



*Christ in Majesty, Zachary Roesemann, 2008*

# St. Paul's Cathedral Burlington, Vermont

The Last Sunday after the Epiphany ✠ February 11, 2024  
The Holy Eucharist ✠ 11:00 a.m.

## Welcome to St. Paul's.

**Welcome to the Cathedral Church of St. Paul!** We are glad you are worshiping alongside us today. You are welcome here. All of who you are is welcome here.

If you are new to the Episcopal Church, you may wish to note a few things about our worship style. In general, we stand to sing and pray, and to hear the Gospel (the Good News) of Jesus Christ. We sit to hear other scripture and to listen to the preacher. You may notice that some people choose, at certain times, to kneel, or to make the sign of the cross on their body, or to bow. You may do any, all, or none of those things. Kneelers are located under the table in the back of the church, should you wish to use one.

**CHILDREN** are always welcome in the service, as is their wiggling and whispering, and their need to move and explore. There is a children's activity area in the back of the church for use as needed. Sunday School for children aged four through grade five is available between services, beginning around 10:00. There is no formal nursery, but please feel free to explore the space and how it might meet your needs.

You can find most everything you need in this bulletin. The **MUSIC** we sing is found within this bulletin or in the blue *Hymnal 1982* found either on your seat or in the rack under the seat in front of you. Hymn numbers that begin with the letter S are in the front section of the hymnal.

**IF YOU ARE NEW** to this community and wish to know more about it or to receive our weekly e-mail newsletters, please fill out a green card located on the table in the back of the church and either leave it on the table or hand it to the clergy or an usher. We would love to know you more fully!

Finally, a word about **COMMUNION** (Lord's Supper, Eucharist) – the bread and wine. The table fellowship we experience together is for everyone. Everyone. It is a grace freely given by the one who loves us so very much. And it's for you.

# The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

February 11, 2024

11:00 a.m. The Holy Eucharist

This service is streamed live on YouTube.

Opening voluntary: *The Peace (Fireworks Music)*

G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

## The Word of God

*All stand and sing*

**Processional hymn 130** *Christ upon the mountain*

*Celebrant*  
*People*

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

**And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*We sing the ancient hymn of praise Gloria in excelsis:*

*Organ*

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on  
earth. Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al - migh-ty God and Fa - ther, we  
wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.  
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 pray'r. 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 Spi-rit, in the  
glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.

*Setting* Herbert J. Austin (1901-1988)

*The Celebrant offers 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.

*People*

**Amen.**

*Together we say this prayer for the search for a Director of Music and Cathedral Arts*

**Loving Creator, we know you to be with those who yearn for and fine your presence in creative arts like music: Be with this Cathedral in our search for a Director of Music and Cathedral Arts and grant to those in the search process glimpses of your divine beauty, that they may discern and choose a candidate who will inspire our spirits and uplift our hearts in worship; we ask in the name of the Holy Name that has inspired unceasing hymns of praise. Amen.**

*We sit to hear a reading from the Hebrew Bible:*

A reading from the Second Book of Kings

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

*2 Kings 2:1-12*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

*Stillness follows.*

*As a meditation on the reading, the choir chants Psalm 50:1-6*

*The Lord, the God of gods has spoken; he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.*

*Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God reveals himself in glory.*

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*Our God will come and will not keep silence; before him there is a consuming flame, and round about him a raging storm.*

*He calls the heavens and the earth from above to witness the judgment of his people.*

*Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God reveals himself in glory.*

*"Gather before me my loyal followers, those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice.*

*Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; for God himself is judge.*

*Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God reveals himself in glory.*

*Words Psalm 50:1-6 • Chant Peter R. Hallock (1924-2014)*

*We hear a reading from early Christian scripture:*

A reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

*2 Corinthians 4:3-6*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

*Stillness follows.*

*All stand and sing*

**Sequence hymn 138 All praise to you, O Lord**

*We remain standing for a reading from the life of Jesus:*

*Gospeller  
People*

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. *Mark 9:2-9*

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon** *The Preacher breaks open the scripture.*

The Revd Canon Dr Robert K Leopold

*A short period of stillness follows the Sermon. Then we stand and say together the Nicene Creed, a statement of Christian faith dating from the fourth century:*

**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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.  
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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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.**

*We pray for the Church, this nation, the welfare of the world, the concerns and thanksgivings of our community, those who suffer, and those who have died. At the end of each petition, the intercessor says,*

God, you call us;

*People*

**Give us ears to listen.**

*At the end of the Prayers, the Celebrant offers a concluding collect.*

*Deacon*

*The Deacon invites us to confession of sin. After a short pause, we say together,*

Most merciful God,

*All*

**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. *The Celebrant offers God's pardon.*

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* **And also with you.** *We greet one another in the Name of Jesus Christ.*

## The Holy Communion

*During an anthem sung by the choir, ushers pass a plate to collect an offering for the work of the Church.*

*Ae verum corpus natum, natum de Maria Virgine;  
vere passum immolatum in cruce pro homine;  
Cuius latus perforatum aqua fluxit et sanguine  
esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine*

*Hail, true Body, born of Mary the Virgin;  
truly suffering, sacrificed on the cross for man;  
from Whose pierced side flowed water and blood.  
Be to us a foretaste at death's trial,  
O sweet Jesus, O loving Jesus, O Jesus Son of Mary.*

Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

*Gifts of bread, wine, and the fruits of our labors are brought forward. The Holy Table is prepared, and we sing*  
**Hymn 134 O light of Light**

### The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer 2 from *Enriching Our Worship*

*Celebrant* God 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 our thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic prayer leading to the singing of the Sanctus:*

*Celebrant* And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

*All*

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless'd is the one who comes in the Name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

Setting Herbert J. Austin (1901-1988)

*The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic prayer, ending with*

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.  
*People* **AMEN.**

*Celebrant* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

All

Our Fa-ther in hea-ven, hal-low'd be your Name, your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea-ven.  
 Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of trial,  
 and de-liv-er us from e - vil. For the king-dom, the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A-men.

Setting Ambrosian chant, harmonized by Mark Howe, 1990

Celebrant

*The Celebrant breaks the bread. After a period of stillness, we sing a Fraction anthem:*

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

All

There-fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

*The Celebrant invites us to share in the Eucharistic feast; The table fellowship we experience together is for everyone. The bread may be received directly into your hand, one palm crossed over the other. The wine may be taken by sipping from the cup or touching the bread to the cup or by using the bowl to dip the bread into the wine (this is called intinction). Gluten-free wafers are available; please indicate your need at the time you receive Communion. Those who prefer not to receive the sacrament may ask for a blessing, crossing arms, fingertips touching shoulders.*

*During the Eucharistic meal we sing an ostinato:*

The Lord is my light and my sal - va-tion, the Lord is my light and my sal -  
 va-tion, the Lord is my light and my sal - va - tion: whom shall I fear?

Music Lillian Bouknight (? - 1990)

*When all have received Communion, we keep stillness briefly, then stand and sing*  
**Hymn 122 Alleluia, song of gladness**

Celebrant

*Bread and wine may be given to a representative of the congregation, to take to those who are ill or shut in.*

N., in the name of this congregation I send you forth, bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go [especially N....] may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People

**We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

*We remain standing to join in this prayer:*

Eternal God,

**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 Celebrant pronounces a blessing, then dismisses us, all responding:*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Closing voluntary:** *Grand Chorus*

Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911)

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