

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you. *Celebrant:* Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth:
AMercifully 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 MINISTRY OF THE WORD

THE LESSON: A reading from the Book of the Prophet Micah

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 tens of 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?

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 15

Domine, quis habitabit?

Response: Who may dwell on the holy hill of God?

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¹O God, who may abide in your tent?
Who may dwell on your holy hill?

²Those who walk blamelessly,
and do what is right,

who speak the truth from their heart,

³and do not slander with their
tongue,

who do no evil to their friends,
nor take up a reproach against
their neighbors; ℟

⁴in whose eyes the wicked are despised,
but who honor those who fear God;

who stand by their oath
even to their hurt;

⁵who do not lend money at interest,
and do not take a bribe against the
innocent.

Those who do these things
shall never be moved. ℟

(May be sung with double tone.)

THE EPISTLE: A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

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 the 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."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(The people stand)

GRADUAL HYMN

"Tú has venido a la orilla"

WLP 758

Matthew Plourd, *soloist*

Spanish:

*Tu has venido a la orilla,
No has buscado ni a sabios, ni a ricos,
tan solo quieres que yo te siga*

*You have come down to the lakeshore
Seeking neither the wise nor the wealthy,
But only asking for me to follow.*

*Refrain: Jesus, me has mirado a los ojos
Sonriendo has dicho mi nombre
En la arena he dejado mi barca;
Junto a ti buscare otro mar.*

*Refrain: O Jesus, you have looked into my eyes,
Kindly smiling, you've called out my name.
On the sand I have abandoned my small boat;
Now with you, I will seek other seas.*

*Tu sabes bien lo que tengo:
En mi barca no hay oro ni espadas;
Tan solo redes mi trabajo.
Refrain*

*You know full well my possessions.
Neither treasure nor weapons for conquest,
Just these my fishnets and will for working.
Refrain*

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1-12

Gospellor The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Gospellor The Holy Gospel ✠ of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: 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.

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

SERMON (*The People are seated*)

Father Sturni

THE NICENE CREED (*The People stand*)

BCP, page 358

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 FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Subdeacon: Our Lord Jesus Christ, Word become flesh, commanded us to pray for one another. Let us therefore pray for God's people everywhere, according to their own specific needs, saying: Lord, in your mercy, bear our prayer.

Leader: For peace on earth and in the hearts of national leaders, especially Joseph, our President, we pray to the Lord.

Hear our prayer.

For all the people on earth, that they may listen to the prophets God sends, we pray to the Lord.

Hear our prayer.

Remembering Jeffrey and Laura, our bishops, and all who teach God’s word, that they may be faithful in guiding people to the light of truth and life, we pray to the Lord.

Hear our prayer.

For students, staff and faculty, and for parents, that they may live with the gospel each day, sharing insight, wisdom and love for all, we pray to the Lord.

Hear our prayer.

For all who are afflicted with pain, sorrow, or loneliness and for all who care for them; for all affected by conflict and disaster, we pray to the Lord.

Hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

The Leader concludes: For all these things we bring before God, we pray **Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant:

God of all nations, look with love on this world and on its people. Bless the work of your creation, and help us to be strong in following Jesus, our brother and our Lord, now and forever. **AMEN.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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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 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.

Priest: Almighty God....

THE PEACE

Please stand

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

All who are baptized in any branch of Christ's Church are welcome to receive the Eucharist at the Lord's Table. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you are not receiving, you are invited to come forward for a Blessing (indicated by crossing your arms over your chest). If you have not been baptized and find yourself drawn to Jesus Christ and life in him, please let one of our clergy know. We would be honored to have a conversation with you about Baptism or answer any other questions. Baptism and life in the Body of Christ is open to all.

OFFERTORY HYMN

"Amazing grace!"

1982 Hymnal, 671

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 him thanks and praise.**

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

Sanctus

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.**

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. 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,

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

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 The Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Mark, and 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. **Amen.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray

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 FRACTION ANTHEM (*All singing*)

1982 Hymnal S-154

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast.**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God...

ANTHEM AT HOLY COMMUNION

“The Beatitudes”

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*Blessed are the poor in spirit:
For theirs is the kingdom of heaven
Blessed are they that mourn:
For they shall be comforted
Blessed are the meek:
For they shall inherit the earth
Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after
righteousness:
For they shall be filled
Blessed are the merciful:
For they shall obtain mercy
Blessed are the pure in heart:
For they shall see God
Blessed are the peace makers:*

*For they shall be called the children of God
Blessed are they which are persecuted for
righteousness sake:
For theirs is the kingdom of heaven
Blessed are ye
When men shall revile you
And persecute you
And shall say all manner of evil against you
falsely, for my sake
Rejoice, and be exceeding glad:
For great is your reward in heaven:
For so persecuted they the prophets which were
before you
Amen*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (*The people stand*)

BCP, p. 366

Celebrant: Let us pray.

***All:* Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER (*Celebrant*)

THE BLESSING

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

Celebrant: ... and the blessing . . . **AMEN.**

MISSION HYMN

"Tell out, my soul"

1982 Hymnal, 437

DISMISSAL Alleluia, alleluia, Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDE

“Let All Together Praise Our God”

BWV 609, J.S. Bach

Join us in Goodwin Hall following the service
for the
Annual Meeting and Luncheon.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 7PM
THE FEAST OF CANDLEMAS

A SERVICE OF LIGHT

Organ Meditations with
Dr. Charles Houmard, Music Director, St. Mark's Chapel
Soloist, Ava Johnson



Liturgical Note: The Feast of Candlemas is known primarily as the Feast of the Purification, (Roman Catholic), or the Presentation (Anglican and Lutheran), and as "Ground Hog Day" (by most non liturgical churches). It is called "Candlemas" because of the theme of light expressed in the music and prayers below, and because candles were brought to church this day to be blessed for home use. Candlemas marks the end of the Nativity Cycle within the Christian Calendar. In most Spanish

speaking countries it is known as "Candalaria."

Celebrate The Feast of Candlemas & Organ Meditation on Thursday, February 2, 7:00 pm.

**Thank you to our Sunday Ministers:
January 29, 2023**

Rite I, 8 am

Altar Guild: B. Rossiter

Usher: T. Bitwinski

Eucharistic Minister: B. Rossiter

Reader: M. Zimmer

Prayers of the People: S. Gagnon

Videographer: D. Sykes

Rite II, 10am

Altar Guild - John Doiron

Usher - Mark Healey

Eucharistic minister - Laurie Gypson

Lector - Bruce Steinway

Intercessor - Bruce Steinway

Video - Madison Day

Coffee Hour - Madison Day

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Supply Priest: The Rev'd Gary K. Sturni, D.Min.



St Mark's Chapel



February Worship Schedule

- **THU, FEB 2, 7 PM - FEAST OF CANDLEMAS & ORGAN MEDITATION**
- **SUN, FEB 5, 8 AM & 10 AM - EUCHARIST, BRUCE STEINWAY**
- **SUN, FEB 12, 8 AM & 10 AM - EUCHARIST, PHIL BJORNBERG**
- **SUN, FEB 19, 8 AM & 10 AM - EUCHARIST, PHIL BJORNBERG**
- **WED, FEB 22, 7 PM - ASH WEDNESDAY, BRUCE STEINWAY**
- **SUN, FEB 26, 8 AM & 10 AM - EUCHARIST, BEN BROCKMAN**

Gary Sturni will be back as our
consistent supply clergy person starting on March 5