

# The Church of the Epiphany in the City of Washington

11:00am

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

February 14, 2016

# HOLY EUCHARIST

We are spending Sundays in Lent looking more closely at the Liturgy of our Eucharist service. In the Episcopal Church we do not have written statements of belief to which we can refer when questions of doctrine arise. We hold a conviction that our doctrine and ethics, belief and practice find their meeting place and testing ground in common prayer articulated in the Book of Common Prayer. Our beliefs are reflected in our prayers. As such, understanding the shape of our liturgy is important, because it is an expression of what we believe.

Today we will consider how we 'hear the Word' encountering Christ in the written prayers and in the Scriptures.

Prelude

Psalm Prelude Set 2 no. 1 De Profundis (Out of the deep)

music: Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

# The Word of God

Please stand as you are able and sing the appointed responses in the Great Litany.

While we sing the Gathering Hymn, or The Great Litany, the choir and altar party process to the Altar. The procession represents the people of God moving towards God's kingdom through time and history as we follow the cross of Christ. It reminds us of the Church's status as a pilgrim people, we have no 'lasting city,' journeying between Pentecost and the last day, 'looking for the city that is to come' (Hebrews 13:14).

# The Great Litany

music: John Merbecke (1510-1583)

Holy God, creator of heaven and earth, Have mer-cy on us.

Holy and Mighty, Redeemer of the world, Have mercy on us. Holy Immortal One, Sanctifier of the faithful, Have mercy on us. Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity, One God, Have mercy on us.

П

From all evil and mischief; from pride, vanity, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice; and from all evil intent,



From sloth, worldliness, and love of money; from hardness of heart and contempt for your word and your laws, *R*.

From sins of body and mind; from deceits of the world, flesh, and the devil, **R**. From famine and disaster; from violence, murder, and dying unprepared, **R**. In all times of sorrow; in all times of joy; in the hour of our death and at the day of judgment, **R**.

By the mystery of your holy incarnation; by your birth, childhood, and obedience; by your baptism, fasting, and temptation, R.

By your ministry in word and work; by your mighty acts of power; by the preaching of your reign, R.

By your agony and trial; by your cross and passion; by your precious death and burial, *R*.

By your mighty resurrection; by your glorious ascension; and by your sending of the Holy Spirit, R.

Hear our prayers, O Christ our God.



Govern and direct your holy Church; fill it with love and truth; and grant it that unity which is your will. *R.* 

Give us boldness to preach the gospel in all the world, and to make disciples of all the nations. R.

Enlighten your bishops, priests, and deacons, with knowledge and understanding,

that by their teaching and their lives they may proclaim your word. *R*.

Give your people grace to witness to your word and bring forth the fruit of your Spirit. *R*.

Bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived. **R.** 

Strengthen those who stand; comfort and help the fainthearted; raise up the fallen; and finally beat down Satan under our feet. *R*.

IV.

Guide the leaders of the nations into the ways of peace and justice. **R.** 

Give your wisdom and strength to Barack, the President of the United States; Muriel, our Mayor; and the leaders of all communities in the Washington Metropolitan area, that in all things they may do your will, for your glory and the common good. *R*.

Give to the Congress of the United States, the members of the President's Cabinet, and all others in authority the grace to walk always in the ways of truth.



Bless the Justices of the Supreme Court and all those who administer the law,

that they may act with integrity and do justice for all your people. *R*.

Give us the will to use the resources of the earth to your glory and for the good of all. *R*.

Bless and keep all your people. R.

V.

Comfort and liberate the lonely, the bereaved, and the oppressed. *R*.

Keep in safety those who travel and all who are in peril. **R.** 

Heal the sick in body, mind, or spirit, and provide for the homeless, the hungry, and the destitute. **R.** 

Guard and protect all children who are in danger. R.

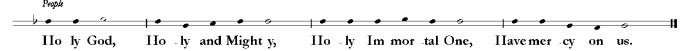
Shower your compassion on prisoners, hostages, and refugees, and all who are in trouble. *R.* 

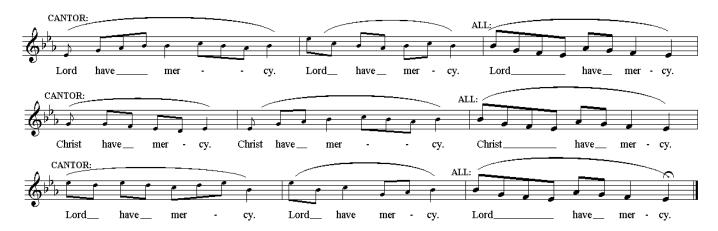
Forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and turn their hearts. *R*.

