



Saint Matthias
ANGLICAN CHURCH

Worshipping Jesus Christ, Living in His Truth, & Blessing others in His Name.

The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany
Sunday, February 1, 2026
Holy Eucharist - 9:30 a.m.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: "Immortal, Invisible"

Hymnal 423



1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3 To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry, thou rul - est in light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble. hid from our eyes,
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
we blos - som and flour - ish, like leaves on the tree,
all laud we would ren - der: O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - tor - ious, thy great Name we praise.
thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
then with - er and per - ish; but nought chan - geth thee.
'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

OPENING ACCLAMATION: FOR EPIPHANY

Book of Common Prayer p. 145

Celebrant
People

I will make you as a light for the nations,
That my salvation may reach to the end of the earth

WELCOME

Fr John Roberts, Rector

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Celebrant prays (and the People may be invited to join)

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.**

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Then follows the Summary of the Law,

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets. MATTHEW 22:37-40^T

THE KYRIE

The Celebrant and people pray

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE TRISAGION

or this

Holy God,

Holy and Mighty,

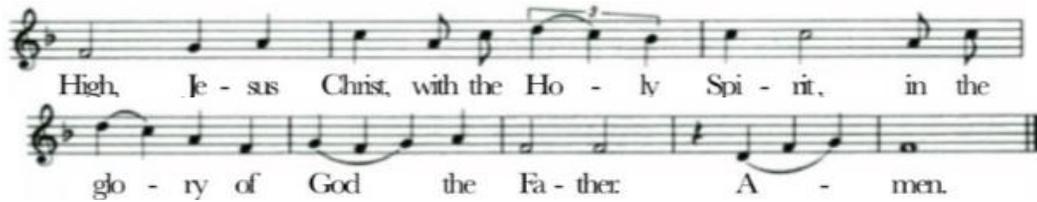
Holy Immortal One,

Have mercy upon us.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

BCP 591-592

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
 King al - might - y God and Fa - ther; we wor - ship you, we
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther; Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
 take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most



COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Celebrant says to the People

The Lord be with you

People **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you know that we are set in the midst of many grave dangers, and because of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: Grant that your strength and protection may support us in all dangers and carry us through every temptation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING: Isaiah 2:1-5

New International Version

¹ This is what Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem:

² In the last days the mountain of the Lord's temple will be established as the highest of the mountains; it will be exalted above the hills, and all nations will stream to it.

³ Many peoples will come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the temple of the God of Jacob. He will teach us his ways, so that we may walk in his paths." The law will go out from Zion, the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. ⁴ He will judge between the nations and will settle disputes for many peoples. They will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war anymore.

⁵ Come, descendants of Jacob, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 27

The New Coverdale Psalter - BCP 2019

¹ The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? *

The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?

² **When the wicked, even my enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh, * they stumbled and fell.**

³ Though a host were encamped against me, yet my heart would not be afraid, * and though war rose up against me, yet would I put my trust in him.

⁴ **One thing have I desired of the Lord; one thing I seek: * that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,**

⁵ To behold the fair beauty of the Lord, * and to seek him in his temple.

⁶ For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his tabernacle; *

indeed, in the secret place of his dwelling he shall hide me, and set me high upon a rock of stone.

⁷ And now he shall lift up my head *

above my enemies round about me.

**⁸ Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with great gladness; *
I will sing and speak praises unto the Lord.**

⁹ Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I cry unto you; *
have mercy upon me and hear me.

**¹⁰ You speak to my heart and say, "Seek my face." *
Your face, O Lord, will I seek.**

¹¹ O hide not your face from me, *
nor cast your servant away in displeasure.

**¹² You have been my helper; *
leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.**

¹³ When my father and my mother forsake me, *
the Lord takes me in.

**¹⁴ Teach me your way, O Lord, *
and lead me in the right way, because of my enemies.**

¹⁵ Deliver me not over to the will of my adversaries, *
for there are false witnesses who have risen up against me, and those who speak wrong.

