



PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER
THE EPIPHANY

The Rev. Javier Almendárez-Bautista, Celebrant
The Rev. George Adamik, Homilist

HOLY EUCHARIST
9:00 A.M. SERVICE
FEBRUARY 19, 2023

Prelude

Andrew Lang, Organist

Processional

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

Hymn 135

Liturgy of the Word

Opening Acclamation

The Celebrant says

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People

Glory to God for ever and ever.

The Celebrant says

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 following is sung.

Gloria

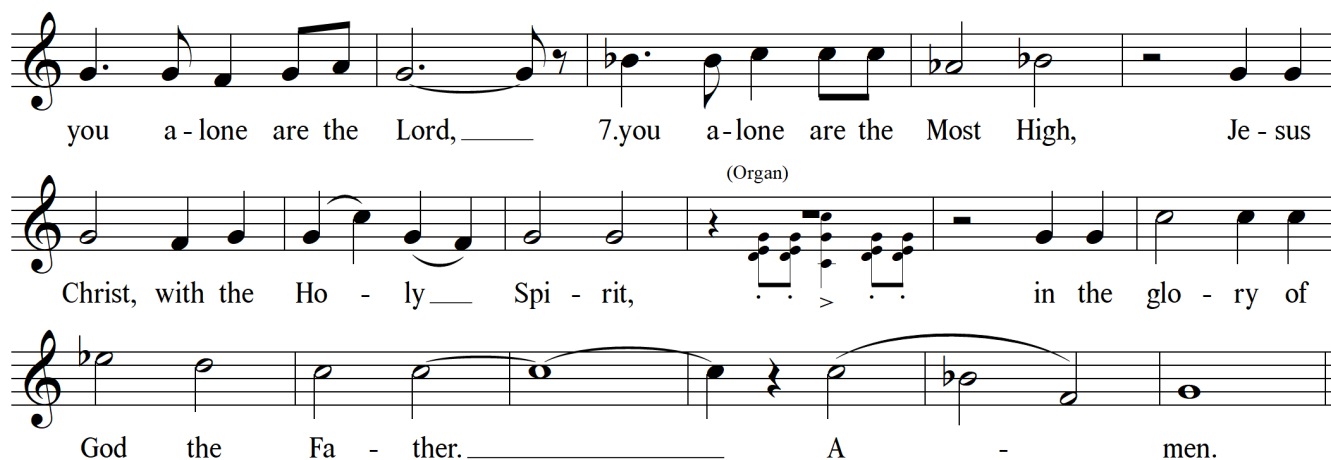
Glory to God

Hymnal S 278

(Organ)

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, — and
peace to his peo - ple on earth.. — 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al - might - y God and
Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise — you for your glo -
ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, — Lord God,
Lamb of God, 4. you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;
you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.
(Organ)

6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,



Collect of the Day

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.*

Children's Processional

All Things Bright and Beautiful

Hymn 405

Verse 1

Children's Chapel is for children ages 3 to 5th grade.

First Reading

Exodus 24:12-18

A Reading from 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.

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

The Psalm

Psalm 2

- 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!

Second Reading

2 Peter 1:16-21

A Reading from Second 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.

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

Gradual

Christ Upon the Mountain Peak

Hymn 129

Gospel

Matthew 17:1-9

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

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."

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

Homily

The Rev. George Adamik

Nicene Creed

All who are able, stand.

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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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 and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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

People's Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Confession of Sin

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

BCP 360

All who are able, kneel. Minister and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

Peace

BCP 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People *And also with you.*

Announcements

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory

At the Name of Jesus
St. Paul's Choir

Richard Waters

Eucharistic Prayer 2

Enriching Our Worship 1

The People remain standing.

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 our thanks and praise.*

The Celebrant proceeds.

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Celebrant and People

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 -



The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, 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. Again, he gave thanks to you, 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."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

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 Celebrant then continues

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

Lord's Prayer

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People and Celebrant

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.

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

Jesus, Lamb of God

Hymnal S 164



Holy Communion

The Celebrant says

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.

If you are at home or otherwise unable to take communion, you may say the following prayer.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

The Communion Music

Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor
Draw Nigh and Take

Hymn 307
Hymn 328

Final Prayer

Celebrant and People

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food as we hear your Word proclaimed and gather at your holy Table. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

Recessional

O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair

Hymn 137

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.

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

Postlude

Andrew Lang, Organist

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The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God an in thanksgiving for the birthdays of
Sam, Josh and Andrew by Aleta and Neil McClenney.

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New to St. Paul's? Please let us know you are here by filling out a visitor card in the pew. Stop by our Welcome Station in the narthex (lobby) to chat with Greeters and find materials that might help if you are new to the Episcopal church. Contact Mary Kintz, our Community Connector, at mary.kintz@stpaulscary.org to learn more.

Coffee Hour: Hosted this week by the Cursillo Ministry. Join us in the Parish Hall after the 9:00 service.

Adult Formation (Chapel, 10:15-11:00 a.m.): Our Winter Forum Series is on The Gospel of Matthew. Today, the Rev. Javier Almendárez-Bautista presents on "Matthew: Jesus' Trial, Death, and Resurrection."

