



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.

## ENTRANCE RITE

### PRELUDE

*“Wie Schön Leuchtet  
der Morgenstern”*

Johann Pachelbel

*The people stand.*

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*“How Bright Appears  
the Morning Star”  
(Wie Schön)*

Hymnal 497

### THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP, p. 355

*Presider* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

*People* **And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

*The Presider prays the Collect, after which all respond* **Amen.**

### SONG OF PRAISE

*“Give Light”*

Greg Artzner

*Chapel and School Choirs*

and Terry Leonino

*Children, age 4 through grade 5, are invited to join Miss Kathryn for Sunday School  
in Nieman Hall. They will return to the sanctuary at the Peace.*

*Nursery care is available for children through age 4.*

*The people remain standing.*

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP, p. 216

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

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

*The Presider prays the Collect, after which all respond* **Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*The people are seated for the readings.*

### THE FIRST LESSON

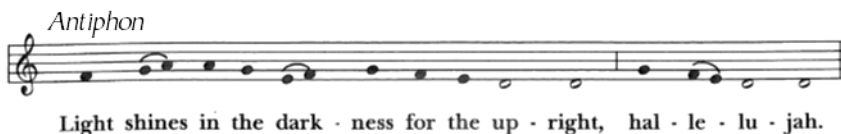
Isaiah 58:1-12

Lector      The Word of the Lord.

People      **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 112:1-9      *Antiphon* sung by choir, and repeated by all.      BCP, p. 755

*Then sung as indicated.*



- 1 Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord \*  
and have great delight in his commandments!
- 2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; \*  
the generation of the upright will be blessed.
- 3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, \*  
and their righteousness will last for ever.      *Antiphon*
- 4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; \*  
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.
- 5 It is good for them to be generous in lending \*  
and to manage their affairs with justice.
- 6 For they will never be shaken; \*  
the righteous will be kept in  
everlasting remembrance.      *Antiphon*
- 7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; \*  
their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.
- 8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, \*  
until they see their desire upon their enemies.
- 9 They have given freely to the poor, \*  
and their righteousness stands fast for ever;  
they will hold up their head with honor.      *Antiphon*

## THE SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 2:1-16

*Lector*      The Word of the Lord.

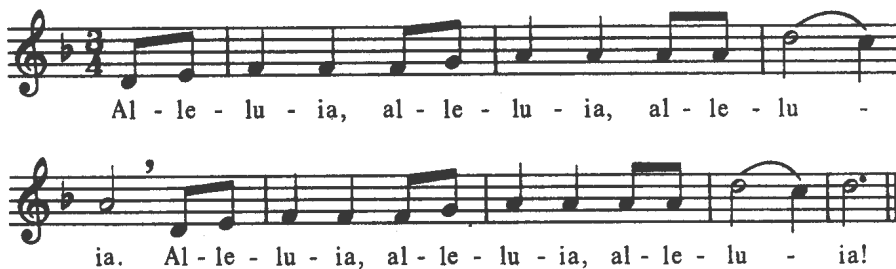
*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

*The people stand.*

## SEQUENCE ALLELUIA

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

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## THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 5:13-20

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

*People*



*Gospeller*      The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*



*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

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

“Sometimes a Light Surprises”

Irish Tune

Sung by the Choirs.

arr. Alfred Fedak



Please feel free to make your offering in thanksgiving to God using the electronic giving options at [www.gracemadison.org/giving](http://www.gracemadison.org/giving).

*The people stand.*

PRESENTATION HYMN

“Be Thou My Vision”

Hymnal 488

(Slane)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Eucharistic Prayer B Hymnal S-120, BCP, p. 367

*Presider*                      *People*

The Lord be with you.      And al - so with you.

*Presider*                      *People*

Lift up your hearts.      We lift them to the Lord.

