



# St. John's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Eighth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 27, 2011

BCP-Book of Common Prayer

WLP Hymnal-Wonder, Love and Praise

## The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two 11:15 a.m.

### The Word of God

#### At the Procession

Hymnal #686 Come, thou fount of every blessing

*Nettleton*

#### Opening Acclamation and The Collect for Purity

**BCP 355**

#### Song of Praise

Hymnal #S278 Glory to God—*Gloria in excelsis*

William Mathias

#### The Collect of the Day

Most loving Father, whose will it is for us to give thanks for all things, to fear nothing but the loss of you, and to cast all our care on you who care for us: Preserve us from faithless fears and worldly anxieties, that no clouds of this mortal life may hide from us the light of that love which is immortal, and which you have manifested to us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

#### The Old Testament

##### Isaiah 49: 8-16a

Thus says the LORD:

In a time of favor I have answered you,  
on a day of salvation I have helped you;

I have kept you and given you  
as a covenant to the people,

to establish the land,

to apportion the desolate heritages;

saying to the prisoners, "Come out,"

to those who are in darkness, "Show yourselves."

They shall feed along the ways,

on all the bare heights shall be their pasture;

they shall not hunger or thirst,

neither scorching wind nor sun shall strike them down,

for he who has pity on them will lead them,

and by springs of water will guide them.

And I will turn all my mountains into a road,  
 and my highways shall be raised up.  
 Lo, these shall come from far away,  
 and lo, these from the north and from the west,  
 and these from the land of Syene.  
 Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth;  
 break forth, O mountains, into singing!  
 For the LORD has comforted his people,  
 and will have compassion on his suffering ones.

But Zion said, "The LORD has forsaken me,  
 my Lord has forgotten me."  
 Can a woman forget her nursing child,  
 or show no compassion for the child of her womb?  
 Even these may forget,  
 yet I will not forget you.  
 See, I have inscribed you on the palms of my hands.

## The Gradual

### Psalm 131 *Domine, non est*

Richard Woodward (1784-1777)



- 1 O LORD, I / am • not / proud; \*  
 I / have • no / haugh•ty / looks.
- 2 I do not occupy my/self with • great / matters, \*  
 or with / things • that / are • too / hard for me.
- 3 But I still my soul and make it quiet,  
 like a child upon its / moth•er's / breast; \*  
 my / soul • is / quieted • with/in me.
- 4 O Israel, / wait up•on the / LORD, \*  
 from this time / forth • for / ev•er/more.

## The Epistle

### 1 Corinthians 4:1-5

Think of us in this way, as servants of Christ and stewards of God's mysteries. Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found trustworthy. But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged by you or by any human court. I do not even judge myself. I am not aware of anything against myself, but I am not thereby acquitted. It is the Lord who judges me. Therefore do not pronounce judgment before the time, before the Lord comes, who will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Then each one will receive commendation from God.

## At the Sequence

Festival Alleluias (*All sing alleluias; Cantor sings versicle; All sing alleluias.*)



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

## The Gospel

### Matthew 6:24-34

Jesus said, "No one can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you-- you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

"So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today."

**The Sermon** The Reverend Scott R. Fleischer

**The Nicene Creed**

**BCP 358**

**The Prayers of the People, Form VI**

**BCP 392**

**Confession of Sin and Absolution**

**The Peace**

## The Holy Communion

**At the Offertory** How Beauteous Are Their Feet  
*Chancel Choir*

C. V. Stanford

## Hymn at the Presentation

Hymnal #119, vv. 1 and 3

*Dix*

As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold;  
as with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beaming bright;  
so, most gracious Lord, may we evermore be led to thee.

As they offered gifts most rare at that manger rude and bare;  
so may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy,  
all our costliest treasures bring, Christ! to thee, our heavenly King.

**The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A**

Hymnal #S125 Holy, holy, holy Lord--*Sanctus*  
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

**BCP 361**  
Richard Proulx

**The Breaking of the Bread**

Hymnal #328, vv. 1-2  
Draw nigh and take the Body of the Lord,  
And drink the holy Blood for your outpoured.  
Saved by that Body and that holy Blood,  
With souls refreshed, we render thanks to God.

*Song 46*

**Hymns at the Communion**

Hymnal #665 All my hope on God is founded  
Hymnal #416 For the beauty of the earth  
WLP #831 *Ubi caritas* (Where true charity)

*Michael*  
*Lucerna Laudoniae*  
Jacques Berthier

**People's response to the sending out of the Eucharistic Visitors:**

*May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this Sacrament of Christ's presence.*

**Postcommunion Prayer and Blessing**

**BCP 366**

**Hymn at the Procession**

Hymnal #438 Tell out, my soul

*Woodlands*

**Dismissal**

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