



Welcome to St. Mark's Chapel

Open hearts, open minds, open doors

The Epiphany
Sunday, January 2, 2022 10:00 a.m.
Holy Eucharist Rite II

Prelude

"The Old Year Now Has Passed Away"

BWV 614, J.S. Bach

Welcome

Liturgy of the Word

Hymn at the Procession

"Songs of thankfulness and praise"

Hymnal 1982 #135

Acclamation

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

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

Collect for Purity

BCP, p. 355

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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria

"People of God"

End of Bulletin

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: **Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

First Reading

Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Give the ruler your justice, O God.

R

- ¹Give the ruler your justice, O God,
and your righteousness
to a ruler's heir.
- ²May the ruler judge your people
with righteousness,
and your poor with justice.
- ³May the mountains yield prosperity
for the people,
and the hills, in righteousness. *R*
- ⁴May the ruler defend the cause of the
poor of the people,
give deliverance to the needy,
and crush the oppressor.
- ⁵May the ruler live while
the sun endures,
and as long as the moon,
throughout all generations.
- ⁶May the ruler be like rain
that falls on the mown grass,
like showers that water the earth. *R*
- ⁷In the ruler's days may
righteousness flourish
and peace abound, until the
moon is no more.
- ¹⁰May the monarchs of Tarshish and of
the isles render the ruler tribute,
may the monarchs of Sheba
and Seba bring gifts.
- ¹¹May all monarchs fall down
before the ruler,
all nations give the ruler service. *R*
- ¹²For the ruler delivers the needy
when they call,
the poor and those who have
no helper.
- ¹³The ruler has pity on the weak
and the needy,
and saves the lives of the needy.
- ¹⁴From oppression and violence
the ruler redeems their life;
and precious is their blood in
the ruler's sight. *R*

Second Reading

Ephesians 3:1-12

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles-- for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to

humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual

"Holy Spirit, ever living"

Hymnal 1982 # 511

Holy Gospel

Matthew 2:1-12

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: 'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'" Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People:

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Brian D. Blayer

The Nicene Creed

BCP, p. 358

Prayers of the People

Gracious God, in this Christmas season we remember Your Son, our Savior as the Prince of Peace. Help this peace which passes all understanding be with us in all times and all places as we pray: Prince of Peace, *Be in our hearts.*

The wise men followed the light of a star to the manger in Bethlehem. Guide Your Church with the light of Christ this season and always, pouring your wisdom upon Michael, Ian, Laura, all clergy, and all who serve in Your name. Prince of Peace, ***Be in our hearts.***

Angels visited shepherds in the field. Strengthen and comfort all who struggle each day to feed their families and live with dignity, that they may know your loving presence and have hope to carry on. Prince of Peace, ***Be in our hearts.***

Joseph traveled with Mary to his hometown of Bethlehem for the census. Inspire the leaders of this land and those throughout the world to create justice and peace for all people in all places. Prince of Peace, ***Be in our hearts.***

Joseph, Mary, and Jesus settled in Nazareth and made it their home. Help us make Your presence known in the Quiet Corner so that all may know Your glorious presence in their lives. Prince of Peace, ***Be in our hearts.***

Mary gave thanks to God that she might be a vessel of His grace. In gratitude for all that is good in our lives, we praise You and we bless You particularly for The Bishops transition team, and that which we name now: _____. Prince of Peace, ***Be in our hearts.***

The angel told Mary: Be not afraid. Give comfort to all those who suffer from illness, pain, or grief, that they may courageously face the days ahead and know the healing power of your love. We pray especially for Zoma, Gloria, Rich, Janet, John Paul, and all those we mention now either silently or aloud _____.

Pray for those in any need or trouble, especially those we mention now silently or aloud. Prince of peace, ***Be in our hearts.***

The whole heavenly host sang praises to God at the birth of Jesus. Comfort those who grieve the loss of a loved one with the knowledge that we are with the heavenly host for eternity. We remember before You this day those we no longer see especially those we mention now silently or aloud. Prince of peace, ***Be in our hearts.***

Confession and Absolution **BCP, p. 360**

The Peace **BCP, p. 360**

Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn *"We three kings of Orient are"* **Hymnal 1982 #128**

Eucharistic Prayer B **BCP, p. 367**

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 God thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty

God, Creator of heaven and earth. For you gave Jesus Christ, your only son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children. 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

End of Bulletin

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:

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 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 God, now and for ever. Amen.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

Everyone is welcome at God’s table. You are invited to come forward and receive communion.

Gluten free wafers are available – please indicate to the priest if you prefer gluten free.

Communion Anthem

“Set Me as a Seal Upon Your Heart”

Childs

Prayer after Communion

BCP, p. 365

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.

Christmastide Blessing

Celebrant: May God, who sent the holy angels to proclaim the glad news of the Savior's birth, fill you with joy, and make you heralds of the Gospel. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Mission Hymn

“Sing, ye faithful”

#492 Hymnal 1982

Dismissal

BCP, p. 366

Priest: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

“In Thee Is Gladness”

BWV 615, J.S. Bach

Announcements

TRAINING

There will be a Eucharistic minister training on Saturday, January 15 from 9:30-11:30 for anyone interested.

SUNDAY MINISTERS

If you would like to sign up but do not want to use Signup Genius, please call the office.

There is also a sign-up sheet in the Goodwin Hall.

3 WAYS TO GIVE


Church: Outdoor Secure Mailbox; Mail: 42 N Eagleville Rd, Storrs, CT 06268
MyWell: Online: mywell.org/give/stmarkschapel or Text: stmarkschapel to 40101

Service Music

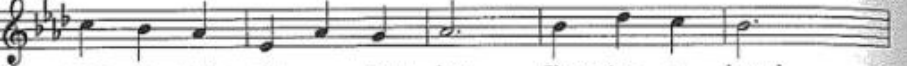
Song of Praise

"People of God"


VF #109 v.1



1 Peo - ple of God, ga - ther to - ge - ther, come, let us
2 Hear - ing God's word, heed - ing the mes - sage, come and re -
3 Bear - ing your gifts, en - ter God's pre - sence; come, let us
4 Wo - men and men, har - mo - ny blend - ing, come, swell the



sing on this glo - rious day. Shout - ing a - broad
joy as we an - swer the call. With one ac - cord,
share in the hea - ven - ly feast. Mend - ing all rifts,
cho - rus in lov - ing ac - cord. Rais - ing a - gain



praise to the Mak - er, come and with bo - dy and soul let us pray.
made in God's im - age, come in com - mu - ni - ty, wel - com - ing all.
heal - ing di - vi - sions, come and from sor - rows and hurts be re - leased.
thanks ne - ver end - ing, come to the God who is Wis - dom and Word.

Refrain



Come, let us join in the hea - ven - ly dance,




prais - ing in joy - ous ce - le - bra - tion.


Fraction

"Whoever comes to me"

WLP #878



Who - ev - er comes to me shall not hun - ger and



who - ev - er be - lieves in me shall nev - er thirst.

Sanctus

"Holy, holy, holy, Lord"

WLP #858

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of five systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody. The piece concludes with a double bar line.