

# ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH

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**THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**  
**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2021**  
**9:00 A.M.**  
**HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II**

**WELCOME TO ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH**

If you are visiting us for the first time, let us offer you an especially warm welcome. We hope that you will enjoy worshipping with us. We would like to continue our relationship with you, so please fill out a visitor card (found on our website on our Newcomers page – [www.st-margarets.org](http://www.st-margarets.org)).

**FORMATION**

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**LITURGY AND MUSIC**

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WELCOME

HYMN

This is my Father's world

Terra Beata

1 This is my Fa-ther's world, And to my list-ning ears All  
 2 This is my Fa-ther's world: The birds their ca-rols raise, The  
 3 This is my Fa-ther's world: O let me ne'er for-get That  
 na-ture sings, and round me rings The mu-sic of the spheres.  
 mor-ning light, the li-ly white, De-clare their Ma-ker's praise.  
 though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Rul-er yet.  
 This is my Fa-ther's world; I rest me in the thought Of  
 This is my Fa-ther's world: He shines in all that's fair; In the  
 This is my Fa-ther's world: Why should my heart be sad? The  
 rocks and trees, of skies and seas His hand the won-ders wrought.  
 rust-ling grass I hear Him pass, He speaks to me ev-ery-where.  
 Lord is King.-let the hea-ven's ring! God reigns; let earth be glad! A-men.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant  
 People

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
**And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

## COLLECT FOR PURITY

*Celebrant* 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.**

## GLORIA

*Al Todd*

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God,  
hea-ven-ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you,  
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are sea - ted at the right hand of the  
Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ with the  
Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

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.**

## FIRST LESSON

2 Kings 2:1-12

A reading from the second book of Kings.

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent." Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

Lector            The Word of the Lord.

People            **Thanks be to God.**

## GRADUAL

Psalms 50:1-6

- 1 The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken; \*  
he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
- 2 Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, \*  
God reveals himself in glory.
- 3 Our God will come and will not keep silence; \*  
before him there is a consuming flame,  
and round about him a raging storm.
- 4 He calls the heavens and the earth from above \*  
to witness the judgment of his people.
- 5 "Gather before me my loyal followers, \*  
those who have made a covenant with me  
and sealed it with sacrifice."
- 6 Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; \*  
for God himself is judge.

## SECOND LESSON

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

A reading from the second letter to the Corinthians.

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Lector           The Word of the Lord.  
People           **Thanks be to God.**

## HYMN

Fullness of grace

Keith Getty & Stuart Townend

1. Full-ness of grace in mans hu-man fra - il - ty, this is the won-der of  
2. Full-ness of grace, the love of the Fa - ther shown in the face \_ of  
3. Full-ness of hope in Christ we had longed \_ for, Prom - ise of God \_ in

Je - sus. Lay - ing a - side His pow - er and glo - ry,  
Je - sus. Stoop - ing to bear the weight of hu - man - i - ty,  
Je - sus. Through His o - be - dience we are for - giv - en,

hum - bly He en - tered our world. Chose the \_ path of \_ mean - est \_ worth:  
walk - ing the Cal - va - ry road. Christ the \_ ho - ly \_ in - no - cent  
op - ning the flood - gates of heavn. All our \_ hopes and \_ dreams we \_ bring

Scan - dal \_ of a \_ vir - gin birth. Born in a sta - ble,  
took our \_ sin and \_ pun - ish - ment. Full - ness of God, de -  
glad - ly \_ as an \_ of - fer - ing. Full - ness of life and

cold and re - jec - ted: Here lies the hope \_ of the world.  
-spised and re - jec - ted: Crushed for the sins \_ of the world.  
joy un - speak - a - ble: Gods gift in love \_ to the world.

## GOSPEL

Mark 9:2-9

Priest           The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
People           **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

*Priest*            The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*            **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **SERMON**

The Rev. Peter W. Mayer

## **NICENE CREED**

*Celebrant and People*

**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.**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

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*Leader*            Let us pray in the glorious light of Christ.

Lord, who sent your son to guide us, your people, and who sent a star to guide the Wise Men to his worship, send us now, we pray, to guide our Church and to inspire our leaders, especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Eugene and Robert, our bishops.

**Lighten our darkness and guide us to you, O Lord; in your mercy hear our prayer.**

Lord, let the star of your justice always shine in our hearts, that we may give as our treasure all that we are to your service. Trusting in your word as a lamp unto our feet, and a light unto our path, we go out into the darkness for others.

**Lighten our darkness and guide us to you, O Lord; in your mercy hear our prayer.**

We give thanks, O Lord, that you are present in our homes and in our lives; we seek your continuous guidance. We pray for our neighbors, especially those in trouble or need, especially.... Help us to offer light to those in need, and graciously accept when light is offered to us in turn.

**Lighten our darkness and guide us to you, O Lord; in your mercy hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who are coming to the end of their journey here on earth and pray that they may come into your presence and kingdom. We pray for all those who have come before you, especially... May they now rejoice in the fullness of life eternal.

**Lighten our darkness and guide us to you, O Lord; in your mercy hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant* Holy God, you gather the whole universe into your radiant presence and continually reveal your Son as our Savior. Bring healing to all wounds, make whole all that is broken, speak truth to all illusion, and shed light in every darkness, that all creation will see your glory and know your Christ. **Amen.**

## **CONFESSION**

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins to God and our neighbor.

*Celebrant and People*

**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. **Amen.**

## **PEACE**

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

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

# HOLY COMMUNION

To give by cell phone, text GIVESMC to 73256.

