# Saint Monica & Saint James CAPITOL HILL WASHINGTON DC



The Epiphany

The Sung Mass

January 7th, 2024 at 11.00 am

# A very warm welcome to Saint Monica and Saint James

Our Celebrant and Preacher today is The Rev. John McDuffie.

We sing from two Hymnals: The Hymnal 1982 and Lift Every Voice & Sing II. Our Mass is taken from the 1979 Book of Common Prayer, abbreviated H82, LEV, BCP.

Restrooms are found through the doors at the rear of the church on the far side of the Frances Perkins Parish Hall.

Please join us in Frances Perkins Hall for coffee after Mass.

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# ORGAN VOLUNTARY Kings of Orient

Rebecca Groom Te Velde

**THE GATHERING** If you are able, please stand when the bell chimes.

Choir The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Choir Almighty God, grant that we may enter your house with reverence and love, there to offer a service acceptable in your sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

#### **INTROIT HYMN H82 128**

We Three Kings of Orient Are

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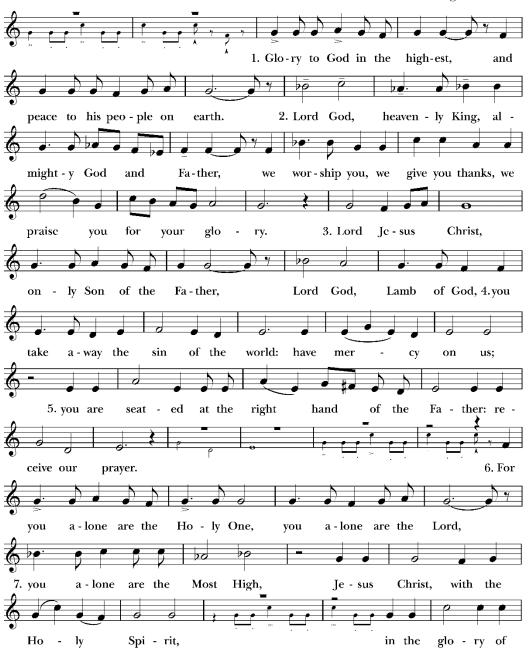
Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

The Celebrant introduces today's Mass ending with the following prayer

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.

All Amen.





#### THE COLLECT

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

Please sit for the lessons.

# THE FIRST LESSON - Isaiah 60:1-6

Read by Anne Tomkinson

Reader A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you.

Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.

Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah;

all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord. A11Thanks be to God.

### THE PSALM - Psalm 72:1-7,10-14

All repeat the Antiphon below after the Choir.



The Choir sings the verses below.

All repeat the Antiphon above as marked.

- 1 Give the King your justice, O God, \* and your righteousness to the King's Son;
- 2 That he may rule your people righteously \* and the poor with justice;
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, \* Antiphon and the little hills bring righteousness.
- He shall defend the needy among the people; \* 4 he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, \* Antiphon from one generation to another.
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, \* like showers that water the earth.
- 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; \* there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

Antiphon

- 10 The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute, \* and the kings of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.
- All kings shall bow down before him, \* 11

and all the nations do him service.

Antiphon

- For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress, \* and the oppressed who has no helper.
- He shall have pity on the lowly and poor; \* he shall preserve the lives of the needy.
- He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, \* and dear shall their blood be in his sight. \* \* \*Antiphon\*\*

Based on Hymn 616 Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein, German folksong; adapt. A Student's Hymnal, 1923, after H. W. Davies (1869-1941)

THE EPISTLE - Ephesians 3:1-12

Read by John Van De Weert

Reader A reading from the Epistle of Paul to the Ephesians

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles—for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

If you are able, please stand for the Gospel procession.

**THE ALLELUIA** All repeat the Alleluia after the Choir.



Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

Choir Arise, shine; for your light has come,

and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

All repeat the Alleluia.

#### THE HOLY GOSPEL - Matthew 2:1-12

Celebrant The Holy Gospel + of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

"And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel."

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And

having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, Lord Christ.

All repeat the Alleluia.

THE SERMON

The Rev. John McDuffie

#### THE NICENE CREED

If you are able, please stand.

All

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: (You are invited to bow your head)
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man. (We raise our heads again)

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 kneel or sit.

