



Last Sunday after the Epiphany
Sung Mass + 10:30 am
St. Martin's Episcopal Church, Bridgewater, NJ

Please stand

Alleluia, Sing to Jesus! Vv 1, 3, 4

Blue Hymnal, 460

Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. *Blessed be God, now and forever, Amen*

Song of Praise

Kathy Shanklin

Soprano

Glo-ry to God in the high-est Glo-ry to

3

S God, in the high-est, Glo-ry to God, in the

6

S high-est And peace on earth to all.

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.

A Reading from Exodus *(Please be seated)*

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. *Thanks be to God*

Psalm 99



The Lord is King; let the people tremble; *

he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.

The Lord is great in Zion; * he is high above all peoples.

Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; * he is the Holy One.

"O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; *

you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob." **ANTIPHON**

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and fall down before his footstool; *

He is the Holy One. Moses and Aaron among his priests,

and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, *

they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.

He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; *

they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.

O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; *

you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.

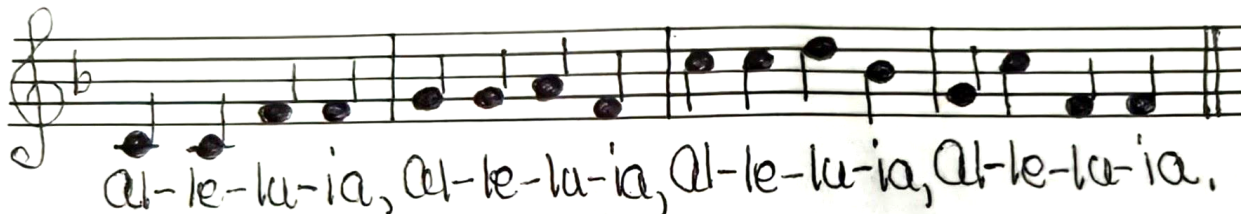
Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and worship him upon his holy hill; *

for the Lord our God is the Holy One. **ANTIPHON**

A Reading from Peter's First Epistle

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. *Thanks be to God.*

Gospel Acclamation



V: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased: Listen to him.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

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 Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. 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 Gospel of the Lord.

The Homily

The Nicene Creed

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

Please stand or kneel

BCP, 389

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy"

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord have mercy.*

For Sally our Bishop, for all bishops, priests and deacons, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord have mercy.*

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord have mercy.*

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord have mercy.*

For those in positions of public trust, especially the President of the United States, Congress, and State Governors, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord have mercy.*

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord. We pray for those on our parish prayer list: Michael, Brent M, Anna Rose, Joe, Pat, Brian, Pete, Laura, Amy, Joan, Domenic, Camille, John Carlisle, Julia, Melissa, Phyllis, Don, Rich, Bryan, Kenneth Anthony, Graham, Brian, David, Anna, Linda, Sonny, Bob, Jeff, Olga, and Bernd. *Lord have mercy.*

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord have mercy.*

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, St. Martin of Tours all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God. *To you, O Lord our God.*

Priest: For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Please kneel*

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.*

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

The Peace and Announcements

Offertory

Offertory Hymn *I Love to Tell the Story*

LEVAS II, 6

1. I love to tell the sto - ry Of un - seen things a - bove,
2. I love to tell the sto - ry, For those who know it best.

1. Of Je - sus and His glo - ry, Of Je - sus and His love.
2. Seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing To hear it, like the rest.

1. I love to tell the sto - ry, Be - cause I know it's true;
2. And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,

