



The Cathedral of the Incarnation

Garden City, NY

18 January 2026 at 11:15 AM
Choral Mass

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

*Page numbers in this leaflet refer to the red **Book of Common Prayer (BCP)**. The Holy Eucharist Rite II begins on page 355 of the BCP. The hymns are sung from either the blue **Hymnal 1982** or the red & green hymnals, **Lift Every Voice and Sing**, found under the seats.*

VOLUNTARY: *There is a Balm in Gilead*

Daniel Ficcarì
(b. 1996)

The Processional Hymn is found in the red & green Hymnals, Lift Every Voice

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 12 IN LEVAS II

Marching to Zion

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY (*said by the presider*)

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.**

Following the Collect, the Choir sings the Hymn of Praise

HYMN OF PRAISE: *Come and let us worship God*

John Bell
(b. 1948)

Come and let us worship God, turn to serve the living Lord, move from where we are misled, do as ancient prophets said.

Oh, our ever loving God, we, the creatures of your Word, come to make our home in you, knowing that your Word is true.

Though society goes astray, keen to find an easier way let our eyes be on God's care evident and everywhere. *Oh, our ever loving God...*

Let us hear our Maker's voice, and let Christ inform each choice. Sister, brother, women, men: let us turn to God again. *Oh, our ever loving God...*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 49:1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The LORD called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God." And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength—he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred

by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 40

sung by the Choir/chant by Percy Whitlock

1 I waited patiently upon the Lord; *
he stooped to me and heard my cry.

2 He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay; *
he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure.

3 He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; *
many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the Lord.

4 Happy are they who trust in the Lord! *
they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.

5 Great things are they that you have done, O Lord my God!
how great your wonders and your plans for us! *
there is none who can be compared with you.

6 Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! *
but they are more than I can count.

9 In the roll of the book it is written concerning me: *
'I love to do your will, O my God; your law is deep in my heart.'"

10 I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; *
behold, I did not restrain my lips; and that, O Lord, you know.

THE EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He

will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN 106 IN LEVAS II

Precious Lord

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 1:29-42

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God." The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Very Reverend Canon Michael Sniffen, PhD.,
Dean of the Cathedral

THE NICENE CREED

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor Lord, hear us.

People **Lord, graciously hear us.**

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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 PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Kyiv Chant

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

AGNUS DEI, *Mass in E*

Marjorie Landsmark – DeLewis
(b. 1930)

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All baptized persons are invited to receive Holy Communion in the cathedral. Persons who do not wish to receive Communion may come forward and receive a blessing. If you would like to receive gluten-free Eucharist, please tell the priest when you come forward.

COMMUNION MOTET: *Hear my Prayer*

Moses Hogan
(1957 – 2003)

O Lord, please hear my prayer, in the mornin' when I rise.
 It's your servant bound for glory.
 O dear Lord, please hear my prayer.
 O Lord, please hear my prayer, keep me safe within your arms.
 It's your servant bound for glory.
 O dear Lord, please hear my prayer.
 When my work on earth is done, and you come to take me home.
 Just to know I'm bound for glory.

And to hear you say well done.
Done with sin and sorrow, have mercy. Amen.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER (said by ALL)

Presider Let us pray:

People **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.**

THE EPIPHANY BLESSING

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to 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.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN 599

Lift every voice

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY: Every time I feel the Spirit

Daniel Ficcarì

Announcements

Weekday Masses –Mass will be offered in the Cathedral at 12:00 Noon Tuesdays through Fridays.

Meditation and Contemplative Prayer – Mondays via zoom at 6:30pm see the Center for Spiritual Imagination website for links, as well as other upcoming events.

Basic Christian Formation Program – *Sundays at 10:15am at the Mercer School – begins today.* There is still room in this multi-week course to engage questions of faith from a Christian perspective in the Anglican tradition. Register on Realm.

Center Down with the Center for Spiritual Imagination – *Saturday, January 24* in the Cathedral.. Register on their website at spiritualimagination.org.

On Sunday, January 18, the masses are in memory of Emily Westermann by her mother, Elizabeth. “It is holy and wholesome to remember those who have died, for they are at rest in the arms of God.”

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord. Lord, have mercy.