

## **The Last Sunday After the Epiphany**

**15 February 2026 10:00 am**

### **Holy Eucharist Rite II**

***Hymn # 437***

***When morning gilds the skies***

**The Opening Acclamation**  
***Sanctus S280***

**BCP 355**

### **The Collect of the Day:**

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**

### **The Old Testament: 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  
*People: Thanks be to God*

## **Psalm 2**

- 1 Why are the nations in an uproar? \*  
    Why do the peoples mutter empty threats?
- 2 Why do the mighty of the earth rise up in revolt,  
    and the rulers plot together, \*  
    against God and against God's Anointed?
- 3 "Let us break their yoke," they say; \*  
    "let us cast off their bonds from us."
- 4 You whose throne is in heaven are laughing; \*  
    you have them in derision.
- 5 Then you speak to them in your wrath, \*  
    and your rage fills them with terror.
- 6 "I myself have set my monarch \*  
    upon my holy hill of Zion."
- 7 Let me announce the decree of God: \*  
    who has said to me, "You are my Son;  
    this day have I begotten you.
- 8 Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your  
    inheritance \*  
    and the ends of the earth for your possession.
- 9 You shall crush them with an iron rod \*  
    and shatter them like a piece of pottery."
- 10 And now, you monarchs, be wise; \*  
    be warned, you rulers of the earth.
- 11 Submit to God with fear, \*  
    and with trembling bow before the Most High;
- 12 Lest God be angry and you perish; \*  
    for divine wrath is quickly kindled.
- 13 Happy are they all \*  
    who take refuge in God!

## **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 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

*People: Thanks be to God*

## **Hymn #129**

## ***Christ upon the mountain peak***

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Matthew

*People: Glory to you, Lord Christ*

## **The Gospel: 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

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 Sermon

## Nicene Creed

BCP 358

## The Prayers of the People

Form VI

BCP 392

## Exchange of the Peace

## *Anthem*

*Organist and Choir*

## *Doxology*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

## The Great Thanksgiving

### *Sanctus S125*

EP B

BCP 367

## The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

### *The Fraction S154*

## Communion of the People

### Hymn #328

*Draw nigh and take (v 1-3)*

## Blessing

***Hymn # 599***

*Lift every voice and sing*

## The Dismissal

From *The Book of Common Prayer* 1979

Hymns from *The Hymnal* 1982

Psalm from *The Saint Helena Psalter* 2004

For those unable to receive the physical Communion at this time please pray the following:

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as I proclaim your resurrection. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus. And let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

### **Prayers for a New Priest**

Almighty God, the giver of all good gifts, we humbly ask you to supply your grace to all priests who are called to the ministry of your peoples. Fill them with the Holy Spirit, the truth of your doctrine, and clothe them with piety so that they may faithfully serve where they are called. Open their hearts to the possibility and consideration of a new path whereby they may serve you. We beseech you to guide to us, the pastor you would have shepherd your people at St. Francis in the Fields and St. Mark's. Open the hearts of these parish families to acceptance of your choice for us, so that together, we may increase our faith, devotion, and obedience, and be prepared to readily do the good works you have planned for us to do. We ask these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

### **Discernment Prayer (NEW):**

Gracious and loving God, you teach us that things happen in your time. As we continue to wait for clergy candidates, encourage us, the people of St. Francis in the Fields and St. Mark's Episcopal Churches, to grow steadfastly in our ministries to love and serve

our neighbors by sharing the Good News in Jesus Christ. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we open our hearts and minds to new opportunities and ideas, following where you lead — knowing that Jesus Christ walks with us each step of the way. As this discernment period evolves, empower the members of our Vestries and Discernment Committees to share their thoughts openly and honestly; to respect the opinions of others; and to encourage humility, patience, and joy. Finally, instill in us a glorious vision of the future: one where we are united in love and ministry in fulfilling the mission of our baptismal vows; through our savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

### **Remember Today In Your Prayers:**

Cynthia Frank, Jerry & Jane Strittmater, Carol Adams, Susan Kelly & Mike Teore, Catherine McCloskey, Maryann Marchl, Rick McKinley, David Wertz & Rebecca Church, Keith Hipp, and Ardean Kreasko.

### **Continue to Remember In Your Personal Prayers:**

Donovan Pendell, Louise Mead. Cynthia Greig, Bill & Doris Horner, Dottie Venet, Bonnie Murray, Vince & Irene Joyce, Richard Burkert, Regina Hoover, Shawn & Tyler McKinley, Marlene Rhin, Lou Hoffer.

### **Ash Wednesday Service**

Please join us Wednesday February 18<sup>th</sup> for our Ash Wednesday Service at 7:30 pm.

### **Chicken & Biscuit Dinner**

Don't forget, this Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup> is our Chicken & Biscuit Dinner. Please check your Grapevine for items needed for the Dinner as well as a Sign p Sheet for Cakes and help with the Dinner.

### **Nancy's Retirement Party**

If you have not received your invitation to Nancy's Retirement party, please contact the office.

## ***Readers and Greeters February-March 2026***

If you are unable to read on the day you are scheduled, please find a substitute or let Mother Nancy know so a sub can be found in a timely manner. Thank you.

### **Sunday Readers**

Feb. 15 <sup>th</sup>	Joann Lacko & Lisa Bell-Loncella
Feb. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Donna Carosi & Colleen Curry
March 1 <sup>**</sup>	Richard Burkert & Tina Grata
March 8 <sup>th</sup>	Donovan Pendell & Pam Hysong
March 15 <sup>th</sup>	Doug Zawiskie & Colleen Curry
March 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Lisa Bell-Loncella & Donna Carosi
March 29 <sup>th</sup>	Richard Burkert & Joann Lacko

### **Sunday Greeters & Ushers**

Feb. 15 <sup>th</sup>	Jane & Gerry Strittmatter
Feb. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Tina Grata & Joann Lacko
March 1 <sup>st**</sup>	Malissa Babalonis & Aiden
March 8 <sup>th</sup>	Sam & Heidi Buchan
March 15 <sup>th</sup>	Jane & Jerry Strittmatter
March 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Amy & Penn Whitlow
March 29 <sup>th</sup>	Tina Grata & Colleen Curry

### **Sunday: The Last Sunday After the Epiphany**

Sunday	Feb. 15 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 am Holy Eucharist II
Wed.	Feb. 18 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 pm Ash Wednesday Service
Friday	Feb. 20 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am Prep Work Chicken & Biscuit Dinner
Saturday	Feb. 21 <sup>st</sup>	11:00 am to 1:30 pm “Chicken & Biscuit” Take Out Dinner

### **Next Sunday: The First Sunday in Lent**

Sunday	Feb. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	10:00 am Morning Prayer I
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## **DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER**

St. David's Episcopal Church, Peters Township  
and the  
Rev. Kristian Opat

## **Altar Flowers Given to The Greater Glory of God**

In loving Memory of  
Lillian Murray  
and the  
Harve- Geddes Estep Families  
Perpetual Flowers

As A Loving Birthday Remembrance  
For Stacy Moskal  
2/16/1984 – 2/3/2026  
From Her St. Mark's Family

## **Next Week's Readings**

### **First Sunday in Lent**

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

Psalm 32

Romans 5:12-19

Matthew 4:1-11

***Sharing Christ's love unconditionally through  
transformational worship and service***