

The Holy Eucharist

The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany
January 29, 2017 • 11:15 am

WASHINGTON NATIONAL CATHEDRAL

The people's responses are in bold.

THE ENTRANCE RITE

CARILLON PRELUDE

Lord, make us servants of your peace

Dickinson College; arr. Sally Slade Warner (1932-2009)

ORGAN PRELUDE

Choral, from Symphony No. 2

Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

INTROIT

O Wisdom!

T. Tertius Noble (1867-1953)

O Wisdom! Spirit of the Holy God, effulgent glory of eternal light, thou order'st all things, O divinest Might, Strong Wisdom, Spirit of the Holy God. O Sovereign Lord, thou mast of man's soul, inspire, we pray Thee by Thy human name, man's feeble will with Love's perpetual flame, and hold the wheels of life with strong control. O steadfast Spirit of the Holy God, o come be near us, guide us day by day with saving hand, along Thy marvelous way, Fair Wisdom, Spirit of the Holy God.

The people stand.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN • 569

God the Omnipotent!

Russia

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be the one, holy and living God.
Glory to God for ever and ever.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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. Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE

Glory to you

John Rutter (b. 1945)

Glo-ry to you, Lord God of our fa- thers; you are wor-thy of praise; glo-ry to
you. Glo-ry to you, for the ra - di-ance of your ho - ly Name; we will

praise you and high-ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____ Glo-ry to you _____ in the
 splen-dor of your tem- ple, _____ on the throne of your ma - jes-ty, glo-ry to you. _____ Glo-ry to
 you, seat-ed be- tween the Cher - u - bim; _____ we will praise you and high-ly ex - alt you for -
 ev - er. _____ Glo-ry to you, _____ be - hold-ing the depths; _____ in the
 high vault of hea- ven, glo-ry to you. _____ Glo-ry to you, _____ Fa-ther, Son, and
 Ho - ly Spi- rit; _____ we will praise you and high-ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____

THE WORD OF GOD

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
 And also with you.
 Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

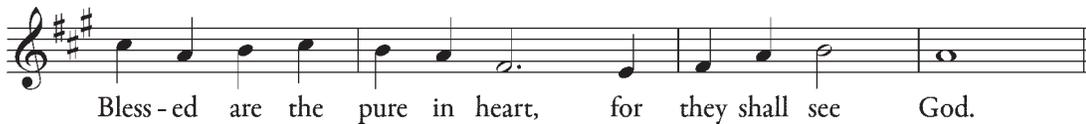
THE FIRST READING

Micah 6:1-8

Hear what the Lord says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the Lord has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel. "O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the Lord. With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?" He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

The Word of the Lord.
 Thanks be to God.

The choir introduces the antiphon; then all repeat.



Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle?
 who may abide upon your holy hill?
 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right,
 who speaks the truth from his heart.
 There is no guile upon his tongue;
 he does no evil to his friend;
 he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.
 In his sight the wicked is rejected,
 but he honors those who fear the Lord.
 He has sworn to do no wrong
 and does not take back his word.
 He does not give his money in hope of gain,
 nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.
 Whoever does these things
 shall never be overthrown.

All repeat the antiphon.

THE SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The people stand.

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE • 593

Lord, make us servants of your peace

Dickinson College

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

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Canon Rosemarie Logan Duncan

The people stand.

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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

After each intercession,

God of life and light,
hear us, we pray.

The presider prays the concluding collect, and the people respond, Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

The presider offers absolution and the people respond, Amen.

THE PEACE

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

The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and then are seated.

THE OFFERTORY

The people remain seated while an offering is received to support the Cathedral's ministry of sharing God's love with the world.

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

All wisdom comes from the Lord

William Mathias (1934-1992)

All wisdom is from the Lord; wisdom is with him forever. Who can count the sand of the sea the drops of rain, or the days of unending time? Who can measure the height of the sky, the breadth of the earth, or the depth of the abyss? Wisdom was first of all created things; intelligent purpose has been there from the beginning. Who has laid bare the root of wisdom? Who has understood her subtlety? One alone is wise, the Lord most terrible, seated upon his throne. It is he who created her, surveyed and measured her, and infused her into all his works. To all mankind he has given her in some measure, but in plenty to those who love him. Amen.

The people stand.

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION • 656

Blessed are the pure in heart

Franconia

THE HOLY COMMUNION

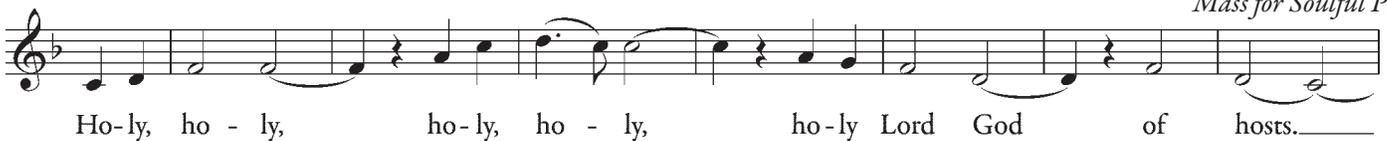
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 our thanks and praise.

The presider offers thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available in Christ, and in response the people sing:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Mass for Soulful People



high - est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name _____ of the Lord, _____
 _____ of the Lord. _____ Ho - san - na in the
 high - - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est. _____

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

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us with Peter and Paul, our patrons, and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. 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. AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Notre Père..., Padre nuestro..., Vater unser...,

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 FRACTION ANTHEM

This is the Body of Christ

John Bell (b. 1949)

This is the Bo-dy of Christ, bro-ken that we may be whole; this cup, as pro-mised by
 God, true to his word, cra-dles our Lord: food for the good of the soul.

The people are seated.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please receive the bread in open and outstretched hands and sip the wine from the chalice, guiding it gently to your lips; or you may dip the wafer into the wine. Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister. Respond to receiving Communion by saying "Amen." If you prefer to receive a blessing instead, please indicate your choice by crossing your hands across your chest.

During the administration of Holy Communion the laying on of hands and prayers for healing is offered in St. John's Chapel. Please enter the chapel by the ramp to the right of the pulpit.

ANTHEM DURING THE COMMUNION

Beatitudes

adapted from Russian Orthodox Liturgy

Remember your servants, Lord, when you come in your kingly power. Blessed are the poor in spirit; for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn; for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek; for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness; for they shall be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful; for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart; for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers; for they shall be called the children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake; for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when the world reviles you and persecutes you; and utters all manner of evil against you falsely for my sake: Rejoice and be exceeding glad; for great is your reward in heaven. (*Matthew 5:3-12*)

The people stand.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The presider blesses the people, and the people respond, Amen.

CLOSING HYMN • 556

Rejoice, ye pure in heart

Marion

THE DISMISSAL

Go in the light and peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

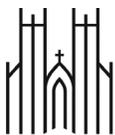
Fugue in C, BuxWV174

Dietrich Buxtehude (c. 1637-1707)

WORSHIP LEADERS The Very Reverend Randolph Marshall Hollerith, The Reverend Andrew K. Barnett, The Reverend Canon Kelly Brown Douglas, The Reverend Canon Rosemarie Logan Duncan

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