Communion Classes (Church, 10:15-11:00 a.m.) Final class today:

For children ages 1st Grade through 3rd Grade. Classes are not a pre-requisite for communion participation, but they provide an excellent way to learn about the meaning of the rite. Prior registration is helpful but not required. A Communion Celebration will take place at a festive Coffee Hour on February 26.

Children's Sunday School: Classes are meeting in the Education Building from 10:15-11:00 a.m.

Youth Sunday School: Classes are meeting in the Youth Wing from 10:15-11:00 a.m.

Episcopal Youth Community (EYC): NO MEETING this evening (Presidents' Day holiday).



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hospitality Ministries Gathering Today: We're growing our hospitality ministries! Ushers, Greeters, Newcomers and other ministries who welcome visitors are gathering TODAY at 12:30 p.m. in the Church. Join us as we celebrate and share updates on how we are guiding visitors to find their place with us. Curious about joining one of these ministries? Come and see where you can help.

Newcomer Tour Today: Those new or newly returned to St. Paul's who wish to know more can join a tour of our campus on the 3rd Sunday of each month (TODAY) at 10:15 a.m. Meet at the Welcome Station in the narthex (lobby).

Movie Night: Movie lovers are invited to join us monthly at Fortnight Brewing Company in Cary for a discussion of recent and not-so-recent films, hosted by Fr. Javier and Tad Richard. This month we are meeting on Monday, February 27 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the movie *Roma*, which is showing on Netflix. Watch the movie at home and join us for discussion. See the St. Paul's website for more information.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper/Mardi Gras: Join us for pancakes and sausage cooked by the Men's Group on Tuesday, February 21 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. We will have Mardi Gras activities for children as well. \$8 for adults and \$5 for children (under age 5 free) helps us cover the cost of providing this fun evening.

Ash Wednesday: Imposition of Ashes will be held at 7:00 a.m., 12:00 noon, 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. on February 22. The 6:00 p.m. service is our Children and Families' service, though all are welcome to attend any service.

Appalachia Service Project (ASP): Registration is open now for youth and adults who will join us for the trip to Appalachia from June 18-24, 2023. Contact Kevin Swann at swann.kev@gmail.com for more information. Register by March 10 to secure your spot.

ONE Wake at St. Paul's: Please join our ONE Wake Core Team on Sunday, February 26 at 12:30 p.m. in the Church to learn how you can help us conduct Listening Sessions this spring. Contact Mary Kintz and Christina Myers at onewake@stpaulscary.org for more information. All are welcome to join this effort.

NC Episcopal Cursillo Weekend: Cursillo is a spiritual renewal ministry for men and women founded on a three-day weekend of talks, group discussions, worship and fun. Weekend #110 will be held at Camp Walter Johnson in Denton, NC on April 20-23, 2023. Contact Barb Magee at barbmagee311@gmail.com for more information.

Spaghetti Dinner: Mark your calendars for Friday, March 10 as we bring back our Appalachia Service Project (ASP) Spaghetti Dinner, the major fundraiser supporting this important youth ministry. Extra help is needed for this community event; you do not have to be part of our Youth Ministry to volunteer. Contact Stephanie Hirschy at shirschy@yahoo.com to find out how you can help.

Beach Weeks are Back! Join your St. Paul's friends at Emerald Isle for laughter, rest and relaxation this April as we bring back Men's Beach Week April 23-30 (contact Mike McInerney at michael.k.mcinerney@gmail.com) and Women's Beach Week April 30-May 7 (contact Yvon Daniel at yvdaniel60@gmail.com). No minimum stay is required. This trip is for adults only; newcomers are encouraged to join the fun.

Preschool: Registration for the 2023-2024 school year is now open, offering classes for one-year olds through five-year-olds. Please call 919-467-3788 or email preschool@stpaulscary.org to schedule a tour.

EYC/Pre-EYC: We have no activities today, February 19 due to Presidents' Day. We resume on February 26 with a combined Bowling Event at Buffalo Lanes in Cary from 5:00-6:15 p.m. Contact Rachel Campbell at rachelcampbell33@gmail.com for more information.

Prayer List: Adelaide, Dave, Walt, Bob, Peggy, Ben, Beth, Hunter, Barb, Jeanne, Emile, Noah, Lytvinenko family, Mandy, Jim, Christa, Dean, Ann, Lanette, Alison, Deb, Vickie, Ann, Melanie, Patricia, Wendy, June, Henry, Steve, Betsy and John, Katharine, Russ, William, Myrna, Jim, Terry, MaryBeth, Jenny, Lynn, Linda, Bella, Dave, M-K, Jinni, Andy, Theresa, Bill, Clarence and Susan, Jodi, Harry and Susan, Lynn, Carter, Hugh, Maggie, Bob, Clint, Elizabeth, Laura, Margaret, Millie, Ava, Ruby, Sue and Mary Jo.

If you have a name you would like to include on the prayer list, or a ministry event that you would like to announce in this printed bulletin, please send information to announcements@stpaulscary.org. Please note that there is a 2 week lead time on printed announcements.