

The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

February 23, 2020

8 AM & 10 AM Rite II BCP 355

Prelude: Aria George Frideric Handel

Please stand

Hymn: LEV&S 130 Glory, Glory Hallelujah

The Opening Acclamation

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

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

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.**

Gloria S 277

Collect

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.**

THE WORD OF GOD

Please be seated

The First Lesson Exodus 24:12-18

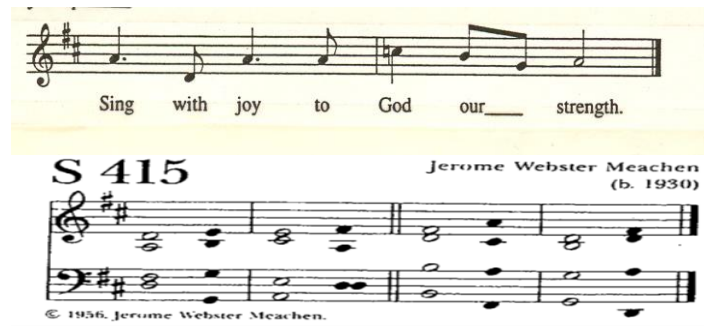
The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had 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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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Psalm 99

- 1 The Lord is King; let the people tremble; **he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.**
- 2 The Lord is great in Zion; ***he is high above all peoples.**
- 3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; ***he is the Holy One.**
- 4 "O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; ***you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."**
- 5 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and fall down before his footstool; ***he is the Holy One.**
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, ***they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.**
- 7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; ***they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.**
- 8 O Lord our God, you answered them; indeed, ***you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.**
- 9 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and worship him upon his holy hill; ***for the Lord our God is the Holy One.**

The Epistle

2 Peter 1:16-21

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

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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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Sequence Hymn: LEV&S 115 Spirit of Living God (sung twice)

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew 17:1-9

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

Praise to You Lord Christ.

Anthem: Nobody Knows De trouble I've Seen

H.T. Burleigh

Soloist: Everett Suttle

Sermon: The Hon. Dolores Brathwaite

Please stand

The Nicene Creed **BCP 358**

The Prayers of the People Form IV **BCP 388**

Let us pray for the church and the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common

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good.

Silence.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Confession **BCP 360**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence.*

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.**

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.**

The Peace **BCP 360**

Please be seated

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Announcements

The Offertory

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Anthem: Assurance Arr. John Ness Beck

Hymn: LEV&S 120 Down by the Riverside

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

Celebrant: The Lord be with you

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Sanctus and Benedictus

David Hurd

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven 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.

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

At the Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia.

Agnus Dei

David Hurd

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

The Invitation

BCP 364

Anthem: This little light of mine

John Work

Hymn LEV&S 152 Let Us Break Bread Together

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

BCP 365

Sending forth of the Eucharistic Visitors:

In the name of this congregation I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many are one body because we share one bread, one cup. **Amen.**

Healing Prayer

May God the Father bless you, God the Son heal you, God the Holy Spirit give you strength. May God the holy and undivided Trinity guard your body, save your soul, and bring you safely to his heavenly country; where he lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hymn: LEV&S 1 Lift Every Voice and Sing

Dismissal

Postlude: At The River Aaron Copland
Soloist: Everett Suttle

Ministers of the Liturgy

Celebrant: Rev. Dr. Chip Graves

Assisting Priest: Rev. Adolfo Moronta

Organist: Peter Roberts

Guest Speaker: The Hon. Delores Brathwaite

Guest Soloist: Everett Suttle

Eucharistic Visitors: Sandy McAllister,
Hazel Haney

Lector 8AM: Linda Heusser

Lector 10 AM: Carlos Muñoz, John Mitchell

Intercessor: Nate Hogan

Altar Minister 8AM: Brinda Bradley

10 AM: Melanie Jackson

Acolytes 10AM: Lauren Reid, Spencer Carden, Jordan Acevedo, Gabrielle Parkinson, Sam Brown, Cameron Owens

Ushers 10AM: Jo- Ann B. Boylan, Gloria Chang, Giovanni Green, Michael Heffner, Andrea Spencer

Coffee Hour Host: Black History Celebration

Join us in culminating a month of honoring Black History with a joyful celebration of food and refreshments that reflects our diverse culture.