Hear us as we remember those who have died, and grant us with them a share in your eternal glory. R.

VI

Give us true repentance; forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance and our deliberate sins; and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your word.





# The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

#### And also with you.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

Please be seated for the readings from Scripture.

#### The Lessons

## The First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

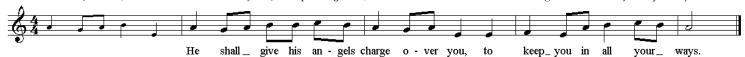
Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

Thanks be to God.

The Collect concludes the entrance rites. It has this name because it 'collects' our thoughts for a particular time or season. The Collect has three parts: Address, Petition and Conclusion. Listen out for echoes of the Gospel in the words of the Collect.

In the readings, we experience the discovery and rediscovery of God's word in the scriptures. The readings are set according to the pattern of the Revised Common Lectionary. The RCL is devised by an ecumenical body, which includes the Roman Catholic Church as well as other Protestant churches. It is very powerful to think about the people across the country and in the world that are reading the same readings as we are on any given Sunday.

The pattern of readings is carefully thought through and there is a link between the readings. See if you can identify resonances between the Scripture readings set for Sunday.



He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, abides under the shadow of the Almighty.

He shall say to the Lord,

"You are my refuge and my stronghold, my God in whom I put my trust."

Because you have made the Lord your refuge, and the Most High your habitation,

There shall no evil happen to you, neither shall any plague come near your dwelling. [Refrain]

For he shall give his angels charge over you, to keep you in all your ways.

They shall bear you in their hands, lest you dash your foot against a stone.

You shall tread upon the lion and adder; you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.

Because he is bound to me in love, therefore will I deliver him; I will protect him, because he knows my Name.

He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; I am with him in trouble; I will rescue him and bring him to honor.

With long life will I satisfy him, and show him my salvation. *[Refrain]* 

# The Second Reading: Romans 10:8b-13

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

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

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

Sequence Hymn: #150 in The Hymnal 1982

Forty days and forty nights

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The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel is usually given special

honor by being heard standing. We

remind us that the Word of God is

in our midst, amongst us and for us

read the Gospel in the nave to

to take out to the world.

# Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

After his baptism, Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone." Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him." Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone." Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test." When the devil had

finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### The Sermon: The Revd. Dr. Catriona Laing

Please 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.

#### The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

# The Holy Communion

Please be seated for the Offertory.

If you would like *Healing Prayers* for mind, body, spirit or relationship, please meet a Healing Minister in the west transept during Communion to receive the laying on of hands and anointing.

### Offertory Music (sung by the choir)

Like as the hart

music: Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

Like as the hart desireth the water-brooks: so longeth my soul after thee, O God. My soul is a thirst for God, yea, even for the living God: when shall I come to appear before the presence of God? My tears have been my meat day and night: while they daily say unto me, where is now thy God?

# The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

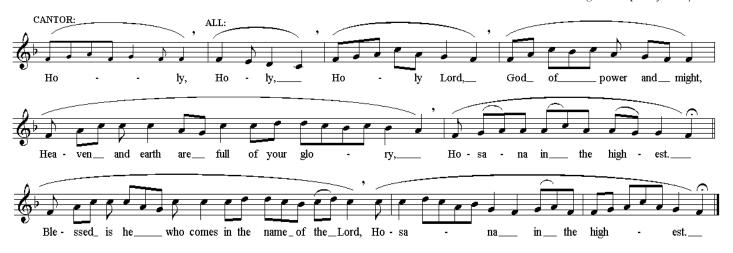
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The Presider offered our thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available to us in Christ, and in response we sing:



The Presider gives thanks to God for the reconciling work of Christ's passion and resurrection and prays over the bread and wine.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

## Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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.

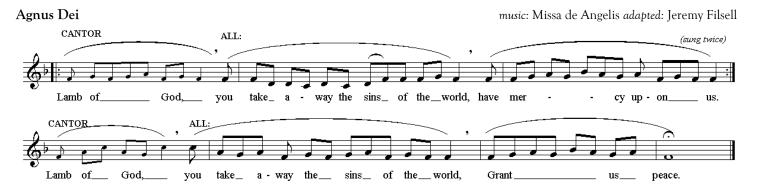
All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.** 

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

#### The Lord's Prayer

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.

## The Breaking of the Bread



The Gifts of God for all the People of God.

**All are invited to receive Communion.** Please come forward when directed by the ushers to receive Communion at the head of your aisle. If you do not wish to receive the bread or the wine, please cross your arms over your chest and the priest will give you a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available at the center aisle.