**¹⁶ I would utterly have fainted, *
had I not believed that I would see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.**

¹⁷ O wait for the LORD; be strong, and he shall comfort your heart. *
O put your trust in the LORD.

THE SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 2:1-16

New International Version

¹ And so it was with me, brothers and sisters. When I came to you, I did not come with eloquence or human wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. ² For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³ I came to you in weakness with great fear and trembling. ⁴ My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, ⁵ so that your faith might not rest on human wisdom, but on God's power.

⁶ We do, however, speak a message of wisdom among the mature, but not the wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are coming to nothing. ⁷ No, we declare God's wisdom, a mystery that has been hidden and that God destined for our glory before time began. ⁸ None of the rulers of this age understood it, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹ However, as it is written:

"What no eye has seen,
what no ear has heard,
and what no human mind has conceived"—
the things God has prepared for those who love him—

¹⁰ these are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit.

The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. ¹¹ For who knows a person's thoughts except their own spirit within them? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. ¹² What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us. ¹³ This is what we speak, not in words taught us by human wisdom but in words taught by the Spirit, explaining spiritual realities with Spirit-taught words. ¹⁴ The person without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God but considers them foolishness, and cannot understand them because they are discerned only through the Spirit. ¹⁵ The person with the Spirit makes judgments about all things, but such a person is not subject to merely human judgments, ¹⁶ for,

"Who has known the mind of the Lord
so as to instruct him?"

But we have the mind of Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN: "How Firm a Foundation"

Hymnal 636

1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,
 2 "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dis - mayed!
 3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,
 4 "When through fier - y tri - als thy path - way shall lie,

1 is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word!
 2 For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
 3 the riv - ers of woe shall not thee o - ver - flow;
 4 my grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;

1 What more can he say than to you he hath said,
 2 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
 3 for I will be with thee, thy trou - bles to bless,
 4 the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign

1 to you that for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
 2 up - held by my right - eous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
 3 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.
 4 thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 5:13-20

New International Version

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

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹³ (Jesus said,) "You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

¹⁴ "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

¹⁷ "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. ¹⁸ For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished. ¹⁹ Therefore anyone who sets aside one of the least of these commands and teaches others accordingly will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever practices and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰ For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

GRADUAL HYMN (Continued)

5. "The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose / I will not, I will not desert to its foes / that soul, though all hell shall endeavor to shake / I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."

THE NICENE CREED

On Sundays, other Major Feast Days, and other times as appointed, all stand to recite the Nicene Creed, the Celebrant first saying

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

Celebrant and People

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten 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,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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],[†]
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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.**

SERMON

Fr John Roberts, Rector

RESPONSE HYMN: "We Are A Second Family"

Lyrics: Carolyn Gillette; Tune: "The Church's One Foundation"

1. We are a second family, made one in Jesus Christ. / As sisters and as brothers, we share a common life. / By love we're bound together; we welcome and forgive. / We love and serve each other; in Christ, we humbly live.
2. We're focused on God's mission to make disciples here; / We're growing and we're serving; we

trust that God is near. / We're worshiping and learning, we're gathering to pray, / We're caring and connecting to share God's loving Way.

3. Sometimes we are reluctant to be made fully new; / Yet God seeks transformation and makes a promise, too: / While we expect small changes that will improve our lives; / Our God is in the business of making butterflies.

4. We're looking toward the future, and listening to God's truth; / We see our Lord inspiring our children and our youth; / May we see gifts they offer and help them grow to be / New leaders, with new vision, for God's community.

5. We are a ship that's sailing out from a sheltered place; / There's safety in the harbor, but we go by God's grace. / We venture where God calls us, to waters deep, unknown. / The Spirit's winds are blowing; we trust in God alone.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Deacon or other person appointed says these prayers, or the Prayers of the People in the Anglican Standard Text.

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world, saying, "hear our prayer."