## OFFERTORY MUSIC

Up to the mountain

Patty Griffin

*I went up to the mountain because you asked me to  
Up over the clouds to where the sky was blue  
I could see all around me everywhere I could see all around me everywhere  
Sometimes I feel like I've never been nothing but tired  
And I'll be working till the day I expire  
Sometimes I lay down, no more can I do  
Then go on again because you ask me to  
Some days I look down afraid I will fall  
And though the sun shines I see nothing at all  
Then I hear your sweet voice oh, coming, oh  
Telling me softly, that you love me so  
The peaceful valley just over the mountain  
The peaceful valley few come to know  
I may never get there ever in this lifetime  
But sooner or later, it's there I will go  
Oh sooner or later, it's there I will go*

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer C

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**  
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

**Glory to you for ever and ever.**

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

**By your will they were created and have their being.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

**Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

**By his blood, he reconciled us.**

**By his wounds, we are healed.**

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS

A. Todd



hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - - na in the high - - est.

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Ho - san - - na in the high - - est.

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

**We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac, and Rebecca; Jacob, Rachel and Leah; God of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal.

Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

**Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Accept these prayers and praises, O God, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

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

*Celebrant and People*

**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.

**BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*Celebrant* God of promise, you have prepared a banquet for us.  
*People* **Happy are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.**

**FRACTION ANTHEM**

A. Todd

1.  
 Lamb of God, \_\_\_\_\_ you take a-way \_\_\_\_\_ the sins of the world.  
 Lamb of God, \_\_\_\_\_ you take a-way the sins of the world.

2.  
 Have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, \_\_\_\_\_ you take a-way \_\_\_\_\_  
 Have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, \_\_\_\_\_ you  
 \_\_\_\_\_ the sins of the world. Grant us peace.  
 take a-way the sins of the world. Grant us peace.

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ lived and died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

**POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**Lord God, the bright splendor whom the nations seek:  
 may we who with the wise men**

have been drawn by your light  
discern the glory of your presence  
in your incarnate Son,  
who suffered, died, and was buried,  
and who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
now and for ever. Amen.

## BLESSING

May Christ, the Son of God be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light in the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## HYMN

This little light of mine

arr. Sam Cooke

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen (2x)  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine (3x)  
Let it shine, let it shine, to show my love.  
Everywhere, I go, I'm gonna let it shine (3x)  
Let it shine, let it shine, to show my love.  
Everyday in my home, I'm gonna let it shine (3x)  
Let it shine, let it shine, to show my love.  
When I see my neighbor coming, I'm gonna let it shine (3x)  
Let it shine, let it shine, to show my love.  
All around the world, I'm gonna let it shine (3x)  
Let it shine, let it shine, to show my love.  
Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen (2x)

## DISMISSAL

Celebrant  
People

Alleluia. Alleluia. Let us go forth in the name of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

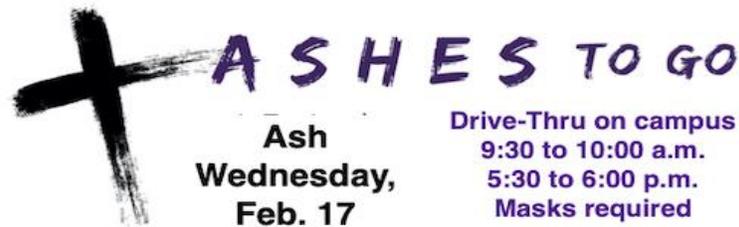
## POSTLUDE

Deep Peace

arr. Al Todd

## IN THIS SERVICE

Celebrant:	The Rev. Peter W. Mayer, Rector
Preacher:	The Rev. Patti Sachs, Associate Rector
Music:	Third Sunday Band Al Todd, Alli Smith, Emilie Stafford, Deb Callahan, Ernie Tucker, John Koloski, Jamie Wilson, Dusty Macmillan
Lector:	Izzy Winn
Altar Guild:	Stephanie Ceruolo, Nancy Saroch, Lisa Moylan, Lynn Goff
Flower Guild:	Mary Kirkeby
Cover Painting:	Transfiguration by Bellini



**Ash Wednesday Online Service  
at 7:00 p.m.**

**Lenten Monday Night Book Study**  
***Blessed is She: Living Lent with Mary* by Tim Perry**  
**7 p.m. – Starting Feb. 22 – Through Zoom**

Everyone is happy to see Mary in the crèche at Christmas time, but by the time the Magi head back East after the Feast of the Epiphany, Christians of many traditions are often ready to place Mary to the side, too. But Timothy Perry presents a Mary who belongs in Lent as much as in Advent, showing what it means to die and live with the crucified and risen Jesus. Drawing primarily from the Gospel of Luke, this lovely book of spiritual reflections reveals a Lenten Mary who teaches us about being disciples.

Get your book soon! Begin reading on Ash Wednesday. There are still 5 copies available in the office (\$10). If you would like to participate and haven't done a Monday night study yet, email the Rev. Patti Sachs at [patti@st-margarets.org](mailto:patti@st-margarets.org) to put you in the group.

**Lenten 40 Prayer Challenge**

Join our congregation in daily prayer for a different group or topic each day.  
To download a copy, go to our Lent page on our website or  
look for the link in Dragon Tales.  
Begins on Ash Wednesday

**Lenten Quiet Day**

Friday, March 12  
10 a.m.

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Join the Rev. Patti Sachs as she leads you through two hours of being focused on the presence of God - in our lives, in nature, in our midst. To really focus on God, we need to remove ourselves and as many distractions as we are able.

