

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

S-154

All baptized Christians are invited to receive communion. Those not receiving communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing; simply signify by crossing your arms over your chest.

Music during Communion

Hymn 488 Be thou my vision *Slane*

Hymn 129 Christ upon the mountain peak *Mowsley*

Hymn 454 Jesus came adored by angels *Lowry*

Postcommunion Prayer

BCP 366

Blessing & Dismissal

WLP 787 We are marching in the light of God *Siyahamba*

The postlude will begin after a slight pause after the final hymn. That moment offers those who want to move forward the opportunity to come closer to the pipes.

Postlude on *Austria*

Thy Strong Word Did Cleave the Darkness

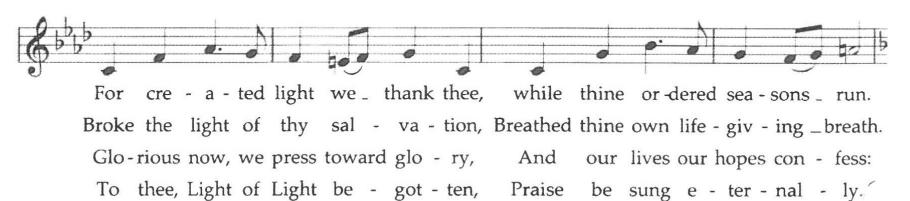
White 87.87

The Congregation joins the Choir singing the fourth stanza

Martin H. Franzmann



1. Thy strong word did cleave the _dark - ness: At thy speak-ing it was _done.
2. Lo, on those who dwelt in _dark - ness, Dark as night and deep as _death,
3. Thy strong word be-speaks us _right-eous; Bright with thine own hol - i - ness,
Congr. 4. God the Fa - ther, Light Cre - a - tor, To thee laud and hon-or _ be;



Words Copyright ©1969 C.P.H. Used with permission.
Music Copyright ©2002 by Gemini Press International. All rights reserved.
Printed in the United States of America
Sole Selling Agent: Theodore Presser Co.

Acolyte

Patrick McGuire

Altar Guild

MJ Mayerchak, Peggy Riethmiller, Mary Webster,
Marjorie Connolly, Kitty Wainwright, Jane Brooke, chair

AV Team

Keith Gibson, Jim White, Sharon White,
Patrick McGuire, Mary Price, Tim Price

Flower Guild

Elizabeth Boetsch, Claudia Ellis, Gail Dick,
Rene Glidden, Catherine Harcus, Elizabeth Harralson,
Peggy Riethmiller, Joy Harris, Kathy Kozak

Readers & Chalicists

Laurent Boetsch, Melissa Cox, Elizabeth Harralson, Judy Schram

Ushers

Gail Dick, Mark Nelson, Rob Minor

Clergy, Staff and Vestry of Grace Episcopal Church

The Rev. Tuck Bowerfind, Rector

(frtuck@graceepiscopallexington.org)

Wendy Moses Bearden, Financial Secretary
(bookkeeper@graceepiscopallexington.org)

Connie Bryant, Sexton

Martha Jones Burford, Minister of Music
(martha@graceepiscopallexington.org)

Lisa McGuire, Parish Administrator

(lisa@graceepiscopallexington.org)

Sharon White, Program Director
(sharon@graceepiscopallexington.org)

David Connolly, Jr. Warden (term ends 2022), Carole Elmore (term ends 2023), Matt Fogo (term ends 2024), Pat Gibson (term ends 2024), Elizabeth Grist (term ends 2023), Kathryn Hill (term ends 2023), Diana Kenney (term ends 2022), William McCorkle (term ends 2022), John Milford, Sr. Warden (milfordjm@gmail.com term ends 2022), Rob Minor (term ends 2023), Rissie Murphy (term ends 2024), Joanne Robblee (term ends 2024), Buster Lewis, Treasurer (term ends 2022), Gail Dickerson, Clerk (term ends 2022).

"Permission to reprint, podcast, and / or stream the music in this service obtained from ONE LICENSE with license #A-729194. All rights reserved."

Grace Episcopal Church

123 W. Washington St., Lexington, VA 24450 540-463-4981
office@graceepiscopallexington.org www.graceepiscopallexington.org

GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Lexington Parish of the Episcopal Diocese of Southwestern Virginia

10:30 a.m.

February 27, 2022

Last Sunday after the Epiphany

Announcements—*Today*:

If you are visiting Grace Church this morning, please fill out a Welcome Card found in the pew rack and place in the offertory plate or hand to an usher. Thank you!
RARA Food Pantry Volunteers needed, contact Kathy Hill for more info.
kathrynchill1@gmail.com

This week:

Lenten Madness starts March 2! Go to lentmadness.org to join the fun, fill out your bracket, and learn about some Saints!

