

# St. Mary's Episcopal Church

A parish in the Diocese of Pennsylvania

February 16, 2025 - 10:00 AM - The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany, Rite II

Our Mission: God is calling the people of St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Wayne, Pennsylvania to follow Jesus' teaching to love God with all our hearts, souls and minds; and to love our neighbor as ourselves.

Therefore we love and embrace each other, friend and stranger alike in worship, service and prayer as we seek to live in and share God's Word.

– Adopted by the St. Mary's Vestry, May 2015



"Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God." - Luke 6:20

# The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Voluntary Two modal preludes

Alleluia, in the Dorian mode & Prayer in the Lydian mode

Those who are able may stand and join in the singing of the opening hymn in procession.

Hymn in Procession 493 O for a thousand tongues to sing

Azmon

Camil Van Hulse

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

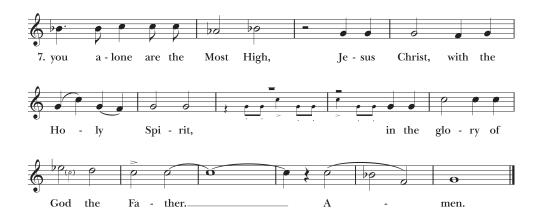
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

#### **Collect for Purity**

A lmighty 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.** 



W. Mathias



Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

The people may be seated.

First Reading Jeremiah 17:5-10

A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah.

Thus says the Lord:
Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord.

They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes.

They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness,

in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord.

They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream.

It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green;

in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.

and it does not cease to bear f

The heart is devious above all else;

it is perverse--

who can understand it?

I the Lord test the mind

and search the heart,

to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

#### Anglican Chant, Ivor Keys

### Psalm I (Sung by All)



- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, \*
  nor lingered in the way of sinners,
  nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the LORD, \*
  and they meditate on his law day and night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; \*

   everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 It is not so with the wicked; \*
  they are like chaff which the wind blows a way.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when 'judgment' comes, \* nor the sinner in the 'council' of the 'righteous.
- 6 For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, \* but the way of the wicked is doomed.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

A Reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians.

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ--whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

**Gradual Hymn 296** We know that Christ is raised and dies no more

Engelberg

The Holy Gospel Luke 6:17-26

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you Lord Christ.

Jesus came down with the twelve apostles and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,

for yours is the kingdom of God.

"Blessed are you who are hungry now,

for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now,

for you will laugh.

"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is

what their ancestors did to the prophets."

"But woe to you who are rich,

for you have received your consolation.

"Woe to you who are full now,

for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,

for you will mourn and weep.

"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you Lord Christ.

#### Nicene Creed

Those who are able may stand.

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 - Form II

In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud. Leader

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishop Daniel; for this gathering; and for all

ministers and people. In this week's parish cycle of prayers, we pray for the families of (the congregation reads aloud)

David Phillips and Rena Counsellor, David and Kirsten Parsells, Timothy O' Donovan and their families.

Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace. We pray for Donald our President and Josh our Governor.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble. Remembering, the (congregation reads aloud) Irene Steinhardt, Jennifer Lurie, Victoria Coates, JoAnne Vereneck, Jim Cobb, Scott Ziglar, Craig and Ann Marie Erickson, Marylu Hill and her family, Magali Behrmann, Avanya Manasseh, Wilhelm Rebmann, Tom Ferrara, Timothy O'Donovan, Aldys Davis, Guillaume Brunet, Enid Ball and Bob Buckley.

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed especially for Raymond Scott Drumheller for whom the Flowers on the High Altar are given, in thanksgiving for the family of Barbara Zimmer for whom the Lady Chapel Altar Flowers are given and to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving and celebration of Irene Steinhardt's 94th birthday. for whom the Sanctuary Light is given. (silence)

Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Members of the congregation may ask the prayers or the thanksgivings of those present. Please feel free to speak the following phrases, filling in the blanks with your concerns or prayers.

I ask your prayers for	•	
I ask your thanksgiving for _		•
Silence		

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### **Confession of Sin**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence.

## 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.

The Priest stands and says

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.** 

Those who are able may stand.

## Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

#### Announcements

# The Holy Communion

# **Eucharistic Prayer B**

Offertory Anthem There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

Maurice Bevan

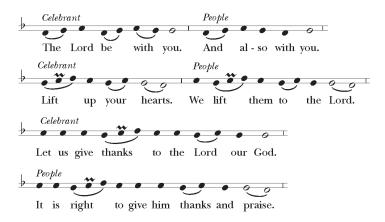
There's a wideness in God's mercy, Like the wideness of the sea; There's a kindness in His justice, Which is more than liberty. There is no place where earth's sorrows Are more felt than up in Heaven; There is no place where earth's failings Have such kindly judgment given.

