

THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Sunday March 2, 2025 (10:00 am)

The Rt. Reverend Anne B. Jolly, Bishop of Ohio

The Rev. Dr. Robin R. Woodberry, Rector

James W. Shiell, Director of Music

Paul W. Keriotis, Director of Spiritual Formation

Voluntaries

Trumpet Voluntary – Jeremiah Clark (arr. Vaclav Nelhybel)
My Spirit Be Joyful – Johann Sebastian Bach (arr. Kenton Parton)

Choral Introit

All That Hath Life and Breath, Praise Ye the Lord – Rene Clausen

AT THE PROCESSION TO THE ALTAR

The People stand for the Processional Hymn and remain standing through the Collect of the Day

Processional Hymn No. 423 Immortal, invisible, God only wise – *St. Denio*

Opening Acclamation

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

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

The Celebrant says 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 God

from Peru

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.

THE WORD OF GOD

Please be seated.

The First Reading: Exodus: 34:29-35

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

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

Psalm 99 [*sung by the choir*]

Dominus regnavit

- 1 The LORD is King;
let the people tremble; *
he is enthroned upon the cherubim;
let the earth shake.
- 2 The LORD is great in Zion; *
he is high above all peoples.
- 3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; *
he is the Holy One.
- 4 "O mighty King, lover of justice,
you have established equity; *
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."
- 5 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God
and fall down before his footstool; *
he is the Holy One.
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, *
they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.
- 7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; *
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.
- 8 O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; *
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds.
- 9 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God
and worship him upon his holy hill; *
for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

The Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

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

Sequence Hymn (*see page 12*) Christ Be Our Light – *Bernadette Farrel*

Verses 1 – 4 sung by the cantors

verse 5 sung by all

ALL sing refrain after each verse

The Gospel: Mark 9:2-9

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah" --not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

[On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. And all were astounded at the greatness of God.]

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

Sermon

The Nicene Creed

Please stand as you are able and together say

**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 became truly human.**

**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

(Source: Sub-Committee on Racial Justice & Reconciliation of The Episcopal Church Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music.)

Leader: “Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.” (*Isaiah 60:1*) You who, by the leading of a star, guided the Magi to the brightness of the Holy Child of Bethlehem, leads us to the light of revelation, so that we may value and honor the varied gifts of our sisters and brothers. Christ, be our light

Leader: **Shine in our heart.**

Leader: You who framed the brightness of the first light in creation, dispel the arrogance, animosity, and anger that shatter the unity of your holy Church. Fill your faithful people with the radiant light of truth. Christ, be our light

People: **Shine in our heart.**

Leader: You who delivered your people from the misery of bondage in slavery to the land of promise, set us free from enslavement to division, disunity, and distrust in our public life and labor. Illumine those in authority with the light of vision. Christ, be our light

People: **Shine in our heart.**

Leader: You who patterned the stars and called the sun into being, who appointed the moon and chartered the cosmos, pattern the hearts of people everywhere to see in each other the beauty of the universe and the splendor of creation, that divisions of Race, Class, Gender, and Ethnicity may be recreated into one common humanity. Christ, be our light

People: **Shine in our heart.**

Leader: You who shower comfort and hope to the lowest, the lost, and the least, shower the light of compassion on the sick, the sorrowful, and the suffering, (especially ...) Please help us to be your compassion and hope in the world. Christ, be our light

People: **Shine in our heart.**

Leader: You who welcome into the brilliant light of eternity those who have died, (especially ...) welcome those whose lives have been cut short by violence, warfare, and strife. Shine the light of hope. Christ, be our light

People: **Shine in our heart.**

Leader: You who delight in the complexity and splendor of creation, help us to delight in the diversity of this earth, our island home. Inspire your people to care for all you have made. Christ, be our light

People: **Shine in our heart.**

Leader: We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation. (*Your intercessions and thanksgiving are invited either aloud or silently at this time*)

Leader: Hear us, Lord;

People: **For your mercy is great.**

Leader: We pray for those celebrating birthdays or anniversaries this week. (Especially...) We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We will exalt you, O God our King;

People: **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Celebrant: May Christ, the Morning Star who knows no setting, find us ever burning with the light of love, the spirit of truth, and the wellspring of hope. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

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.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Welcome and Announcements

THE CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Offertory Anthem: He Never Failed Me Yet – Robert Ray

Offertory Response: Praise God from whom all blessings flow – *Lasst uns erfreuen*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise him all creatures here below. Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

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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 every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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.