*Presider*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*Presider* It is right and a good and joyful thing...  
... who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

# 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

**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.*

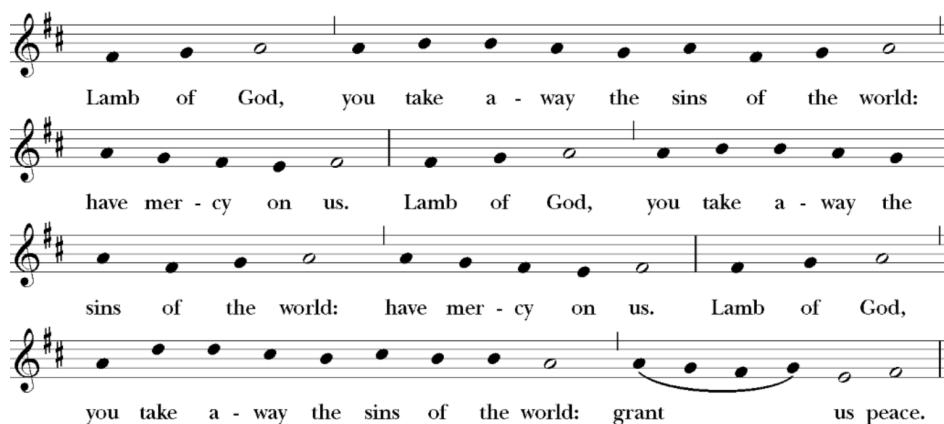
*If you need to have Communion brought to you at your seat, please inform an usher.*

*Gluten-free bread is available upon request.*

## FRACTION ANTHEM

“Agnus Dei”  
(Hurd)

Hymnal S-161



## 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*

BCP, p. 365

*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”

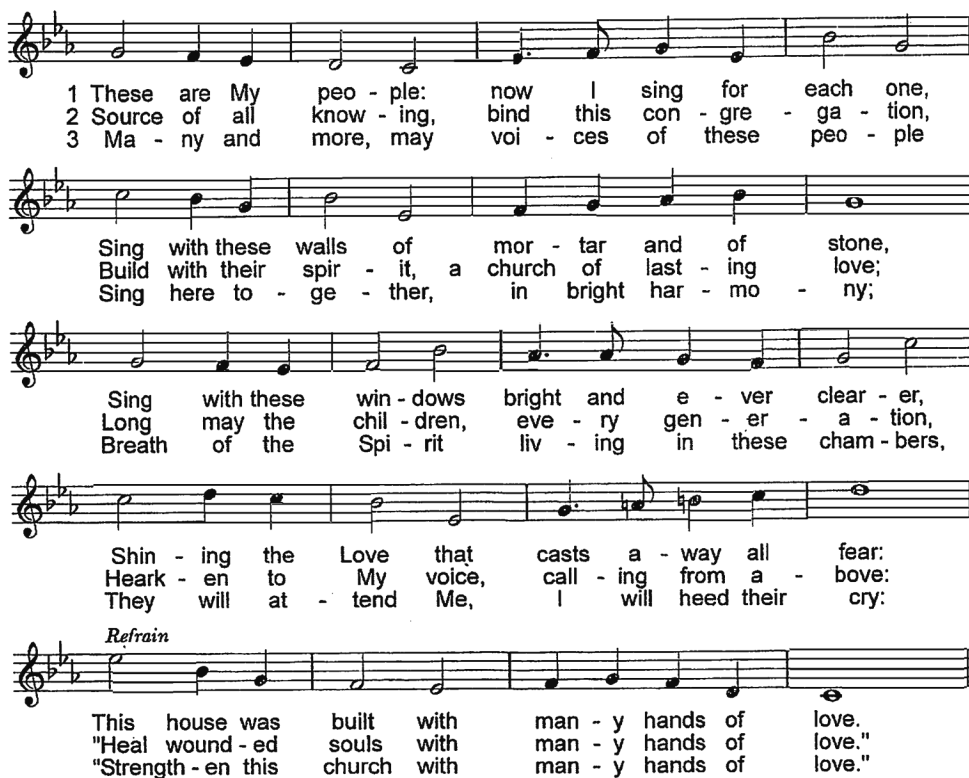
Anne Matlack

# RECESSIONAL HYMN

"These Are My People"

Langham

Word by Jabez Van Cleeef 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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