#### Laboravi in gemitu

music: Phillipe Rogier (1561-1628)

Laboravi in gemitu meo; lavabo per singulas noctes lectum meum: lacrimis meis stratum meum rigabo. I am weary of my groaning; every night wash I my bed: and water my couch with my tears.

Please stand as you are able.

Let us pray.

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

The Presider offers a blessing and the people respond, Amen.

Sending Hymn: #147 in The Hymnal 1982

Now let us all with one accord

Bourbon

#### The Dismissal

Our worship has ended. Our service in the world begins. Let us go forth in the name of Christ. **Thanks be to God.** 

There will be space after the dismissal to respond to God's call to go into the world.

Postlude

Chorale Prelude Kyrie, Gott Vater in Ewigkeit BWV 669

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Have mercy, Lord God in heaven above

#### LITURGICAL LEADERS

Presider	Elizabeth Gardner
Preacher	Catriona Laing
Director of Music	Jeremy Filsell
Seminarian	Ragan Sutterfield
Crucifer	Glenn Greene
ReadersD'Onie	ce Dillard, Miriam Sohlberg
Prayers	Jerry Suls
Eucharistic Ministers	. Mary Sebold, Pat Pickering
Healing Minister	David Downes
Altar Guild	D'Oniece Dillard
Greeter	Ruth Fletcher-Ferrill
Ushers	Mary Briscoe, Jay Derrickson
Faith Hope & Loaves	Jim McCarthy

The Epiphany Choir ............. Rachel Barham, Charles Berardesco, Christine Browne-Munz, Charles Burg, Stephanie Cabell, Kathrine Ebert, Thad Garrett, Joseph Kaz, Nathan Létourneau, Nicole Levesque, Judy Lokerson, Rebecca Kellerman Petretta, Christina Pantelias Raia, Irvin Peterson, James Rogers, Steven Slupe, Farley Lord Smith, Duncan Stevens, Jeffrey Thurston, Becca Tice

#### PRAYER LIST

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Mariann, our Bishop, and the leaders of this parish;

For the Church of the Province of Central Africa in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer; for Companions in World Mission and Episcopal Relief and Development in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer; and for Schola Epiphaniensis, and our 8:00 and 11:00 Choirs, in thanksgiving for their gift of song to our many services;

For Barack, our President; for our Congress and our Courts; for Muriel, our Mayor; and

For all who are seeking healing in mind, body, spirit or relationship. In particular we pray for those on our hearts and those known only to God.

# THE CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY WELCOMES YOU

#### WELCOME

You are welcome at Epiphany! All are invited to join us at the Holy Eucharist, Communion, the Lord's Supper, the Mass, or whatever your tradition calls the receiving of bread and wine. Please come forward when directed by the ushers to receive Communion at the head of the center aisle. Hold out your hands to receive the bread and when the minister offers the wine, you may dip your bread, or take the chalice and guide it carefully holding its base. If you wish to receive a blessing instead of the bread or the wine, please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available.

#### **COVENANT COMMUNITY**

The Church of the Epiphany is a covenant community. Our sacred space is open and available to all but it needs to remain sacred. During the worship service we invite you to participate so all might feel safe, affirmed and respected. Likewise, we ask that you refrain from any behavior which might diminish our spirit of hospitality. Thank you for keeping our beautiful sanctuary holy.

#### MEMBERS OF STAFF

The Revd. Elizabeth Bonforte Gardner, Interim Rector The Revd. Dr. Catriona Laing, Interim Associate Priest Dr. Jeremy Filsell, Director of Music Catherine Manhardt, Parish Administrator

#### MEMBERS OF THE VESTRY

Rasheen Carbin, Senior Warden, Bea Dermer, Junior Warden Lisa Kimball, Scott Marquardt, Class of 2016 Ann Gordon, Glenn Greene, Farley Lord Smith, Jennifer Walsh, Annie Wright, Class of 2017 Linda Grigsby, Michele Hutt, Uyi Oviasogie, Brian Stecker, Class of 2018

#### MEMBERS OF THE CALLING COMMITTEE

D'Oniece Dillard, Kathy Haines, Sandi Ingram, Caroline Klam, Judy Lokerson, Jim McCarthy, Peate Pegues, Irvin Peterson, Lee Tyner

## CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE

If you have a pastoral need or would like more information about The Church of the Epiphany, please contact the Parish Office by phone: 202-347-2635 or by email: info@epiphanydc.org.

