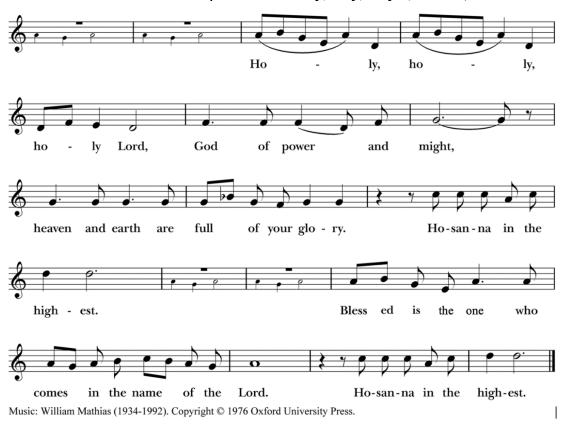
People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The Presider continues

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

SANCTUS *Presider and People* S 128 "Holy, holy" (*Mathias*)



WORDS OF INSTITUTION The Presider 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." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People
Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.

The Presider 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 daughters and sons, 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

Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, (first in Spanish and then in English,)

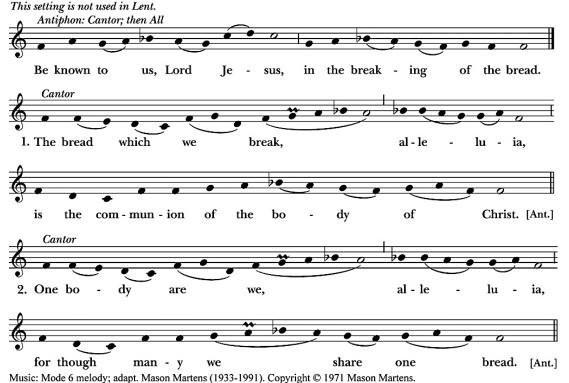
People and Presider

santificado sea tu Nombre,
venga tu reino,
hágase tu voluntad,
en la tierra como en el cielo.
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.
Perdona nuestras ofensas,
como también nosotros perdonamos a los
que nos ofenden.
No nos dejes caer en tentación
y líbranos del mal.
Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder,
y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre.
Amen.

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

THE FRACTION ANTHEM S 171 "Be known to us" (Plainsong/Martens)



The Presider says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

ABOUT RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome at God's table, children included. Gluten-free Communion hosts are available; please ask. Come forward down the center aisle for Communion. Choose the station on the left for intinction by the priest or the station on the right to drink from the common cup. The customary response upon receiving Communion is "Amen." Crossing your arms over your chest indicates you would like a blessing instead of Communion.

COMMUNION MUSIC H 7 "Christ, whose glory fills the sky" (*Ratisbon*)

In the Hymnal

H 681 "Our God, to whom we turn" (O Gott, du frommer Gott)

In the Hymnal

"Chorale Prelude on O God, Thou Faithful God"

J. Brahms

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.
Presider and People

God of abundance,

you have fed us

with the bread of life and cup of salvation;

you have united us

with Christ and one another;

and you have made us one

with all your people in heaven and on earth.

Now send us forth

in the power of your Spirit,

that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever

in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING *The Presider offers a blessing and the People respond Amen.*

Life is short. We do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who walk this way with us.

So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind.

And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

be with you and remain with you always. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN H 129 "Christ, upon the mountain peak" (*Mowsley*)

In the Hymnal

DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE "Fuga II"

G. F. Handel

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