Everyone is invited to bring a dish.

Janine Daughtry and Nicole Mangum are the Coordinators of Potluck Celebration

Assistants: Team 4

Nursery Care: available during 10AM Service

Grace Church Prayer List: We hold the following people in prayer: Lee Aldrich, Bernice Burton, Cynthia Cole, Kimberly Corelli, Inez Dale, Carol DiGilio, Bill Dunphy, Cathy Dunphy, Sandra Esannason, Laura Fields, Sid Fromm, The Rev. Lisa Graves, Kat Graves, Lydia Green, Sylvia Howard, Linda Heusser, Jackie Jansky,

Evgeniy Kaufman, Nellie King, Peshotan, Kotval, Manoris Long, Donna Louis, Paxton Louis, Dorothy Lynch, Janice Moore, Selena Perry, Gladstone Reid, Leroy Reid, Renee Reid, Uriel Reid, Charlotte Roberson, Al Sargent, Esteban Silvera, Sonia P. Smith, Norman Stanton, Susan Stanton, Dominick Vita, Natasha Vodyanitskaya, Ray Williams

Calvary Hospital: Verna Brown

Cedar Manor, Ossining: Robert Auld

The Grove at Valhalla: Susan Stanton, Cynthia Cole

Serving in the Armed Forces: Kenny Duffy, Denny J. Edmondson, Christopher P. Halstead, David Packer, Sgt. Christopher Vigliotti, Gunnery Sgt. Les Yearwood

Please contact Sandy McAllister if you would like to place someone's name on our prayer list. If you have a family member or loved one on our prayer list, please provide our office with emergency contact information.

Birthdays

Feb. 23rd Raymond Chang, Sebastian Maldonado

Feb. 24th Harrison Richards

Feb. 26th Isabella Preston

Feb. 28th Jahaira Perez, Tiffany Reid

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

February 1st Celebrate Black History Month at Grace

Sunday, February 23

8 AM The Holy Eucharist

10 AM The Holy Eucharist

12:30 PM La Gracia Santa Eucaristía

Wednesday, February 26

Ash Wednesday

7:30 AM & 12:00 PM The Ash Wednesday Liturgy

No DTM Concert held at Grace

7:30 PM Bilingual Ash Wednesday Liturgy

Thursday, February 27

12:05 PM Eucharist in Chapel

7:30 PM La Gracia Bible Study – Library

If you are visiting with us for the first time, we welcome you to Grace Church!

Our liturgy is found in the Book of Common Prayer. Our communion is open to all baptized Christians.

Please take the time to fill out one of our visitor cards which the ushers have available.

Your presence is a blessing to us; may our worship together be a blessing to you.



GRACE CHURCH

of the Episcopal Diocese of New York

The Right Reverend Andrew ML. Dietsche, Bishop
The Right Reverend Allen Kunho Shin, Bishop Suffragan
The Right Reverend Mary Glasspool, Assistant Bishop
The Reverend Dr. Chip Graves, Rector
The Reverend Adolfo Moronta, Associate Priest
Peter Roberts, Director of Music of Grace Church
Juan Carlos Abreu, Director of Music of La Gracia
Donna Louis, Youth Ministry Coordinator
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Class of 2020: Daisy Calderon, Hillary Fleming,
Michael Heffner

Class of 2021: Irene Alves, Sorraya Sampson Elliott,
Eileen McClean

Class of 2022: Daniel Corsanego, Edythe Horne,
Charlotte Roberson

Grace Church is a diverse congregation committed to a common life sustained by worship. We bear witness to God's love in Christ through our life together and our service to the wider community.

All are welcome.