The Intercessor leads the prayers. All respond as below.

Intercessor We pray to you O Lord.

All Lord, Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding prayer.

#### THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us confess ours sins against God and our neighbor.

We pause for a moment.

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.

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.

All Amen.

THE PEACE If you are able, please stand. The Celebrant introduces the Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

We greet each other in the name of the Lord.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please be seated as the Celebrant makes a few announcements. Please stand to sing the Offertory Hymn. A collection will be taken.

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Representatives of the Congregation bring the people's offering of bread, wine, water, and the collection to the Celebrant. The Element Bearers stand at the Altar rail while the gifts are offered and placed on the altar. Please bow when the Congregation is censed by the Thurifer.

#### THE OFFERTORY HYMN H82 118

Brightest and Best

Celebrant Pray, dear friends in Christ, that this my sacrifice and yours

may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.

All May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands,

for the praise and glory of his name,

for our good and the good of all his Church.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

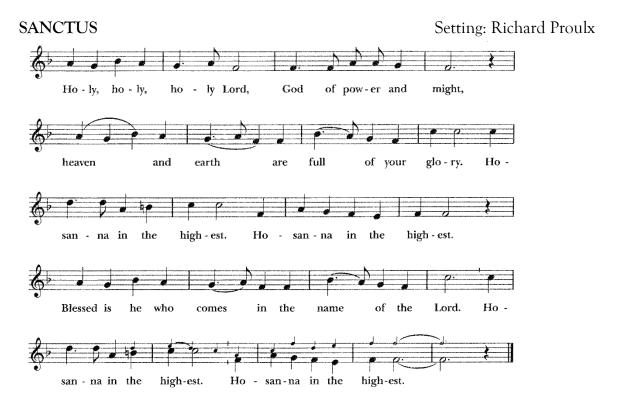
All We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues with Eucharistic Prayer B, BCP p. 372, ending

Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your name, as we sing,



Please kneel or sit as the Celebrant continues, reaching this point in the Eucharistic Prayer Celebrant We praise you and we bless you.

All We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer, ending

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

We keep a time of silence.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

All 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 BREAD

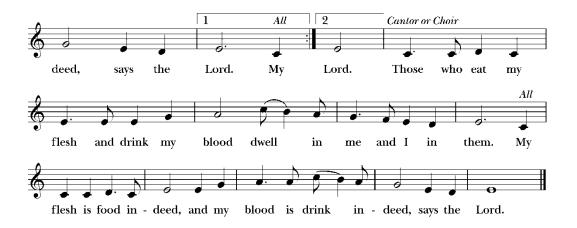
Celebrant Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

All Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia.

FRACTION ANTHEM My Flesh Is Food Indeed

Setting: Ray Urwin





#### THE GIVING OF COMMUNION

The Celebrant says this invitation

Celebrant Behold the Lamb of God

Behold him who takes away the sins of the world.

All Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof, But speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

Please make your way to the Altar rail as directed by an usher. Kneel or stand. Both the Host and Chalice will be offered. Should you wish to receive the Chalice, please remain kneeling or standing at the altar rail after receiving the Host.

The Host and the Chalice are given with these words

The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. Amen.

# **ANTHEM** O Magnum Mysterium

Tomás Luis de Victoria

O magnum mysterium et admirabile sacramentum, ut animalia viderent Dominum natum jacentem in praesepio. O beata Virgo, cujus viscera meruerunt portare Dominum Jesum Christum. Alleluja.

O great mystery and wondrous sacrament, that animals should see the Lord newborn, lying in their manger. O blessed Virgin, whose womb was worthy to bear the Lord Jesus Christ. Halleluya.

Words: Responsory – 4th Lesson, 2nd Nocturn, Matins. Christmas Day.

#### **COMMUNION HYMN H82 127**

Earth Has Many a Noble City

# PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING BCP p. 366

Please kneel or sit.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Amen.

All

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.

#### THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

If you are able, please stand.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

The Celebrant blesses the Congregation, after which all reply

All Amen.

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

RECESSIONAL HYMN LEV 122

This Little Light of Mine

#### **ORGAN VOLUNTARY**

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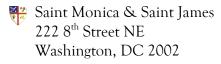
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