Sanctus S-125 – Holy, holy, holy

setting: Richard Proulx

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

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,

Celebrant and People

**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 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.

And now, as our Savior Christ has 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, forever and ever. AMEN.**

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem S-154

Alleluia! Christ our Passover

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

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Celebrant: Please join us in praying with our siblings in Christ who are with us online and receiving communion spiritually.

Dearest Lord Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. We love you above all things and long for you in our souls. Since we are not altogether in our church today to receive the bread and wine made holy, we ask you to come spiritually into our hearts. Fill us with your light and nourish us all with your word and Spirit. Amen.

The Distribution

All are welcome and invited to the altar rail for communion. If you need communion brought to your pew, please inform an usher. You may eat the bread and take a sip from the common cup, or you can dip the bread into the common cup. If you would like to receive a blessing instead, please cross your arms on your chest. If you are interested in being baptized, please contact the church office

Music at the Distribution

Solo Over My Head, I Hear Music in the Air – *African American Spiritual*

Hymn (see page 11 of this bulletin): There's a Spirit of Love in the Place

Post-Communion 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.

Prayer for the Burial of Alleluias

Let us pray together

Lord Jesus, it is our joy to sing and say "Alleluia" as a response to your conquering sin and death. Now, during the days of Lent, we say farewell to "Alleluia" so that we may take it up anew on Easter. Amen.

Blessing

Recessional Hymn No. LEVAS 221 This little light of mine – music: George F. Root

1. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
2. Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine,
Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine,
Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
3. Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine,
Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine,
Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Postlude Symphonie pour Orgue No. VI (Finale) – Charles-Marie Widor

Assisting with worship today:

The Parish Choir, Laurie Jones - Piano

Lexi Cerny and Bo Violette – Cantors Amanda Beagle, Nicholas Kafantaris & Eve McPherson - Soloists

Joe Yaksich & Gabriella Sandy – Trumpets, Tyler Husosky - Percussion

Jeffrey Heakin – Lector Karen Andrus – Lector/Chalice Faith Scarmuzzi – Prayers/Chalice

Linda and Peter Day - Greeters Dan Mason & ??? – Ushers

Kathy Hughes & Debbie Clary- Altar Guild

WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH!

We are happy to have you worship with us today! If you are a visitor or would like to know more about the life, work, and ministry of Christ Church, please fill out a "Connect Card" in the pew rack. The greeter in the Narthex will help you complete a "Connect Card". You can drop the completed card in the offering plate or give it to a member of our clergy or staff, an usher, or a Vestry member following the service. We are glad you are here!

WELCOME THE REV. DR. ROBIN R. WOODBERRY

It is with tremendous joy and excitement that we welcome Rev. Dr. Robin R. Woodberry as our new Rector beginning today. This has been an extensive process of over two years. We conducted a national search which led us to this place. She was unanimously recommended by the search committee and unanimously elected by the Vestry. We invite and encourage everyone to stay for a welcome luncheon, in the Parish Hall, immediately following the 10am worship service.

SPIRITUAL FORMATION FOR CHILDREN is held each week during 10 am worship service. We use the Montessori-based curriculum, Godly Play. Interested children (K-5) are welcomed to join in the procession. Children return to the Sanctuary during The Peace so they may join their families for Holy Eucharist.

RUMMAGE SALE

Steve Watts advised that rummage sale items can now be brought in and please place them near the handicap door near the parish hall. Rummage sale is April 4th from 8 til 5 and April 5th.from 9 to 3. If you are able to help please let Steve Watts or the office know about it. Keep bringing in your stuff!

LENT 2025

" I invite you...to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word."

- *Book of Common Prayer Ash Wednesday Service, page 265*

SHROVE TUESDAY: The Brotherhood will host our Annual Pancake Supper on this coming Tuesday, March 4, from 5-7pm. All are welcome...Invite a friend. There will be a free-will offering.