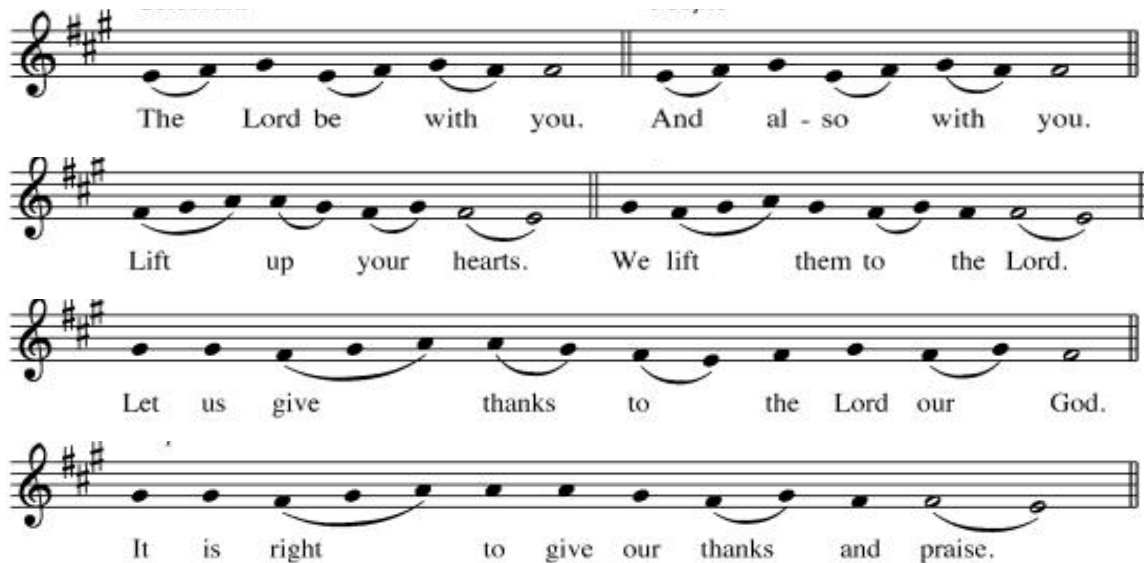
1. It sat - is - fies my long - ings As noth - ing else would do.
2. 'Twill be the old, old sto - ry That I have loved so long.

I love to tell the sto - ry; 'Twill be my theme in glo - ry.

To tell the old, old sto - ry Of Je - sus and His love.

The Liturgy of the Altar

Priest: As the grain once scattered in the fields and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside are now united on this table in bread and wine, so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together from the corners of the earth into your reign of justice and peace. *Amen.*



It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your son Jesus Christ our Lord Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus (Use *Blessed is the one below*)

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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.
Blessed is the one
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in _____ the high-est. _____

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with the Ever-Blessed Virgin Mary, St Martin of Tours, all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer
The Fraction

BCP, 364

Lamb of God



Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are they who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.

The Holy Communion Communion Hymns

Christ Upon the Mountain Peak
O Wondrous Type

Blue Hymnal, 129
Blue Hymnal, 137

Post Communion Prayer (*Please kneel or stand*)

BCP, 365

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen

Farewell to the Alleluia, and Burial of the Alleluia

Priest: Alleluia, enclose and seal up this word, alleluia;
let it remain in the secret of your heart, alleluia,
until the appointed time: you shall say it with great joy when that day comes,
All: **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Priest: ‘Alleluia’ is a heavenly song. The Apostle John wrote that he heard great voices in heaven, like the music of trumpets, and they sang ‘Alleluia’.

Now we leave the heavenly songs of praise as we enter our season of repentance, and we pray with true humility to our Merciful Savior, that we may see his heavenly Eastertide, where we will sing ‘Alleluia’ to the most holy and triune God, eternally without ceasing. Amen.

Let us pray: Loving God, as Lent nears we bury the Alleluia, our song of joy. In the forty days of Lent to come, we will sing quieter songs and think about what we can do to follow you more closely. Bless our Lenten days and, when they are done, bring us here again to sing our song of Easter joy. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Processional Crucifix is veiled.

Blessing and Dismissal

During the singing of the first verse, children bring up decorated Alleluias to bury in the altar until we shout Alleluia again on Easter Day.

Closing Hymn *Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones, vv 1,4* **Blue Hymnal, 618**

Serving Today

Thurifer: Michael Maloney Crucifer: Fausto Beleno
Lector: Jason Swain Eucharistic Minister: Jennifer Persson
Ushers: Larry Ottenstroer

Choir: Beth Hixenbaugh, Alison Jandak, Jane Maloney, Rob Vernon
Organist: Kathy Shanklin Celebrant: Father Rob Laws+

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, February 18- Ash Wednesday Services

Noon- Low Mass with imposition of ashes

7 pm- Sung Mass with imposition of ashes

Lenten Book Study:

We will meet on 4 Mondays in Lent at Juanita Hawkins' home:

Feb. 23, March 2, 9, and 16. We will gather at 6:30 pm to pray the Rosary.

The Book study will begin at 7 pm.

Please read PART ONE (Chapters 1-4) for the first session discussion