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Reader Lord, in your mercy.

People **Hear our prayer.**

For N., our Archbishop, and N., our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of our Diocese and Congregation.

Reader Lord, in your mercy.

People **Hear our prayer**

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others.

Reader Lord, in your mercy.

People **Hear our prayer.**

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

Reader Lord, in your mercy.

People **Hear our prayer.**

For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service [especially _____].

Reader Lord, in your mercy.

People **Hear our prayer.**

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity [especially _____].

Reader Lord, in your mercy.

People **Hear our prayer.**

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, [especially _____], in thanksgiving let us pray.

Reader Lord, in your mercy.

People **Hear our prayer.**

[Anglican cycle of prayer]

Additional petitions may be added, and thanksgivings may be invited, at this time either silently or aloud.

The Celebrant concludes with the following prayer

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

The Deacon or other person appointed says the following

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Silence

The Deacon and People kneel as able and pray

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 Bishop or Priest stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

The Celebrant may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

MATTHEW 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

JOHN 3:16^T

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

1 TIMOTHY 1:15

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

1 JOHN 2:1-2

THE PEACE

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

The Ministers and People may greet those gathered in the name of the Lord.

THE OFFERTORY

The Celebrant may begin the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture (BCP 149-151).

Celebrant



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

Here a Proper Preface (pages 152-158) is normally sung or said

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

THE SANCTUS

Celebrant and People will sing



Ho-ly ho-ly ho-ly Lord. God of power and might.

Ho-ly ho-ly ho-ly Lord. God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Ho-

san-na in the high-est. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord Ho-

san-na in the high-est. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

The People kneel as able. The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he

stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it, and here may break the bread; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing the wine to be consecrated.*

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it,* and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Celebrant then says

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

Celebrant and People together 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

forever and ever. Amen.

THE FRACTION

*If the consecrated Bread was not broken earlier, the Celebrant breaks it now. A period of silence is kept.
Then may be sung or said*

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Celebrant and People together may say

**We do not presume to come to this, your table, O merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your abundant and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table;
but you are the same Lord, whose character is always to have mercy.
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

THE AGNUS DEI

The following or some other suitable anthem may be sung or said here

Je- sus, Lamb of God: have mer- cy on us

Je- sus, bear-er of our sins have mer- cy on us

Je- sus, re- deem-er; re- deem-er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

Facing the People, the Celebrant may say the following invitation

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.]

or this

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

JOHN 1:29†, REVELATION 19:9

The Ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds...

Who Can Receive Holy Communion?

All persons who have been baptized in the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, are repentant of their sins, and are living in charity with their neighbor are welcome to receive Holy Communion at this altar. We welcome all others to come to the altar and receive of prayer of blessing. Please signify you would like to receive a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest at the rail.

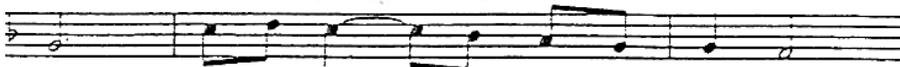
COMMUNION HYMN: "Bless The Lord My Soul"

Bless the Lord my soul / and Bless God's holy name. / Bless the Lord my soul. / Who leads me into light. (6x)

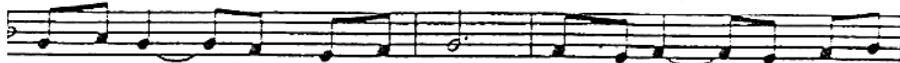
"Gathered Now"



1. Gath-ered now a cho-sen peo-ple, Called from dark-ness in-to
2. Gath-ered now from ev-'ry cor-ner, Gath-ered now the weak and
3. Gath-ered now a-round one ta-ble, Gath-ered in— our sav-ing



light; Bring-ing praise— and glad thanks - giv - ing,
strong, Gath-ered those— who thirst for jus - tice,
Lord; We be - come— the gifts we of - fer:



We be-hold— the Lord of life. In the Word from the be -
Gath-ered those— whose pain goes on. In this place— there are no
bread of life— and cup out-poured, Gath-ered here— we are one



gin-ning, In the food— and drink we share, In our joy—
stran-gers; All are blest— and called by name. In the dy -
bod - y; Gath-ered here— we are one blood, Called to serve



— and in our griev-ing, We be - lieve— that Christ is there.
— ing and the ris - ing, Ho - ly peo - ple we re - main.
— our ris - en Sav - ior, Called to live— God's word of love.

