



*The Last Sunday after the Epiphany*  
*March 2, 2025*

**Prelude** *Benedictus*, John Marsh

**Opening Hymn**

*When morning gilds the skies*

**Hymn 427**

**The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two**

**The Word of God**

Celebrant: Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever.**

**Amen.**

**Collect for Purity**

*Let us pray together the Collect for Purity*

**Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Celebrant and People:**

**Hymn S277**

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,**

**Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;**

**you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,**

**Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## **Collect of The Day**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

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 Lessons**

### **Exodus 34:29-35**

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

Lector: The word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God.**

- 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.
- 3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and  
awesome; \*  
he is the Holy One.
- 4 "O mighty King, lover of justice,  
you have established equity; \*  
you have executed justice and righteousness in  
Jacob."
- 5 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God  
and fall down before his footstool; \*  
he is the Holy One.
- 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.
- 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.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.  
Amen.**

## **The Epistle**

### **2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2**

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### **Sequence Hymn:**

*Be thou my vision*

**Hymn 488**

*(Children leave for Sunday school)*

### **The Holy Gospel**

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord, Jesus Christ according to **Luke 9:28-43a**

**People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying,

the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"--not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. And all were astounded at the greatness of God.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Homily**

**Rev. Vikki Clayton**

*Stand as you are able*

**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.**

*Stand or kneel as you are able.*

**The Prayers of the People (Form II)**

**BCP 385**

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishops; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

*Silence*

**We pray for those on the Anglican and Diocesan  
Cycles of Prayer and our Parish Family and Friends**

We pray for: the ministry of the Archbishop of Canterbury and discernment of the next Archbishop, we pray for Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Mariann our Bishop, Vikki, our Rector; and for Lauren our music and choir director, for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

**The Anglican Cycle of Prayer**

The Anglican Church of Burundi

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**

Grace Church, Georgetown

Grace Church, Silver Spring Parish



**For the people of St. Bartholomew's we pray for:**

Kim Bamburak, Judy O'Neil, Meredith Smith, Delbert Wemple, Lydia Brittle, Scott Peterson, Stevie Grimes, Nancy Harding, Janet McMurtray

Carolann Guerette (V. Cross)  
Frank and Jerry Cross (V. Cross)  
Susan Oliver (J. Shea)  
Daniel Oliver (J. Shea)  
Thomas Cooper and Mrs. Boyd (D. Burton)  
Roseann Royle (N. Row)  
Darcy Alt (S. Henderson)  
Pam Jagusch (S. Grimes)  
Jeff Weinberger (S. Henderson)  
Seth Washington (S. Grimes)  
Amy Morris (D. Howard)  
Amanda Graham (A. Fitts)  
Michele Shirron (V. Clayton & N. Row)  
Christine Pearson (V. Cross & J. Rutherford)  
Chris Fountas (J. Rutherford)  
Edmund Ground (M. Smith)  
Allie Ground (M. Smith)  
Garry Ground (M. Smith)  
Maurice La Marque (N. Row)  
Michelle La Marque (N. Row)  
Andy Burns (J. Peterson)  
Steve MacKison (J. McMurtray)  
Felicia Taylor Popowski (B. Taylor)  
Angela McKenzie (S. Henderson)  
Mercy Frederick Ozuruonye (C. Frederick)  
Anna Kuhlmann (N. Row)  
Deanna Wheeler (Deborah Howard)  
Nicole Pappano (J. Kaufmann)  
Matt Moffett (V. Cross)

**March Birthdays**

Richard Rutherford	March 7
Barbara Schantz	March 18
Charles Burns	March 19

Sharon Henderson     March 22  
Karen Frederick        March 24  
Ann Fitts                March 27

**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 forever. **Amen.**

**The Confession of Sin**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Celebrant 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.**

**Celebrant:**

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**

**Celebrant:** The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

## **The Offertory**

**Celebrant** Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us an offering and sacrifice to God.

## **Choral Offertory**

*Shines the Light*, Lee Dengler and Susan Naus Dengler

## **Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.**

**Praise Him, all creatures here below.**

**Praise Him above the Heavenly host.**

**Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

**Amen.**

## **Eucharistic Prayer A**

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

**Celebrant** The Lord be with you.

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

**Celebrant** Lift up your hearts.

**People** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**Celebrant** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People** **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

**Celebrant:** 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:

**Celebrant and People**

**Hymn S125**

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

*Stand or kneel as you are able.*

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Celebrant and People**

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

**Celebrant:**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

**Celebrant:** And now as our Savior taught us we are bold to say:

*Celebrant and People*

**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, forever and ever. Amen.**

**The Fraction** The Celebrant breaks the bread.

*(A moment of silence)*

*The Hymnal 1982, Service Music, #154*

*This setting is not used in Lent.*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
there - fore let us keep the feast.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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**Celebrant:**

The Gifts of God for the People of God.  
Take them in remembrance that Christ died for  
you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith,  
with thanksgiving.

**Communion Hymn**

*Jerusalem, my happy home*

**Hymn 620**

**Post Communion Prayer**

**Celebrant:** Let us pray.

*Celebrant 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**

**Closing Hymn**

*Ye watchers and ye holy ones*

**vs 1-2 Hymn 618**

**Lay Eucharistic Minister:** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

**People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

**Postlude**

*Echo Alleluia, Henry Purcell, arr. Lani Smith*

## **Serving Today**

**Lay Reader** Deborah Howard

**Lay Eucharist Minister** Rob Palmer

**Choir Director, Music Director, and Organist**

Lauren Fisher

**Usher** John Strong

**Broadcast Technicians** Victoria Cross

**Altar Guild** Lauren Murtiff, Sharon Henderson

**Flower Guild** Sharon Henderson

**Celebrant & Preacher** The Rev. Vikki Clayton

## **St. Bartholomew's Choir**

Jeff Bergsten, Bill Fitts, Charley Hendricks, Judy O'Neil, Maggie Ramey, Jennifer Rutherford, Judith Schneider

## **St. Bartholomew's Vestry**

Senior Warden Lois Leigh

Junior Warden Jeff Bergsten

Vestry:

Lauren Fisher, William Fitts, Charles Frederick, John Kaufmann, David Landrith, Judith Schneider, Donna Starkweather

## **Coffee Hour**

Coffee hour today is Shrove Sunday Pancakes and fixings provided by the Vestry. Next week is Birthday Cake Sunday and potluck, bring something to share if you would like to do so.

## **Bible Study**

Bible study is held on Thursdays at 10:30 am via Zoom. We are studying St. Paul's Letters to the Romans using the book *Paul for Everyone: Romans, Part One: Chapters 1-8*. Newcomers are always welcome and you don't need the book to participate!

Contact Richard Rutherford ([richard.rutherford90@gmail.com](mailto:richard.rutherford90@gmail.com)) for more information, or Victoria ([parishadmin@saintbartholomews.org](mailto:parishadmin@saintbartholomews.org)) for the Zoom link.

## **Food Giving Basket**

There is a food giving basket for Olney Help in the entry way of the church with a "wish list" of items. Please bring the items in a bag. Thank you for your generosity.



## **On-Line Giving**

There is now the option to contribute to the ministries of St. Bartholomew's by using this QR code:



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