



SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY  
Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Year A  
February 15, 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.

*The altar flowers today are given to the Glory of God and  
in loving memory of Harris Baldwin Fisher, Jr.  
by Peggy & Kirk Oakes, Gretel & Whitney Merrill,  
and Sallie & Brian O'Connor.*

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

“Wareham”

Healey Willan

*The people stand.*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“O Wondrous Type”  
(Wareham)

Hymnal 137

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

“El Cielo cant’ Alegría”  
School Choirs

Pablo / Sosa  
arr. Berg

*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. 215

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

Exodus 24:12-18

*Lector*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 99, 1, 2, 6-9**   *Antiphon sung by choir, and repeated by all.*

*Then sung as indicated.*

*Refrain*



Pro-claim the great-ness of the Lord our God; He is the Ho-ly One.

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.

*Refrain*

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. *Refrain*

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.

*Refrain*

## THE SECOND LESSON

2 Peter 1:16-21

*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 17:1-9

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



Glo - ry to you Lord Christ

*Gospeller* The Gospel of the Lord.



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.

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

## CONFESSiON AND ABSOLUTiON The people sit or kneel.

BCP, p. 360

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 people stand.

## 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

## “Go Up to the Mountain of God”

Michael Helman

Choirs; Erik Donough, flute



*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

## “Christ Upon the Mountain Peak” (Mowsley)

## Hymnal 129

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

Presider It is right and a good and joyful thing...

... who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## SANCTUS &amp; 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

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP, p. 364

*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.

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

2      People      All  
There fore let us keep the feast.      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

## "This Little Light of Mine"

Calvin Taylor

organ

## COMMUNION HYMN

## "Alleluia, Song of Gladness"

Hymnal 122

(Urbs beata Jerusalem)

Verse 2: Trebles

Verse 3: Tenors &amp; Basses

## 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.

**CLOSING HYMN**

“Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones”  
(*Lasst uns erfreuen*)

Hymnal 618

**DISMISSAL**

*The people are dismissed in the name of Christ.*

**Response**    **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

“Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones”  
*organ*

Hal Hopson

*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.

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

Mon, Feb 16, Parish Office is closed in observance of President's Day

Mon, Feb 16, 7PM, **Women's Book Group**, Library

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

Tues, Feb 17, 7:30PM, **Men's Book Group**, offsite

Wed, Feb 18, **Ash Wednesday**

6AM, **Ashes to Go**, Madison Train Station

**No Morning Prayer on Zoom**

Noon, **Spoken Eucharist w. Imposition of Ashes**, Church

7PM, **Choral Eucharist w. Imposition of Ashes**, Church

Thu, Feb 19, 8:45PM, **Compline**, Church

Fri, Feb 20, 12:15PM, **Lenten Organ Recital**, Church

Sat, Feb 21, 4:30PM, **Chili Cook-Off**, Grace Hall

Mon, Feb 23, 3PM-Dusk, **Weekday Self Guided Stations of the Cross begins**

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

Wed, Feb 25, 6:30PM, **Guided Stations of the Cross**, outside

Thu, Feb 19, 8:45PM, **Compline**, Church

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### Clergy

The Rev. Susan R. Ironside, *Rector*

The Rev. Canon Robert T. Griner, *Associate*

### Worship Services

#### *Holy Eucharist Services*

Sunday 8AM & 10AM

#### *Morning Prayer*

Wednesday 8:30AM Zoom

Saturday 8:30AM Zoom

### Staff

Dr. Anne Matlack, *Organist & Director of Choirs*

Camille Bourland, *Children's Choirs*

Linda Bowden, *Chapel Choir*

Matthew North, *The Gargoyles Director*

Eve Albiston, Hadley Bendelius,

Annabelle Palmer, *Junior Head Choristers*

Kathryn McManus, *Children's Ministries*

Mary McManus, *Youth Ministries*

Geoff Brooks, *Senior Verger*

Audrey Bendelius, Peter Munter

& Lucy Waterstredt, *Head Acolytes*

Michael Kostial, *Parish Administrator*

Susie Harris, *Communications*

Osh Khublall, *Bookkeeper*

Jose Bonilla, *Sexton*