



SAINT FRANCIS IN THE VALLEY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Green Valley, Arizona

The Rev. Canon Colville Smythe, Interim Rector
The Rev. Pamela W. Hyde, Assistant Rector

THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
3 March 2019

Rite Two, Eucharistic Prayer C
at 8 and 10 AM

ORGAN PRELUDE Malcolm Archer, b. 1952
A Thornbury Fanfare

OPENING HYMN 427
When morning gilds the skies

OPENING SENTENCES Prayer Book 355

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO Hymnal S280

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

THE FIRST READING

In our First Reading we hear how Moses' face shone after he had spoken with the Lord. A Reading from the Book of 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 command-

ment 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.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM (99)

(Please respond following the asterisk.)

- 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 in-
deed; * 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

In our Second Reading Paul celebrates the freedom and boldness that come to believers through Christ. A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the 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.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 137

O wondrous type! O vision fair

The Gospel: Luke 9:28-43

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.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON The Rev. Canon Colville Smythe

THE NICENE CREED Prayer Book 358

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Prayer Book 392

CONFESSION OF SIN Prayer Book 392

ABSOLUTION AND PEACE Prayer Book 360

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AT THE OFFERTORY J.S. Bach, 1685-1750

Jesu, joy of man's desiring, Holy wisdom, Love most bright, Drawn by thee, our souls aspiring, soar to uncreated light. Word of God our flesh that fashioned with the fire of life impassioned. Striving still to Truth unknown, soaring, dying round thy throne.

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

All things come of thee, O Lord,
and of thine own have we given thee.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Prayer Book 369

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS Hymnal S125

THE LORD'S PRAYER Prayer Book 364

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

AGNUS DEI Hymnal S161

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

On Receiving Communion: *You may stand or kneel at the rail to receive the Sacrament. (If you would like a gluten-free wafer, please let one of the clergy know.) If you do not wish to receive Communion you are invited to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest. Members of the Daughters of the King will be at the Chapel rail at both services to administer prayers for healing and thanksgiving. Please go to the Chapel rail after your Communion.*

PRAYER FOR THE SENDING FORTH OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS (to be said by all)

In the name of this congregation we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's body and blood. We, who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER Prayer Book 365

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN 618

Ye watchers and ye holy ones

THE DISMISSAL

ORGAN POSTLUDE Kenneth Leighton, 1929-88
Fanfare

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God in thanksgiving for Gerald, Michael, and the St. Francis Parish Choir for their beautiful music.

TODAY'S GOSPEL

Today's Gospel Reading is the story of Jesus' transfiguration. The narrative is richly woven with themes and symbols drawn from Israel's past and its hopes for the future. Moses and Elijah represent the law and the prophets whose promises Jesus fulfills. While Jesus is praying, divine glory is reflected in his human person. The chosen disciples hear a voice from the cloud declaring that this is God's beloved Son. The next day, having descended the mountain, Jesus' ministry continues with the dramatic healing of a boy subject to convulsions. All were astounded.



Our mission is to live as Christ's heart and hands in the world.

PARTICIPANTS AT 8 O'CLOCK

Preacher: The Rev. Canon Colville Smythe
Celebrant: The Rev. Canon Colville Smythe
Lector: Bill Wells
Prayers of the People: Harry Lyons
Acolyte: Norma Pool
Ushers: Linda & Dick Kosnick
Greeters: Rita Beil,
Doug Brozovsky,
Susan Davis
Organist: J. Michael Case
Sound Technician: Marie LeRoy

PARTICIPANTS AT 10 O'CLOCK

Preacher: The Rev. Canon Colville Smythe
Celebrant: The Rev. Pamela W. Hyde
Lector: John Smith
Prayers of the People: Stephen Schwarzmann
Crucifer: Frank Anderson
Acolyte: Glenn Matto
Ushers: Fred & Kathleen Keller
Greeters: Louise Hursh,
Ginny & Chris Arundell
Organist: J. Michael Case
Sound Technician: Craig Jones

We extend a warm welcome to our guests and visitors and we are delighted to have you worship with us. Our Communion Table is open to all baptized Christians. Please join us for refreshments in the Parish Hall after the service, and please complete the Visitor's Card found in the pew racks and place it in an Offering Basket or hand it to an Usher or Greeter after the service.

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Sextons

Office Hours: Monday – Thursday

8 AM – 2 PM

THE VESTRY

Wayne North, Senior Warden; Julie Reppenhagen, Junior Warden;
Mary Beth Bates, David Dunn, Sandy Eckstein, Larry Howell, Orji Isiogu,
Jenica Hisko, Larry Bear, Helen Mullaly, Cheryl Tardy-Albin;
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