



Last Sunday after Epiphany

February 11, 2024

WELCOME

to St. Mary's Episcopal Church

a member of the Central Michigan Episcopal Covenant

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Big Rapids, MI

Seeking every day to love God
with our whole heart, mind, and soul, and
to love our neighbors as ourselves.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Cadillac, MI

We strive to live out the Great
Commandment: To love the Lord with all
our heart, soul, and mind and to love our
neighbors as ourselves.

If you have a faith or are seeking one, you are always welcome here.

If you are visiting or looking for a spiritual home,
we'd love to get to know you.

MORNING PRAYER, RITE II

Opening Sentence

Officiant I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth. *Isaiah 49:6b*

Confession of Sin

Officiant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All **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.**

Officiant Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Invitatory and Psalter *All stand as able.*

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

Antiphon

All The Lord has shown forth his glory: Come let us adore him.

The Jubilate

All Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands;
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.
Know this: The Lord himself is God;
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.
For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting;
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

The Psalm: 50:1-6

Bulletin Insert

After the Psalm:

All Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Lessons

Bulletin Insert

First Reading

2 Kings 2:1-12

After the reading: Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
 People Thanks be to God.

First Canticle

Canticle 13, A Song of Praise

All Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers;
 you are worthy of praise; glory to you.
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;
 we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
Glory to you in the splendor of your temple;
 on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.
Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim;
 we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
Glory to you, beholding the depths;
 in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;
 we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

After the reading: Reader The Word of the Lord.
 People Thanks be to God.

All Lord, you now have set your servant free
to go in peace as you have promised;
For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior,
whom you have prepared for all the world to see:
A Light to enlighten the nations,
and the glory of your people Israel.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Third Reading

Mark 9:2-9

After the reading: Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Reflection *The reflection may be a time of silence, a homily, or reading of a text.*

The Apostles' Creed

Said by all, standing as able.

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was
conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered
under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he
descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended
into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will
come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion
of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the
life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers

The people stand or kneel as able.

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

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.

Suffrages B

Officiant Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

People **Govern and uphold them, now and always.**

Officiant Day by day we bless you;

People **We praise your name for ever.**

Officiant Lord, keep us from all sin today;

People **Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.**

Officiant Lord, show us your love and mercy;

People **For we put our trust in you.**

Officiant In you, Lord, is our hope;

People **And we shall never hope in vain.**

The Collect of the Day

The officiant prays the collect of the day, found in the bulletin insert.

Intercessor God will come and will not keep silence. So let us pray"Open our eyes;
open our ears."

Rabbi, it is good fo us to be here in your presence. Open our eyes to your glory. Open our ears to your call. Open our lips and our mouths shall proclaim your praise. We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Skip, our Assisting Bishop, Radha, our Rector; our Central Michigan Episcopal Covenant; St. Christopher, Grand Blanc - Jerry, Rector, St. Philip's, Beulah – Mike, Senior Warden, Worship Leaders in the Dioceses.. We pray for all those in our diocese discerning calls to ministry, both lay and ordained. In particular, we pray for those in our dioceses preparing for the Sacred Order of Priests, including Barrett, Alex, Matt, Anne Marie, Abraham, John, Stephanie, Thon, Jessica, Julianne, Rachel, Cathy, Kathryn, Kris, Johnathan, Theresa. We pray also for those in our dioceses preparing for the Sacred Order of Deacons, including: Mary, Deb, Laura, Jennifer, Christi, Paige. We remember with gratitude the retired clergy of the diocese. *Silence*

Open our eyes;

People Open our ears.

Intercessor To those who do not know your love and mercy, reveal yourself, great God. Shine your light through us that our lives might witness to your Son Jesus. *Silence*

Open our eyes;

People Open our ears.

Intercessor Holy One, you have chosen to wear the clouds and meet our forebears on the mountains. In doing so, you remind us that you created all things good and continue to manifest your glory through those things you have created. Remind us to also honor your creation. *Silence*

Open our eyes;

People **Open our ears.**

Intercessor O God, we thank you for those women and men in our lives who parent us, teach us, mentor us. Raise up strong leaders, O God, leaders who follow in the footsteps of Jesus. *Silence*

Open our eyes;

People **Open our ears.**

Intercessor We pray for those in positions of authority in our country and in the world, especially Joe, our president; Gretchen our governor; Carla, our mayor. *Silence*

Open our eyes;

People **Open our ears.**

Intercessor You are a powerful God—ruler of the heavens and the earth—and yet, you are close enough to hear our humble prayers. Attend to our loved ones, those we name now. We pray for those in the St. Mary’s circle of prayer: Josh & Lindsey, Nancy & Pat, Sally, Madi, Larry, Ron & Barb, Shanna, Charlene, DeeDee, Anita & Jim, Terri, Larry, Ron, Shelly, J.P., Zack, Fred, Lynne, Leon, Carolyn, Erin, Larry & Therese, Connie & Mike, Jenn, Luke; For those in the St. Andrew’s circle of prayer: Nan, Jessica, Krystal, Kevin, Kathy, Sharyn, Howie, Stacey & Sally, Judy, Greg, Bill, Lorraine & Bob; For our family and friends in the armed forces and who are first responders: Richard, Corey, Matt, Taylor,

Tony, Kim, Drew, Jon, Sabastian, Noah, Eli, Jess, Wesley, Owen; And
for all those we name at this time. *Silence*

Open our eyes;

People

Open our ears.

Intercessor God, you are our hope. Trusting in your goodness, we make our song
even at the grave: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! *Silence*

Open our eyes;

People

Open our ears.

Celebrant O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the
multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who
turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you
we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

The Celebration of Special Days and Announcements

For a Birthday

Pew Card

For an Anniversary

BCP 431, first prayer

Travelers

BCP 831, #53

The Dismissal and Concluding Sentence

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Officiant May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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