



FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY  
Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Year A  
February 8, 2026, 10AM

## Welcome!

We are happy to worship with you, and honored to have you with us!  
Our liturgy comes from the Book of Common Prayer.  
Everything you will need for this service can be found in this bulletin  
and also the blue *Hymnal* in the pew rack.

Children begin in service with their families, and will be  
invited to Sunday School in Nieman Hall by Miss Kathryn.  
The children will rejoin the service at the Peace.





THE SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 2:1-16

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

*The people stand.*

SEQUENCE ALLELUIA

*Sung by all, before and after  
the choir sings the verse*

Taizé

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu -

ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 5:13-20

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

People

Glo - ry to you Lord Christ

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you Lord Christ

*The people sit.*

SERMON

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.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*The Leader offers intercessions on behalf of the congregation; during the silences the people may add their own petitions, silently or aloud.*

*Each petition concludes* Lord, in your mercy,  
*People respond*               **hear our prayer.**

*Leader* "...with the Father and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

BCP, p. 360

*The people sit or kneel.*

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

*Presider 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.**

*After the Absolution is said, the people respond* **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*Presider* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*The people greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

*The Sunday School children return to the sanctuary.*

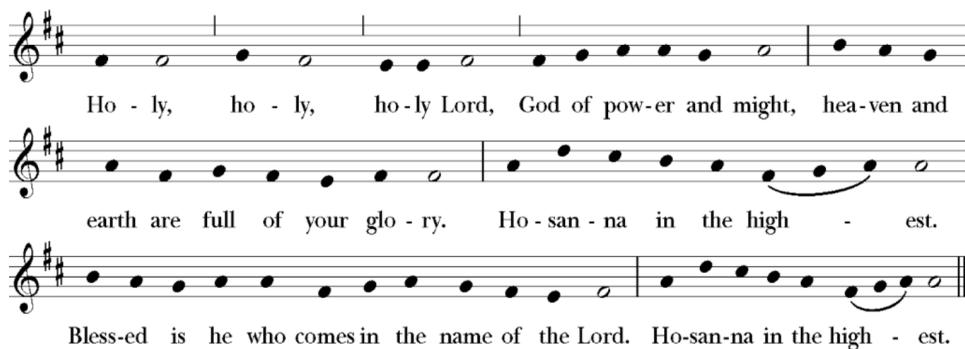
## WORDS OF WELCOME



SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

(Hurd)

Hymnal S-124



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.

*Presider*

We give thanks to you, O God...

Therefore, according to his command, O Father:

*Presider and People*

**We remember his death,**

**We proclaim his resurrection,**

**We await his coming in glory;**

*Presider*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise...

... all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.



A — men — A — men — A — men

*Presider*

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

*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.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*A period of silence is kept.*

**Presider**

Christ our Passover

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

**2 People**

There fore let us keep the feast.

**All**

Al - le - lu - ia

*Presider* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All baptized persons are invited to receive Communion.*

*Our custom is to receive the bread on extended hands and drink from the cup.*

*Intinction— dipping the wafer in the wine—is not practiced.*

*To receive a blessing instead of the sacrament, cross your arms over your chest.*

*If you need to have Communion brought to you at your seat, please inform an usher.*

*Gluten-free bread is available upon request.*

FRACTION ANTHEM

“Agnus Dei”  
(Hurd)

Hymnal S-161

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.

COMMUNION MUSIC

“Wie Schön”  
organ

G. P. Telemann

COMMUNION HYMN

“I Want to Walk as a Child  
of the Light”  
(Houston)

Hymnal 490

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*The people stand*

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*Presider* Let us pray.

*Presider and People*

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.

THE BLESSING

*The Presider invokes God’s blessing upon all, to which the people respond Amen.*

MUSIC

Bell Peal on “Langham”

Anne Matlack

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

## "These Are My People"

Langham

Word by Jabez Van Cleef in honor of the new Parish Hall.