For the love of God is broader Than the measure of man's mind; And the heart of the Eternal Is most wonderfully kind. But we make His love too narrow By false limits of our own; And we magnify His strictness With a zeal He will not own.

There is plentiful redemption In the blood that has been shed;
There is joy for all the members In the sorrows of the Head.
There is grace enough for thousands Of new worlds as great as this;
There is room for fresh creations In that upper home of bliss.

If our love were but more simple, We should take Him at His word; And our lives would be all gladness In the joy of Christ our Lord.

## Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds



It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



Those who are able may kneel or stand.

#### Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

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On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father

### Celebrant and People

We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

#### The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

A-men.

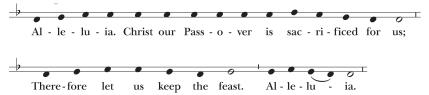
And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Then may be sung or said



#### Agnus Dei S 165

W. Mathias







## The Celebrant says

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

#### **Communion Motet** The Beatitudes

Russian Orthodox Hymn

Antiphon: Remember your servants, Lord, when you come in your kingly power.

- I Blessed are the poor in spirit; for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
  - 2 Blessed are those who mourn; for they shall be comforted.
    - 3 Blessed are the meek; for they shall inherit the earth.
- 4 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness; for they shall be satisfied.
  - 5 Blessed are the merciful; for they shall obtain mercy.
  - 6 Blessed are the pure in heart; for they shall see God.
  - 7 Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God.
- 8 Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake; for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- 9 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.

After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray.

The People may join in saying this prayer

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

A prayer for those observing birthdays

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A prayer for those observing anniversaries

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church; Send your blessing upon these persons who come to renew their promises to each other, and grant them in your grace, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their lives together may be a witness to your love and forgiveness, and that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Closing Hymn 544 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun

Duke Street

**Dismissal** 

**Voluntary** Basse de trompette(L'Oeuvre d'Orgue)
(Bass of the trumpet (Compositions for Organ)

Louis Marchand (1669-1732)

## **Invitation & Announcements**

To all who are lonely and need friendship; to all who are discouraged and need good news; to all who mourn and need comfort; to all who are tempted and need help; to all who are sinners and need forgiveness; to all who are complacent and need disturbing; to all who thirst for the water of life; to all who love Christ and would follow Christ, this church opens wide its doors and bids you WELCOME!

We welcome all visitors to St. Mary's this morning. Please sign our guest book by the front door of the Church.

# Today is Sunday, February 16, 2025 The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

7:45 am Holy Eucharist Rite I
10:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite II
(livestreamed and recorded)

11:15 am Coffee Hour

#### Acolytes

7:45 am Barb Zimmer
10:00 am Ruth Lanouette, Penny Busch
Allyson Radford

#### Chalice

7:45 am Barb Zimmer 10:00 am Erlis Wickersham

#### Readers

**7:45 am** Balana Gullatt **10:00am** John Wickersham, Bob Mickel

Prayers of the People: Bridget Lanouette

Live Stream: Owen Cutler

**Ushers:** Brian Lanouette, Pat McKay.

David Parsells

#### Parish Cycle of Prayers

In this week's Parish Cycle of Prayers we pray for David Phillips and Rena Counsellor, David and Kirsten Parsells, Timothy O' Donovan and their families.

The Flowers on the High Altar are given by Nicole Marie to the Glory of God and in loving memory of her father Raymond Scott Drumheller.

Flowers on the Lady Chapel Altar are given by Barbara Zimmer, to the glory of God and in thankfulness for family.

The Sanctuary Light is given is given by Maria, Emily, Richard and Shannon to the glory of God and in thanksgiving and celebration of Irene Steinhardt's 94th birthday.

# Please pray for those in ongoing need of our prayers and all on our parish intercession list at St. Mary's:

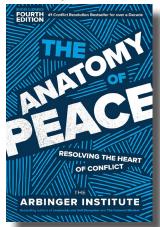
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Also included on the prayer list are our friends John Paul, Peggy Wilson, Emma Cavanaugh-Kerr, Stan Compton, Arlene, Carole Beideman, Grace, Fionn Reid, Rev. Paul Reid, Doug Drumheller, Lois, Ellie and Karen Lacobucci.

