

Last Sunday after the Epiphany  
9:00 & 11:15 a.m. 15 February 2026

*We invite you to prepare for the service in quiet meditation and prayer.  
Hymns are found in the blue Hymnal 1982.  
“BCP” refers to pages in the red Book of Common Prayer.*

THE WORD OF GOD

Tower Bells

Voluntary .....La Quinquagésime  
Charles Tournemire

Christ, whose glory fills the skies (Stand).....Hymn 7

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.  
The Celebrant continues

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.

The Song of Praise ..... Hymn S 278

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.  
People And also with you.  
Celebrant Let us pray.  
The Celebrant continues

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.

A Reading from the Book of Exodus

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. [Exodus 24:12-18]

Reader The Word of the Lord.  
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 2

Sung by the choir to an Anglican chant by Edward J. Hopkins

- 1 Why are the nations in an uproar? \*  
Why do the peoples mutter empty threats?
- 2 Why do the kings of the earth rise up in revolt,  
and the princes plot together, \*  
against the Lord and against his Anointed?
- 3 “Let us break their yoke,” they say; \*  
“let us cast off their bonds from us.”
- 4 He whose throne is in heaven is laughing; \*  
the Lord has them in derision.
- 5 Then he speaks to them in his wrath, \*  
and his rage fills them with terror.
- 6 “I myself have set my king \*  
upon my holy hill of Zion.”
- 7 Let me announce the decree of the Lord: \*  
he said to me, “You are my Son;  
this day have I begotten you.
- 8 Ask of me, and I will give you the nations  
for your inheritance \*  
and the ends of the earth for your possession.
- 9 You shall crush them with an iron rod \*  
and shatter them like a piece of pottery.”
- 10 And now, you kings, be wise; \*  
be warned, you rulers of the earth.
- 11 Submit to the Lord with fear, \*  
and with trembling bow before him;

- 12 Lest he be angry and you perish; \*  
for his wrath is quickly kindled.
- 13 Happy are they all \*  
who take refuge in him!

A Reading from the second letter of Peter

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. [2 Peter 1:16-21]

Reader The Word of the Lord.  
People Thanks be to God.

Christ upon the mountain peak (Stand).....Hymn 129

The Gospel

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord 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.” [Matthew 17:1-9]

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

**Children’s Chapel** (9:00 am only)  
*Pre-K through 3rd grade children gather at the front steps of the chancel for a blessing before processing to Children’s Chapel.*

**The Sermon**  
*A brief period of silence follows the sermon.*

**The Nicene Creed** (Stand).....**BCP 358**

**The Prayers of the People** (Kneel)  
*At the end of each petition*  
Leader     Majestic God,  
People     show us your glory.

**The Collect for the Diocese**

**The Confession & Absolution**..... **BCP 360**

**The Peace** (Stand) ..... **BCP 360**

**Announcements**

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**Offertory**.....*Beautiful Savior*  
F. Melius Christiansen

*If you are worshipping with us in person, we encourage you to place your gift in the offering plates as they are passed in the pews. For instructions on online and text giving, see the back panel of this bulletin.*

**Presentation of Gifts** (Stand)  
To God the Father, heavenly Light,  
to Christ, revealed in earthly night,  
to God the Holy Ghost we raise  
our equal and unceasing praise.

**Eucharistic Prayer B** .....**BCP 367**  
**The Sanctus** ..... **Hymn S 128**  
**The Lord’s Prayer** ..... **BCP 364**  
**The Fraction Anthem** ..... **Hymn S 155**

**Communion**  
*All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion. Approach the altar in a double line via the center aisle. Stand or kneel at the rail and receive the Bread in your hand. You may sip from the common cup or allow the minister to dip the Bread in the Wine for you. If you prefer a blessing, fold your arms across your chest. If coming forward is difficult, tell an usher and a minister will bring Communion to your pew.*  
*Intercessory prayer is available during Communion at the rear of the nave near the baptismal font; trained ministers offer brief, confidential prayer and anointing for comfort, healing, or strength.*

**Communion Hymns**..... **134, 123, 137**

**The Postcommunion Prayer** (Kneel)..... **BCP 365**

**Sending of Eucharistic Visitors**  
*If Eucharistic Visitors are sent forth to take Communion to the sick or homebound, the following is said.*

Celebrant     N., we send you forth in the Name of this  
Congregation, to N. bearing these holy gifts, that  
those to whom you go may share with us in the  
communion of Christ’s body and blood.  
  
People     We who are many are one body, because we all  
share one bread, one cup.

**The Blessing**

**Ye watchers and ye holy ones** (Stand) .....**Hymn 618**

**The Dismissal** ..... **BCP 366**

**Voluntary**..... **Litanies**  
Jehan Alain

**Tower Bells**

*Today’s altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Chollet Ramsey  
in thanksgiving for for her children, Chollet and Bret,  
on their February birthdays.*

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**Childcare**

Free, professional childcare is provided 8:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. each Sunday.

**Hearing System**

To access our hearing loop system, set your hearing aid to tele-coil or “t” telephone mode. If your hearing aid does not have this capability, wireless headsets are available at the north tower entrance or from an usher.

**Large Print Bulletins**

Large print bulletins are available in the south transept amd north tower for the visually impaired. Pick one up by the door or ask an usher.

**Altar Flower Dedications**

Altar flower dedications are a wonderful way to honor loved ones. Visit the GIVE page on St. John’s website or contact the church office for assistance.

**Weekly Services**

**SUNDAY**  
7:45 a.m.....Holy Eucharist (Rite I).....Sanctuary  
9:00 a.m..... Holy Eucharist (Rite II) .....Sanctuary  
*service is livestreamed*  
11:15 a.m..... Holy Eucharist (Rite II) .....Sanctuary  
7:30 p.m.....Sung Compline .....Sanctuary

**WEDNESDAY**  
12:10 p.m..... Holy Eucharist (Rite II) ..... Chapel  
*with Healing Prayer*  
5:30 p.m..... Evensong..... Chapel  
*Sung by the Choristers*

**Parish Prayer List**

Please take this list home each week and commit to  
praying daily for your fellow parishioners.

**Prayers:** Mtr. Leslie Roraback, Diana Daktere, Baby Honor Isabelle Strauss, John, Ben, Sharon & Nathanael Lyle, Tina, Ray, Corinna Strayer, Linda, Sharon, Stephen, Allison, Elizabeth, Mary Kaye, Nora, Jeannie, Mimi, Mary Lee, LiAnn  
**The Departed:** Earl Yarborough  
**Our Clergy:** The Rev. Lonnie Lacy, Rector; The Rev. Leslie Roraback, Associate Rector; The Rev. Dcn. Joe Bakker, Deacon; The Rev. Dcn. Melanie Salsgiver, Deacon and Seminarian