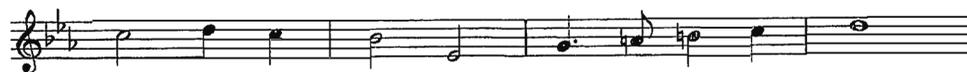
1 These are My peo - ple: now I sing for each one,  
 2 Source of all know - ing, bind this con - gre - ga - tion,  
 3 Ma - ny and more, may voi - ces of these peo - ple



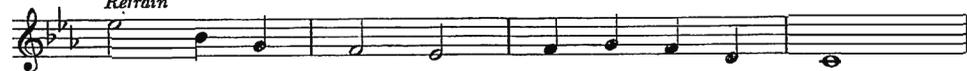
Sing with these walls of mor - tar and of stone,  
 Build with their spir - it, a church of last - ing love;  
 Sing here to - ge - ther, in bright har - mo - ny;



Sing with these win - dows bright and e - ver clear - er,  
 Long may the chil - dren, eve - ry gen - er - a - tion,  
 Breath of the Spi - rit liv - ing in these cham - bers,



Shin - ing the Love that casts a - way all fear:  
 Heark - en to My voice, call - ing from a - bove:  
 They will at - tend Me, I will heed their cry:

*Refrain*

This house was built with man - y hands of love.  
 "Heal wound - ed souls with man - y hands of love."  
 "Strength - en this church with man - y hands of love."

## DISMISSAL

The people are dismissed in the name of Christ.

Response **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

"Wie Schön Leuchtet  
 der Morgenstern"

Andreas Armsdorff

organ

Read about the music in our service on Dr. Anne's Sunday Music Blog:

[www.annematlack.wordpress.com](http://www.annematlack.wordpress.com)

# Grace Calendar Highlights

See [www.gracemadison.org](http://www.gracemadison.org) for more details.

TODAY **Annual Parish Meeting**, *Church*

**Souper Bowl of Caring Collection**—*money donated will support local food pantries*

Sat, Feb 14, 5:30-8PM, **Parent's Night Out**, *Grace Hall*. RSVP: [akfinlay13@gmail.com](mailto:akfinlay13@gmail.com)

Sun, Feb 15, 1:30PM, **Casserole Ministry Cooking**, *Kitchen*

Mon, Feb 16, 7PM **Women's Book Group**, *The Woman They Could Not Silence*, *Library*

Tue, Feb 17, 5:00-7:00PM, **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**, *Grace Hall*

Tues, Feb 17, 7:30PM **Men's Book Group**, *The Destiny of the Republic*, *offsite*

Sat, Feb 21, **Chili Cook-off**, *Grace Hall*

Tues, Feb 24, 7PM, **Circle of Women**, *Library*

Sun, March 8, **Pie Sale for Pi Day**

Feb 27-March 1, **Women's Retreat**

## ***Weekly Gatherings***

Fridays, 11AM, **Bible Study** with Father Robert, *Library*

Sundays, 11:30AM, **Youth Group** for grades 6-12, *Classroom, Upper Level*

## **LENTEN PRACTICES**

**ASH WEDNESDAY**, February 18

**12PM** Spoken Holy Eucharist & Imposition of Ashes, organ music

**7PM** Choral Holy Eucharist & Imposition of Ashes

*Children's Program & babysitting available.*

## **CHANTED COMPLINE BY CANDLELIGHT**

Thursdays, 8:45-9PM beginning February 19, in the Choir Stalls

**LENTEN ORGAN RECITALS** Fridays at 12:15-12:45PM

February 20: **Anne Matlack**, *Music of Black Composers*

## **Grace Prayer List**

We pray for all who are in need, especially Nancy, Leo, Allison, Nikki, Julian, Margaret, Ruth, Stuart, Allen, David, Brian, Margaret, Robert, Richard, Kackie, Marianne, Paul, Eloise, Croft, Matt, John, James, Mary, Tiffanie, Jo, Susan, Brigitte, Elizabeth, Brian, Sue.

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