

The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

February 23, 2020

9:00 AM



The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Celebrant - The Very Reverend David A. duPlantier, *Dean*

Preacher - The Reverend Canon Steven M. Roberts

It is the tradition of the Episcopal Church to maintain silence in the worship area so that people may pray. Please help us preserve an atmosphere of quiet reverence before worship begins, remembering to turn pagers and cell phones off; let the music of the opening voluntary quiet your thoughts as you prepare for worship.

The Word of God

OPENING VOLUNTARY - The Transfiguration Dom Paul Benoit

When the bell sounds, please stand and sing.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #137 - O wondrous type! O vision fair..... Wareham

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.

GLORY TO GOD *Gloria in excelsis*

Glo - ry to God in the high - est,

and peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heav - en - ly King,

al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you

thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

a little slower

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have

mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther:

re - ceive our prayer. For you a -

lone are the Ho-ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a -
lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

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 FIRST LESSON - 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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The choir sings

PSALM 99 *Dominus regnavit*

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| <p>1 The Lord is King;
let the people tremble; *
he is enthroned upon the cherubim;
let the earth shake.</p> <p>2 The Lord is great in Zion; *
he is high above all peoples.</p> <p>3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; *
he is the Holy One.</p> <p>4 "O mighty King, lover of justice,
you have established equity; *
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."</p> <p>5 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God
and fall down before his footstool; *
he is the Holy One.</p> | <p>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.</p> <p>7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; *
they kept his testimonies
and the decree that he gave them.</p> <p>8 O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; *
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds.</p> <p>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.</p> |
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Setting: Thomas Norris

THE SECOND LESSON ~ 2 Peter 1:16-21

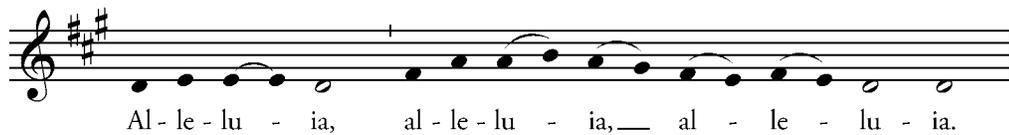
We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, 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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand and sing

ALLELUIA & VERSE



V. This is my Son, my Beloved,
with whom I am well pleased. [*Alleluia*]

THE HOLY GOSPEL ~ Matthew 17:1-9

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

Prayer Book, Page 358

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, Form III

Prayer Book, Page 387

THE CONFESSIONS OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

Prayer Book, Page 360

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

(Standing or Kneeling)

THE EUCHARISTIC CANON

Prayer Book, Page 368

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION *(said by all)*

Prayer Book, Page 368

We remember his death.
We proclaim his resurrection.
We await his coming in glory.

THE GREAT AMEN

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Prayer Book, Page 364

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Antiphon
Cantor, then all

The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break - ing

— of the bread. 1. The bread which we break, Al - le - lu -
2. One bo - dy are we, Al - le - lu -

All repeat Antiphon
ia, is the com - mun - ion of the Bod - y of Christ.
ia, for though ma - ny we share one bread.

THE INVITATION TO AND DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

All persons are welcome at the Lord's table; to receive Holy Communion or a Blessing. Baptized Christians of all ages and denomination may receive the elements. To receive a blessing rather than the elements, cross your arms over your chest as you kneel at the altar rail. To receive communion please hold out your crossed hands, open palms up, for the bread, and then help guide the chalice to your lips to receive the wine; cross your arms over your chest if you do not wish to receive the wine. Please blot lipstick before drinking from the chalice. You may also allow the chalice minister to dip the bread into the wine and place it on your tongue and it is permissible to receive only the bread if you like.

To receive an individual prayer of healing with anointing (Unction), go to the chapel after you receive Communion. Kneel as you are able at the altar rail in the chapel leaving some space between you and the next person for privacy. Return to the cathedral after the priest has prayed with you.

ANTHEM

O Nata lux de lumine,	<i>O Light born of Light,</i>
Jesu redemptor saeculi,	<i>Jesus, redeemer of the world,</i>
Dignare clemens supplicum	<i>with loving-kindness deign to receive</i>
Laudes preces que sumere.	<i>suppliant praise and prayer.</i>
Qui carne quondam contegi	<i>Thou who once deigned to be clothed in flesh</i>
Dignatus es pro perditis.	<i>for the sake of the lost,</i>
Nos membra confer effici,	<i>grant us to be members</i>
Tui beati corporis.	<i>of thy blessed body.</i>

Music: Thomas Tallis (c. 1505-1585)
Words: Opening Hymn for Lauds on the Feast of the Transfiguration

Please join in singing

HYMN #133 - O Light of Light, Love given birth *Elmhurst*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Prayer Book, Page 365/366

THE BLESSING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN #618 ~ Ye watchers and ye holy ones.....*Lasst uns erfreuen*

THE DISMISSAL

People Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY ~ Grand March *from Aida*..... Giuseppe Verdi

The Mardi gras beads are given by Troy Buttone.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Save the dates

- Wednesday, February 26 - Ash Wednesday ~ Services at the Cathedral at 7:30 AM, 12:15 PM and 6:00 PM
- Tuesday, March 3 - Lenten Book and Soup Group Begins 7:00 - 8:00 PM - Dean's Parlor (5 weeks)
- Wednesday, March 11 - Canon Lowry's Lenten Series Begins
- Sunday, March 15 - Annual Parish Meeting and Vestry Election
- Sunday, March 22 - Choral Evensong at 4:00 PM
- Sunday, April 12 - Easter Day