The names read aloud today include St. Mary's parishioners and family members of parishioners. Please say aloud the names of your loved ones during the Prayers of the People when the lector pauses for the congregation to add their own petitions. Please note: Kindly let our Parish Administrator Nicole Marie know if you would like yourself or another prayed for at our services. It is our practice to take individuals off the Intercession list after four weeks unless more time is requested.

Join us for our Annual Meeting after Church on February 23rd. We will be electing new Vestry Members, delegates to Diocesan Convention, and a new People's Warden. If you are interested in running for any of these positions please contact Nicole Marie in the Church office at nicole@stmaryswayenpa.org.

Christian Formation Sunday Mornings at 9am Navajo Room



The Anatomy of Peace

What if conflicts at home, work, and the world stem from the same root cause? What if we systematically misunderstand that root cause? And what if, as a result, we unwittingly perpetuate the very problems we're trying to solve.

Join us in the Adult Forum to discuss The Anatomy of Peace by the Arbinger Institute. In it you will learn how cultivating peace begins with your own mindset, and how to shift that mindset towards one of peace. All participants will need a copy of The Anatomy of Peace by the Arbinger Institute, available on Amazon. Please join us! If you have questions, please contact Erlis Wickersham at vze27g53@verizon.net.

2025 Vestry Candidates A big thank you to everyone running for vestry in 2025. There is still time to run so if you are interested please contact Nicole Marie in the Church office. at nicole@stmaryswaynepa.org

An up to date list of the candidates is here: stmaryswaynepa.org/post/2025-vestry-candidates

This year we will be electing: 5 – Vestry Members Deputies to Diocesan Convention People's Warden

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Monday Morning Bible Study Online via Zoom II:ooam - 12:oopm The lively and dedicated group that meets on Mondays is completing a consideration of the last twelve books of the Old Testament. At the end of January, we will embarked on a new study: the book of Jeremiah. We invite each of you to join us for deeper insights into Scripture and for fellowship together. All are welcome to attend some or all of our meetings. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Erlis Wickersham at vze27g53@verizon.net.

St. Mary's Book Club The next meeting of the St. Mary's Book Club will take place on Wednesday, March 12th at 2 PM at Erlis Wickersham's house. We will discuss *Fruit of the Dead* by Rachel Lyon and on April 9th we will read Matthew Pearl's *Dante Chamber*. All are welcome to join us for fellowship and delicious refreshments, whether you read the book or not. We hope to see you all. If you have questions, please contact Erlis Wickersham.

# DEADLINES for eCHIMES & BULLETIN

The weekly liturgy bulletins are available online on Fridays and in print on Sundays.

The eChimes is distributed on Fridays.

To help us meet these deadlines, all announcements, photographs, and notices must be submitted to our Parish Administrator, Nicole Marie, by the **End of the day on Tuesdays.** We appreciate your understanding. Please reach out to Nicole with questions. You may call her at 610-688-1313 (ext. 202) or email her at **nicole@stmaryswaynepa.org.** 

# Parish Hall Access Control System Installation UPDATE!



The Access Control system by I Touch AVS is in the process of being installed and configured on the front door of the Parish Hall. Please bear with us as we complete the installation process, WiFi upgrade, conduit reconfiguration, PIN distribution and training for using the system. You may continue to use physical keys until notified to return them.

Automatically generated Personal PIN codes are being distributed by Tom Kelleher to everyone that previously had a key and reported it for the key log. If you would like to customize your PIN code you can contact Tom Kelleher.

All parishioners are eligible to get a personal PIN code to access the Parish Hall, please contact Tom Kelleher to set one up for you.

The Access Control System is programmable to have unlocked time periods, currently set for Sundays 7:45 am until 1pm. It also has "community group" unlock time windows for the Support Groups which meet in the mornings and are triggered by the "first 1 in" of the Support Group leadership with codes.

If you have any questions about using the system, please contact Tom Kelleher at tommytrain@gmail.com or Bob Mickel at robertmickel27@gmail.com.

For more updates please visit: www.stmaryswaynepa.org/post/parish-hall-access-control-announcement

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#### WEEKLY SERVICES AT ST. MARY'S

Sunday in the Church
7:45 am Eucharist Rite I
10:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite II\*
Daily Office: 9:30am and 5pm

Thursday Healing Service: 12 noon
\*Livestreamed at St. Mary's Livestream page
https://www.stmaryswaynepa.org/livestream

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