"We Bring God's Holy Love"

1. We bring God's gift of love to the world (x2) / To fulfill the command / that we walk now hand in hand / We bring God's ho--ly love.
2. We bring God's gift of truth to the world (x2) / Every evil to crush / from this world God made for us / We bring God's ho--ly truth.
3. We bring God's gift of joy to the world (x2) / That the kingdom may come / and God's will be ever done / We bring God's ho--ly joy.
4. We bring God's gift of hope to the world (x2) / To befriend the distressed / and delivered the oppressed / We bring God's ho--ly hope

5. We bring God's gift of peace to the world (x2) / Our good works to extend / so all wars forever end / We bring God's ho--ly peace.

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

Hymnal 383

1. Fairest Lord Jesus / Ruler of all nature / O Thou of God and man the Son / Thee will I cherish / Thee will I honor / Thou my soul's glory joy and crown

2. Fair are the meadows / fairer still the woodlands / Robed in the blooming garb of spring / Jesus is fairer / Jesus is purer / Who makes the woeful heart to sing

3. Fair is the sunshine / fairer still the moonlight / And all the twinkling starry host / Jesus shines brighter / Jesus shines purer / Than all the angels heav'n can boast

4. Beautiful Saviour / Lord of all the nations / Son of God and Son of Man / Glory and honor / praise adoration / Now and forevermore be Thine

"I Want to Walk As A Child of the Light"

Hymnal 490

1. I want to walk as a child of the light / I want to follow Jesus / God sent the stars to give light to the world / The star of my life is Jesus

Refrain: In Him, there is no darkness at all / The night and the da-y are both alike / The Lamb is the light of the ci-ty of God / Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

2. I want to see the brightness of God / I want to look at Jesus / Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path / And show me the way to the Father. [Refrain]

3. I'm looking for the coming of Christ / I want to be with Jesus / When we have run with patience the race / We shall know the joy of Jesus. [Refrain]

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

BCP 677

Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to possess you within my soul. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, together with all your faithful people [gathered around every altar of your Church], and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People together say the following, or the Post Communion prayer in the Anglican Standard Text

Heavenly Father,
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 forever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

BCP 137

The Priest gives the following blessing

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Saint Matthias News

Following worship **today**, we will hold our **Annual Parish Meeting** in the Church, which will include an election of three new Vestry Members and three Delegates to Diocesan Convention, a review of the financial statement of the parish & the 2026 budget, and some one-minute ministry updates. There will be an approximately 15 minute break between the conclusion of worship and the beginning of the meeting, when you can gather & grab refreshments in the courtyard and narthex. The meeting will viewable on zoom. The Zoom feed of the meeting will also be viewable in the Parish Hall for parents whose children would be more comfortable there. The meeting agenda and a link to online voting can be found at www.saintmatthiasoakdale.com/annualmeeting

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The **minutes** from the **Vestry's** 1-22-26 meeting are now posted on the following password-protected page on our website: www.saintmatthiasoakdale.com/vestryminutes password: John17-3

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Shrove Tuesday **Raffle Donations** can be dropped off in **the LARGE RED BOX** in the Parish Hall.

