



ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
in the heart of the historic Stockade District
The Third Sunday after The Epiphany - 23 January 2022
High Mass — Rite I, 10AM
The Rev. Richard Lehmann, *Celebrant & Preacher*
Dr. Brian J. Taylor, AAGO, *Director of Music Ministry*

MASS SETTING

Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

ENTRANCE HYMN 616

Hail to the Lord's anointed

Es flog ein kleins Waldvoegelein

INTROIT

Chanted by the cantor

So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth; it shall not return to me empty; but it shall accomplish that which I please. Ps. Incline you ear and come unto me; Hear and your soul shall live.

Celebrant
People

✠ Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost
And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

(people kneel)

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

KYRIE ELEISON HYMNAL S-91

(people kneel)

Lord, have mercy upon us. (3x)
Christ, have mercy upon us. (3x)
Lord, have mercy upon us. (3x)

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS, HYMNAL S-202

(people stand)

Glory be to God on high,
and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee,
we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,

O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father
Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the
Father,
have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost,

✠ art most high in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and all the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

All the people of Israel gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

Lector The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God**

THE GRADUAL

Chanted by the cantor

Behold my servant whom I uphold; mine elect in whom my soul delights. I have put my spirit upon him; he shall bring forth judgment to the nations.

THE EPISTLE READING

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and

THE NICENE CREED

(people stand)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to Judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father (and the Son); who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead ✠ and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, BCP p. 328-330

(people kneel)

CONFESSION OF SIN, BCP p. 331

(people kneel)

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

THE PEACE

(people stand)

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And with thy spirit.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Chanted by the cantor

The right hand of the Lord hath the preeminence; the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass; I shall not die but live; and declare the works of the Lord.

OFFERTORY HYMN 124

What star is this, with beams so bright

Puer nobis

Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Music: Plainsong; adapt. Charles Winifred Douglas (1867-1944)

FRACTION

Celebrant [Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]**

AGNUS DEI HYMNAL S-158

Said by all

(people kneel)

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.**

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Said by all

(people kneel)

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Celebrant ✠ Behold the Lamb of God: Behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.

People **Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof, but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.**

ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

All baptized Christians may receive communion, regardless of age or denomination.

During this time of heightened COVID infection, communion will be administered in only one kind.

COMMUNION SENTENCE*Chanted by the cantor***All** wondered at the gracious word which proceeded out of his mouth.**COMMUNION HYMN 632**

O Christ, the Word Incarnate

*Munich***POST COMMUNION PRAYER***Said by all**(people kneel)*

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING**EXIT HYMN 539**

O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling

*Tidings***DISMISSAL**

BCP p. 339

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.*People* **Thanks be to God.**

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Richard Lehmann
 Master of Ceremonies: David Kennison
 Organist: Dr. Brian J. Taylor
 Cantor: Joyce Cockerham
 Thurifer: Chris Henry
 Acolytes: Anne Kennison & J. J. Moran
 Greeter: Meg Hughes
 Lector: Meredith Ewbank
 Counters: Jeff Wengrovius & Meg Hughes
 Altar Guild: Anne Kennison
 Sacristan: David & Anne Kennison

Prayer List

The Sick and those in need: Ed C., Nellie, Peggy, Peter, Theresa, Gail, Robert T., Richard, Jessica, Christian, Jesse, Judith S, Marasella, Bob K, John C., James, Judy, Layla, Sarah K., Joseph M., Christine L, Robert, Nick T., Sue V., Ken K, Faiz, Cora, Kate J., Maidie K., Rich, Sharon

*At the end of the month we will start over with this prayer list.**If you would like a name included, contact office@stgeorgesschenectady.org***The Departed**

✠ Blake Staunton Ewbank (cousin of Jon Ewbank)

✠ Judith Smith

Birthdays:

Rosemary Pannone (1-23, Sun), Nicholas Reed (1-26, Wed)
 Jeffrey Wengrovius (1-27, Thurs), James Moore III (1-29, Sat)
 Paul Smigelski (1-30, Sun)

Anniversaries:

None

PARISH NOTICES

WELCOME VISITORS! We'd like to extend a warm welcome to our visitors today. Whether you live in our area and decided to worship with us today or if you are visiting from out of town, we offer you a warm Georgian welcome!

There are visitor cards in most of the pews and we ask that you fill one out and give it to the Greeters at the door or simply drop it in the offering plate. We'd love to see you again. Our Sunday Mass is at 10am. Details are on our website, www.stgeorgesschenectady.org.

Annual Meeting The 2022 Annual Meeting of St. George's will be held **TODAY** in the Church, immediately following the 10am Mass.

Coffee Hour Cancelled Due to recent rise in Covid infections in the area and in our church, Coffee Hour is cancelled for the rest of January.

Candlemas Day The 40th day after Christmas, February 2nd, is The Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Temple or The Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We will have a Candlemas Procession and Mass that evening at 7:00 p.m. The Rev. Dale Van Wormer will be our guest celebrant.

Weekday Services. Our plan to develop new weekday services on Wednesday (liturgy of The Word & bible study), Thursday (Compline) and Friday (liturgy of The Word) is delayed until February due to the resurgence of Covid. When it is again safe, these will be rescheduled.

Little Red Wagon Sunday/ SICM collection Our January ingathering was successful and we are now working on February with your donations of non-perishable food and toiletries for the Schenectady Community Ministries. Hearty soups, healthy snacks, pasta, hygiene items are all needed. You may also contribute a check to the ministry and place it in the offering plate. Our next collection date is **February 13th**.

Pastoral Care & Emergencies During the interregnum, here are the options for pastoral care needs: (1) Jim Wingate & Anne Duff are always available for pastoral care, home and hospital visitations and communion. Call Jim at 518-381-9271. (2) Brian Taylor is trained in hospital chaplaincy and will respond for pastoral care and emergencies. Contact Brian (text or voice) at 912-656-0779 or email cornishanglican@gmail.com. (3) If the ministrations of a priest are needed, Senior Warden David Kennison will arrange for a priest of the diocese to respond. Call David (text or voice) at 518-320-5619 or email kentech2@nycap.rr.com.

All On the Same Page St. George's book club is currently reading *The Thursday Murder Club* by Richard Osman. It's a witty and suspenseful mystery about inquisitive English pensioners whose hobby of solving cold cases hits close to home when a murder occurs in the midst of their bucolic retirement community. Sandee Hughes suggested the read. Discussion will be after church on March 20. Please see Meg Hughes if you'd like to know more.

Shape Note Singing Due to the uptick in COVID infections in our area, Shape Note Singing will NOT MEET until the region's daily new case level drops to a safe point.

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Jesus reads the scroll of the prophet Isaiah in the temple.