#### NURSERY

The nursery is open at 10:00 am through the 11:00 service for children. Please speak to an usher for directions to the nursery, located on the second floor. Please know children of all ages are welcome in the church for worship, and our Children in Worship space located in the front left transept.

## **PARKING**

PMI Garage next door gives Epiphany worshipers free parking on Sundays until 8:00pm. You may validate your parking stub in Community Hall after church. Handicapped parking at the garage is on the street level.

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#### WORSHIP AT EPIPHANY

The **organ music** that concludes our worship is generally the last musical offering of the service. While it is an *offering* (and not a *performance* – the distinction is significant), please don't feel that you have to sit and listen to it all the way through. If you don't wish to sit and listen, please feel free to move. As it is an offering, may we suggest that applause is not appropriate particularly during the season of Lent and its more subdued nature is best left without acknowledgement?

Wednesdays in Lent—The 12:10pm Eucharist during Lententide will be sung by the Schola Epiphaniensis. Short Mass settings (Kyrie, Sanctus & Agnus Dei) by Renaissance composers, Lotti, Biancheri and Hassler and plainchant propers will enhance and beautify our lunchtime liturgy during this penitential season. The addition of music will add only a few minutes to the length of the liturgy, but will give a chance for contemplation in the context of beautiful words and music.

Sundays in Lent—Join us for Instructed Eucharist at 8:00am and 11:00am during the season of Lent. We will examine the worship service's distinct parts by looking deeply at one section each week: Hearing the Word, Responding to the Word, Coming to the Table; Responding to the Table, and our Service Music as Gateway and Response to God's Love.

#### MUSIC AT EPIPHANY

February 9—Tuesday Concert Series at 12:10pm: Vasily Popov, cello and Ralitza Patcheva, piano perform Rachmaninoff Prelude and Dance Orientale Op. 2 nos. 1 & 2, Stravinsky Mennuetto e Finale from Suite Italienne and Brahms Sonata Op. 38 in e minor. Admission is free but a donation of \$10 is suggested to support the artists and the concert series.

#### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Explore different ways to pray this Lent: From 6:00pm-7:00pm on Wednesdays in Lent we will be presented with different ways of approaching contemplative prayer: 'praying with silence'; 'praying with icons'; 'praying with music' and 'praying with Scripture'. Contact Farley Lord Smith at farleylord@gmail.com for more information.

**Weekday Worship:** Would you be interested in helping Epiphany design a contemporary weekday worship service for downtown workers? We are putting together a team to interview musicians and worship leaders. If you would like to join us, please contact Elizabeth at egardner@epiphanydc.org or by calling the parish office.

**Explore Confirmation:** Are you baptized, confirmed or have you ever re-affirmed your baptism vows? If your answer is no to any of these questions then come and join us for conversations about Christian formation and discipleship. The next Cathedral Confirmation service will be on May 14, so the coming months are the perfect time to consider taking your commitment one step further. We will be holding a series of discussions during Lent where together we will explore the teachings, history, and liturgy of the Church in more depth. We would love for you to join us. Please contact Elizabeth Gardner at egardner@epiphanydc.org , or Catriona Laing at claing@epiphanydc.org, for more information.

Godly Play: Today, Godly Play considers the Second Face of Easter. Mary, Joseph and Jesus spent Passover in Jerusalem. When Jesus was 12 years old, he stayed behind on his own. When his parents noticed he was gone, they searched and found him in the temple, questioning the rabbis and discussing scripture. This story is in Luke 2:41-52. Ann Gordon facilitates the lesson this week. Children ages 4-12 are welcome to join in the story in the Godly Play room on the second floor.

### **PARISH CALENDAR FEBRUARY 15-21**

Monday, February 15		Thursday, February 18		
Church and Parish Office Closed in observance of		12:00	AA and SLAA	
President's Day		1:15	Dhuhur Salat	
Tuesday, February 16		Friday, February 19		
12:00	Al-Anon	12:00	AA	
12:10	Tuesday Concert Series	12:10	Holy Eucharist	
1:00	Street Church in Franklin Park	1:15	Jum'a Salat	
1:15	Dhuhur Salat	Sunday, Febr	ruary 21: The Second Sunday of Lent	
Wednesday, February 17		7:00	Welcome Table Programming	
12:00	AA and Al-Anon	7:30	Welcome Table Choir	
12:10	Holy Eucharist with Schola Epiphaniensis	8:00	Welcome Table Eucharist	
1:15	Dhuhur Salat	8:45	Welcome Table Breakfast	
6:00	Adult Formation: Praying with Silence	11:00	Holy Eucharist	
		12:15	Fellowship	
		6:00	What Makes it Great? with Rob Kapilow	