



February 4, 2018: The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany 10:30am

Prelude	<i>Puer nobis nascitur</i>	Michael Praetorius
Entrance	<i>What Star is this with Beams so Bright?</i>	Hymnal 124
Offertory Anthem	<i>Festive Praise</i>	Allen Pote
	<i>Sing to the Lord a song of praise, a wonderful, marvelous song!</i> <i>Sing to the Lord with joy in your heart, a wonderful marvelous song!</i> <i>Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, amen!</i>	
	<i>Come, come rejoice as you sing, you will lift up your voices</i> <i>in praise and thanksgiving to God.</i> <i>Sing all of the heavens, sing of the glory of God!</i> <i>Sing all the earth, rejoice!</i> <i>Sing of the glory, the marvelous glory of God!</i>	
	<i>Sing a new song with the lute and the harp.</i> <i>Make melody with the sound of the lyre.</i> <i>It is good to give thanks to the Lord, sing praise!</i> <i>O rejoice and be glad for the Lord is our God!</i>	
Communion Hymns	<i>Songs of Thankfulness and Praise</i> <i>In Christ there is no East nor West</i>	Hymnal 135 LEVAS 62
Exit	<i>God of Grace and God of Glory</i>	Hymnal 594
Postlude	<i>Salzburg</i>	Robert J. Powell

The Ministry of the Word

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

1st Lesson *Please be seated*

Isaiah 40:21-31

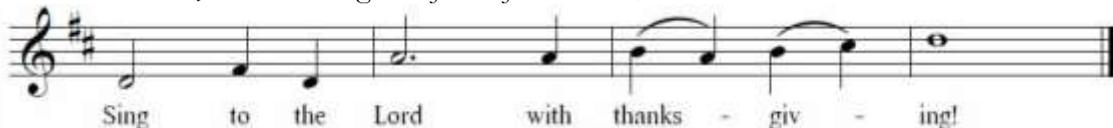
Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens

like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalms 147:1-12,21c *All sing the refrain after the choir, and where indicated.*



Hallelujah!

How good it is to sing praises to our God!
how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!

The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem;
he gathers the exiles of Israel.

He heals the brokenhearted
and binds up their wounds. **Refrain**

He counts the number of the stars
and calls them all by their names.
Great is our Lord and mighty in power;
there is no limit to his wisdom.

The Lord lifts up the lowly,
but casts the wicked to the ground.
Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving;
make music to our God upon the harp. **Refrain**

He covers the heavens with clouds
and prepares rain for the earth;

He makes grass to grow upon the mountains
and green plants to serve mankind.
He provides food for flocks and herds
and for the young ravens when they cry. **Refrain**

He is not impressed by the might of a horse;
he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;
But the Lord has pleasure in those who fear him,
in those who await his gracious favor.
Hallelujah! **Refrain**

2nd Lesson

1 Corinthians 9:16-23

If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel. For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel *please stand*

Mark 1:29-39

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After Jesus and his disciples left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them. That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns,

so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do.” And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Worship Leaders

Celebrant	The Rev. Marc Smith
Preacher	The Rev. Chester Hines
Lectors	Katie Kramer, Laurie Justiss
Intercessor	Joy Last
Crucifer	Scott Ferguson
Chalice	Josephine Ezenwa, Ernie Last
Acolytes	Christian Davis, Markie Jo Crismon
Greeters/Ushers	Colleen Haggerty
Children’s Chapel Leader	Heidi Olliff

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Richard Shelton Justiss, by Laurie Justiss.*

Announcements

Intergenerational Game Night – Tonight: Bring your favorite game to play. We will provide the pizza and drinks. We will gather from 5-7:30pm, so please feel free to come and go as your schedule permits.

Theology On Tap – “Faith and Feminism” February 6: The Rev. Hope Welles Jernagen, a priest of The Episcopal Church, also serves as the director of Magdalene St. Louis. Hope will lead us in a wide ranging discussion about faith, feminism, and the role of spirituality in dismantling the systemic oppression of women. Join us at 6:30pm at Dressel’s Pub in the Central West End at 419 N Euclid Ave.

Music Festival – February 11: welcome back AJ Dickerson and the IBC Singers to the 10:30 service for an "Alleluia Sunday." The Holy Communion adult choir will join them as we sing contemporary Christian songs of praise and worship.

Pancakes! Pancakes! Pancakes! Join us for our annual Pancake feast on Shrove Tuesday, February 13th from 5:30-7:30pm. The youth will again dazzle us with their pancake flipping skills as they raise money for the Youth Scholarship Fund. Donation recommendations: \$5 per person or \$10 per family. (Any donation amount will be welcomed.) Don't miss out on this fun filled evening!

Ash Wednesday – February 14: Join us at noon for a simple service with hymns and again in the evening with the full choir at 7:00pm. We hope you will join us as we begin our Lenten Journey.