Wednesdays in Lent at 1:30 PM

Study with the Theologian in Residence - On April 1, 2020 the 50th anniversary of Earth Day will be commemorated around much of the world. In the fifty years since Earth Day was created most scientists have concurred that the 'health' of our planet has deteriorated because the average surface of the earth has risen substantially. However, the reasons for the precipitous rise in the surface temperature continue to be debated. Those who believe that the climate crisis is 'man-made' call upon forces of society—including religious communities—to come to the fore on the need to curb the green-house gasses to limit warming. Others (including a minority of scientists) disagree, without making alternative proposals to help protect earth's environment. Christian denominations—as well as our Jewish sisters and brothers—have weighed in on the issue and Pope Francis' first encyclical dealt directly about climate change. However, in reality the Old and New Testaments dealt only indirectly with the protection and preservation of the earth; the Old Testament was focused on the establishment and protection of the Israelites and the New Testament was focused on making the case that Jesus is the Messiah, God's chosen Son, belief in him was necessary for salvation and that the end of the world was not too-far-away; in neither the Old testament nor the New Testament case was the protection of the earth's environment tantamount. Nonetheless, people of faith are now looking for Judaism and Christianity to make statements about the environment. Following the Lenten program for clergy of the Diocese this Lent, Christ Church will offer a program on "Living Faithfully in the World that God has Given Us." It will focus on Franciscan spirituality and emerging "Christian environmental care." The main book to be used in the class is Ilia Delio, *Care for Creation: A Franciscan Spirituality of the Earth*. This book is readily available from on-line booksellers and can be obtained through local bookstores as well. Pope Francis first encyclical, *Laudato Si*, will also be used in the class. It is available on-line. In addition, the class will address environmental issues and environmental solutions that the people of Christ Church Cathedral can do to mitigate environmental concerns in our own community. *The weekday class will meet on Wednesdays (March 11, 18, 25 and April 1) at 1:30 PM and there will be a Saturday class (10:00 am to 2:00 pm with lunch) on April 25.*

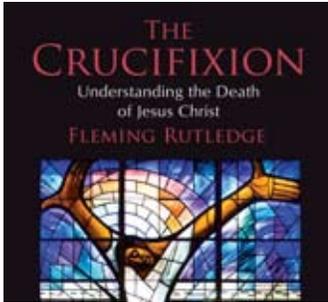
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The Crucifixion by Fleming Rutledge

A Lenten Book Study

6:00 PM in Advent House on Mondays in March (2,9,16,23,30)

Facilitator: Jesse George

For more information: jesse.s.george@gmail.com

Tuesdays in Lent at 7:00 PM

Come join us for Lenten Book Study and Meal.

Each Tuesday in Lent we will gather around a soup meal to reflect upon the book *The Last Week* by Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crossan as we journey through this Season in preparation for Holy Week and Easter.

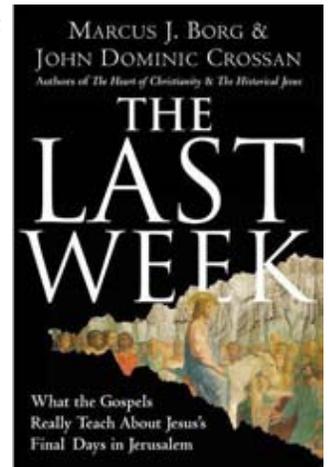
Dates: Tuesdays - March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Time: 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM

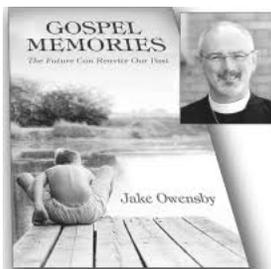
Place: Dean's Parlor (Parking available in the back lot)

About the Book

Two top Jesus experts Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crossan explore the last seven days of Jesus's life, from his triumphal entry into Jerusalem to his march to the cross. Their goal: To retell a story everyone thinks they know too well and most do not seem to know at all. Using the best of biblical and historical scholarship, these leading Jesus scholars shed new light on Jesus's final days in Jerusalem, revealing their true significance in history and for faith. Rather than collapse Holy Week into its last three days, as Christian liturgy does, they use as their basis the gospel of Mark: a chronicle of Jesus's last week day-by-day and eventually hour-by-hour."



Advent House Book Club - Mondays in Lent



Mondays 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

Reading "Gospel Memories: The Future Can Rewrite our Past" by The Rt. Rev. Jake Owensby (Episcopal Bishop of Western LA)

All are welcome!

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Sunday Morning 10 AM Eucharist
Live Broadcast on WGSO 990 AM Radio.
Online streaming and downloadable
podcast at www.wgso.com

THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 23, 2020

SUNDAY

Parades

8:00 AM The Holy Eucharist (1928 Prayer Book)
9:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Sung)

MONDAY

Parades

12:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting (Dean's Parlor)
12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

TUESDAY

Mardi Gras - Office Closed

WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday

7:30 AM Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes
11:30 AM Contemplative Prayer (Advent House)
12:15 PM Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes
1:00 PM Education for Ministry (Westfeldt Room)
6:00 PM Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

10:00 AM Cathedral Tours
12:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous (*Women Only*)
12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
5:30 PM Bodytime Bootcamp (Stuart Hall)

FRIDAY

12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

SATURDAY

9:30 AM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
9:30 AM Centering Prayer (AH)
10:00 AM Erascism (Westfeldt Room)

SUNDAY

8:00 AM The Holy Eucharist (1928 Prayer Book)
10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite I (Sung)
10:00 AM Children's Church (Dean's Parlor)
11:15 AM Coffee Hour (Stuart Hall)
11:15 AM Middle/High School Class (Dean's Parlor)
6:00 PM Real Presence

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