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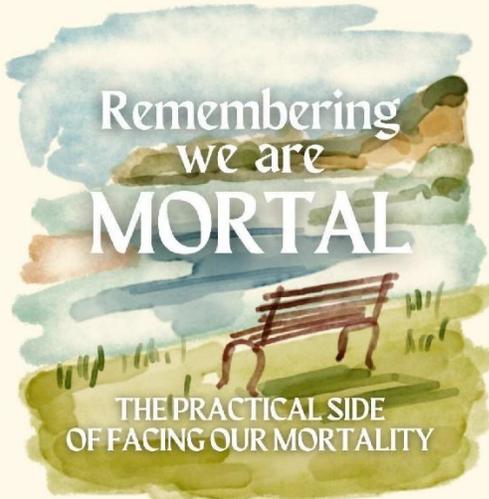
2025 parishioner giving statements HAVE BEEN EMAILED OUT to all givers. If you would like a physical copy, they are available upon request from Treasurer Traci Yazembiak,

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Ash Wednesday Services



February 18 th	12:00 Noon & 6:00 p.m.
Live Stream for both services	Kids' Chapel at 6:00pm



Including presentations on financial planning, wills & trusts, hospice, mortuary services, funeral planning, the grief journey, and more

The Five Wednesdays of Lent

February 25 – March 25

6:00pm to 7:15pm*

*Childcare and Kids program provided;

This year's theme is prayer

You're also invited to join for
Soup Suppers at 5:20pm
 & **Stations of the Cross at 5:00pm**

Open to the public
 Register in the Narthex or at
www.saintmatthiasoakdale.com/lent

Designed by Elizabeth Wight



St. Matthias Anglican Church
 Cordially invites
 You and Your Family to Our

**Shrove Tuesday Dinner
 & Raffle**

February 17, 2026

6:00 p.m.

101 S 1st Ave
 Oakdale, Ca

R.S.V.P. by February 8-2026.
 Sign-up in Narthex or online at QR Code



We are accepting Raffle Donation – Please contact Traci Y or Fr. John if you have Raffle Donations.



This Week at Saint Matthias

- Today - Annual Meeting - following Worship
- Monday - Kairos Group - 3:00pm
- Tuesday - Kairos Group - 7:00pm
- Wednesday - Life Group - 10:00am
- Thursday - Life Group - 10:00am
- Next Sunday - ACW Meeting - 11:30am

...AND BEYOND

- Monday, February 9 - Vestry Meeting 6:30pm
- Tuesday, Feb. 17 - Shrove Tuesday Dinner - 6:00pm
- Wednesday, Feb. 18 - Ash Wednesday - 12 Noon & 6:00pm
TIME CHANGED ↑
- Sunday, February 22 - Honored Woman Celebration
- Wednesdays 2/25-3/25 - Lenten Wednesdays for adults & children in the Evening
- March 29 - April 5 - Holy Week
- Thursday, June 25 - St Matthias Night @ Ripon Farmer's Mkt

RECESSIONAL HYMN: "Arise Your Light is Come!"

Tune: Festal Song ("Rise Up Ye Saints of God")

1 A - rise, your light is come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;
 2 A - rise, your light is come! Fling wide the pris - on door;
 3 A - rise, your light is come! All you in sor - row born,
 4 A - rise, your light is come! The moun - tains burst in song!



show forth the glo - ry of your God, which shines on you to - day.
 pro - claim the cap - tives' lib - er - ty, good ti - dings to the poor.
 bind up the bro - ken - heart - ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.
 Rise up like ea - gles on the wing; God's power will make us strong.

THE DISMISSAL

The Deacon, or the Priest, may dismiss the people with these words, omitting Alleluia during Lent and on other penitential occasions.

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ! Alleluia, alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Musical Settings are modified from the 1982 Hymnal. The Gloria in Excelsis (S-280) by Robert Powell, the Doxology (380, v.3) by Isaac Watts, the Sursum Corda (S-120) by James McGregor, the Sanctus (S-130) and the Agnus Dei (S-164) by Franz Peter Schubert.

"Renewed Ancient Text"

Adapted from the *The Book of Common Prayer, 2019* of The Anglican Church in North America

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