ASH WEDNESDAY liturgies will be held this coming Wednesday, March 5, at 10am and 5:30 pm in the Chapel. Please join us as we begin observing this holy season of Lent

SUNDAY EVENINGS IN LENT

5:30pm Light Supper in the Parish Hall
6:00pm Movie: THE CHOSEN
7:00pm Candlelight Compline in the Church with Choir and Instrumentalists
March 9 - Kirk Kupensky, harp
March 16 - Jamie Shiell, harpsichord
March 23 - Sarah Penney, oboe
March 30 - Richard Konzen, harpsichord
April 6 - Susanna Reilly, cello

WEEKLY WORKINGS AT CHRIST CHURCH

Sunday Mar 2	Worship 08:00 am (Holy Eucharist) Worship 10:00 am (Holy Eucharist) Luncheon to Welcome Rev. Dr. Woodberry 11:30 am Strings of Joy 1:30 pm Office Closed	Chapel Sanctuary Parish Hall Chapel
Monday Mar 3	Boy Scouts 5:00 pm Office Open 9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Parish Hall
Tuesday Mar 4	AA Meeting 6:00 pm Linda to deliver food/clothes to Lincoln 10:00 am Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm Office Open 9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Parish Hall Parish Hall
Wednesday Mar 5	Ash Wednesday Service 10:00 am Ash Wednesday Service 5:30 pm Deadline to submit Bulletin Announcements 12:00 pm Office Open 9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Chapel Chapel Office
Thursday Mar 6	Staff Meeting 10:00 am Cub Scouts 5:00 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm Parish Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm Office Open 9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Library Parish Hall Handbell Room Choir Room
Friday Mar 7	Office Closed	
Saturday Mar 8	Prayer Group Meeting 11:00 am Office Closed	Library

There's a Spirit of Love in This Place



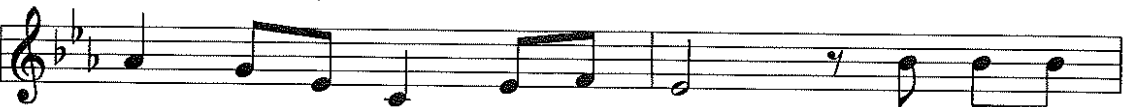
1. There's a spir - it of love in this place, there's a
 (2. There's the) pres - ence of peace in this room, there's the



spir - it of love in this place. You can't
 pres - ence of peace in this room. In God's



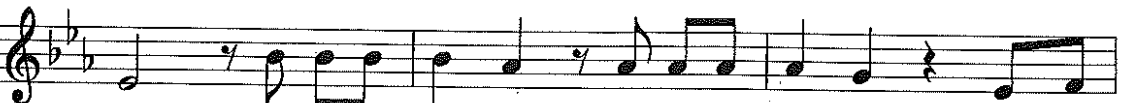
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spir - it of love in this place. O al - le -
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lu - ia, sing al - le - lu - ia! We bless your ho - ly

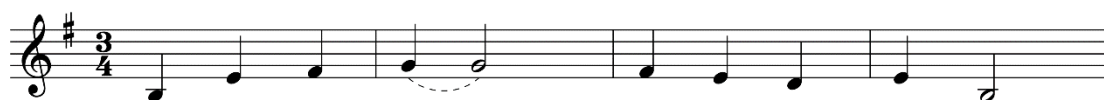


name. O al - le - lu - ia, sing al - le - lu - ia! There's a



spir - it of love in this place. 2. There's the place.

Christ, Be Our Light



1. Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness.
2. Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled.
3. Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry.
4. Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less.
5. Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple,



Long - ing for truth, we turn to you.
Long - ing for hope, man - y de - spair.
Long - ing for wa - ter, man - y still thirst.
Long - ing for warmth, man - y are cold.
man - y the hearts that yearn to be - long.



Make us your own, your ho - ly peo - ple,
Your word a - lone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your bread, bro - ken for oth - ers,
Make us your build - ing, shel - ter - ing oth - ers,
Let us be ser - vants to one an - oth - er,



light for the world to see.
Make us your liv - ing voice.
shared un - til all are fed.
walls made of liv - ing stone.
mak - ing your king - dom come.



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.



Shine through the dark - ness. Christ, be our light!



Shine in your church gath - ered to - day.

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