Ash Wednesday Holy Eucharist Services March 2: 7:30am, 12:00pm, 3:00pm (Ashes only), 6:00pm

"Turning: A Community Gathering for Reflection on Walking the Way of Love" Friday, March 4, 5:30-6:30 "Unity Choral Concert" Saturday, March 5, 2pm.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

THE WORD OF GOD

Following ringing of bell - Please observe respectful silence during the Prelude.

Prelude Holy, Holy, Holy from A Mass for Soulful People Grayson Warren Brown (b. 1948-) and Lamb of God from Eucharist of the Soul Lena McLin (b. 1928-)

The Sanctus and Lamb of God are both from the Episcopal Hymnal Lift Every Voice and Sing II and are two of the pieces of service music we will sing throughout Lent.

Hymn 460 Alleluia, sing to Jesus *Hyfrydol*

Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer (BCP) 355

Gloria

S-280

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. 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.



© 1956, Jerome Webster Meachen.

Psalm 99

- 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 in-/deed; *
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.

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.

WLP 784 Hallelujah! We sing your praises *Halleluya! Pelo tso rona*

Luke 9:28-43a

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.

The Sermon

Fr. Tuck

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

Prayers of the People

Please pray for the wider Church and intercessions requested by our Congregants: Pray for The Anglican Communion; The Most Rev. Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury; Standing Committee of the Diocese of Haiti as they search for their new Bishop; the Diocese of Leeds and their Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Nick Baines; the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan and their Archbishop, The Most Rev. Justin Badi Arama; the Episcopal Church in the United States of America and our Presiding Bishop, The Most Rev. Michael B Curry; the Diocese of Southwestern Virginia, and our Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Mark Bourlakas.

Pray for the Youth of the Diocese of Southwestern Virginia, our Canon for Christian Formation, Pattie Ames, and our Canon for Evangelism & Youth, Jenni Faires.

Pray for Bob and Lynda DeMaria, Peter Fyfe, Lucy Moise, Bob Crewdson, David Burford, Mary Jane Hubbard, Glen Jones, Don Ellis, Don & Robyn Fleming (uncles of Pat McGuire), Alice Furgerson, Julie Jennings, Mary Froehlich, Hunter Headings, Betty Swope, Bill Kozak, Bob Glidden, Eli Bradley, Richard Jones, Daniel Hudgins, Sue Denson, Henry Eichelberger, Kirk Follo and those we name aloud or in our hearts.

Pray for those who have died.

Pray for all people, the people of Russia and the people of Ukraine, of the region and the world. Pray for those who have power and influence to bring this war to a swift and just restoration of peace.

We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week – Joseph Henson (2/27),

Caitie Carrington (2/28), Erin Carrington (2/28), Katherine Green (3/2), George Huger (3/5).

Celebrant: Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God, for the Lord our God is the Holy One. Placing our hope in God, offering ourselves to God, let us pray, "Shine in our hearts, Lord Jesus, and transform our lives."

Reader: Almighty God, as we turn our gaze toward our Lenten journey, strengthen us to bear our cross and to follow faithfully in the way of your Son, Jesus. (Silence)

Shine in our hearts, Lord Jesus; ***And transform our lives.***

O mighty King, lover of justice, establish equity, that the dignity of every human being may be preserved and respected. But also show us mercy and forgive us for our failures. (Silence)

Shine in our hearts, Lord Jesus; ***And transform our lives.***

Your glory outshines the brightness of the sun; the earth shakes in your presence and yet, it pleases you, O God, to reveal yourself to us through your creation. Give us hearts that love what you call good. (Silence)

Shine in our hearts, Lord Jesus; ***And transform our lives.***

We pray for all those in need of your liberating salvation, O God. May the glory we encounter here shine on our faces and in our lives. Strengthen us to embody the Good News of your love. (Silence)

Shine in our hearts, Lord Jesus; ***And transform our lives.***

Lord Jesus, free the suffering from their afflictions. Restore the broken to wholeness. Unveil the faces of those who dwell in great darkness. (*You may add your intentions silently or aloud*)

Shine in our hearts, Lord Jesus; ***And transform our lives.***

May we be changed into the likeness of your Son, O God, from glory to glory. Bring us at last into that place, with all your saints, where we might no longer see in a mirror dimly, but see you face to face. (Silence)

Shine in our hearts, Lord Jesus; ***And transform our lives.***

Celebrant: Eternal God, you inspired Anna Julia Haywood Cooper and Elizabeth Evelyn Wright with the love of learning and the joy of teaching: Help us also to gather and use the resources of our communities for the education of all your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen. (Anna Julia Haywood Cooper, 1964, and Elizabeth Evelyn Wright, 1904-Educators)

Confession of Sin

BCP 360

The Peace**Welcome****THE HOLY COMMUNION****Offertory**

Anthem: Thy Strong Word Franzmann/Roth *congregation join in on last verse (see page 5)*

Hymn 135 Songs of thankfulness and praise verses 1 and 4 *Salzburg*

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B BCP 367

Sanctus and Benedictus qui venit: *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord* S-125
The Lord's Prayer BCP 364