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THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

January 29th, 2023

11:00 a.m.

A PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Almighty and eternal God, so draw our hearts to you, so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, so control our wills, that we may be wholly yours, utterly dedicated unto you; and then use us, we pray, as you will, and always to your glory and the welfare of your people; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

ORDER OF SERVICE

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: *Kyrie, Gott heiliger Geist* BWV 671

J. S. Bach
(1685-1750)

WELCOME

HYMN: 657, "Love divine, all loves excelling"

HYFRYDOL

THE WORD OF GOD

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

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY *Said by all*

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.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *Sung by all*

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

High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully 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.**

All are invited to be seated.

FIRST READING: 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?

The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: 15 *Sung by the choir*

John Goss
(1800-1880)

Domine, quis habitabit?

- 1 Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? *
 who may abide upon your holy hill?
- 2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, *
 who speaks the truth from his heart.
- 3 There is no guile upon his tongue;
 he does no evil to his friend; *
 he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.
- 4 In his sight the wicked is rejected, *
 but he honors those who fear the Lord.
- 5 He has sworn to do no wrong *
 and does not take back his word.
- 6 He does not give his money in hope of gain, *
 nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.
- 7 Whoever does these things *
 shall never be overthrown.

SECOND READING: 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."

The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN: 711, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God"

SEEK YE FIRST

GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12

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

All **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.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

The Rev. Canon Stephanie Spellers

*Canon to the Presiding Bishop
for Evangelism, Reconciliation, and Creation Care*

Silence for reflection.

All are invited to stand, as able.

NICENE CREED *Said by all*

**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,**

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and 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,
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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM VI

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Mark, our Bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For our discernment team and vestry, that they may wisely discern the person most apt to lead our Cathedral community as our next Pastor and Dean;

For all whose lives are connected to this Cathedral, near and far.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

All may offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

All may add their own thanksgivings, either silently or aloud.

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

All may add their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence.

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.
All **And also with you.**

All may greet one another in the Name of Christ.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please continue to support the Cathedral in this time of need.
*If you wish to give by **card**, please scan this QR code or visit amcathparis.com/donate. If you wish to give in **cash or check** today, please place your offering in the envelope in your pew and leave the envelope in an offering plate on your way out.*



CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

Christian Martel de Créquy

HOLY COMMUNION

ANTHEM: *Walk humbly with your God*

Malcolm Archer
(b. 1953)

He has shown you what is good. And what does the Lord require of you?
To act justly, to love mercy, to walk humbly with your God. Amen
[Text: this morning's Old Testament reading from Micah 6:8]

AT THE PRESENTATION *Sung by all*

PUER NOBIS



On you may all your peo - ple feed, and know you are - the Bread in - deed, who
To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit, Three in One, be
gives e - ter - nal life to those that with you died, and with you rose.
ho - nor, praise, and glo - ry giv'n, by all on earth, and all in heav'n.

GREAT THANKSGIVING (Eucharistic Prayer 1, from *Enriching Our Worship*)

All are invited to stand, as able.

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 God thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS *Sung by all*

Calvin Hampton

(1938-1984)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
 pow - er and might, — hea - ven and earth are full of your
 glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high -
 est. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. —

Celebrant

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

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

LORD'S PRAYER *Said by each in their own language*

**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.**

**Notre Père qui es aux cieux,
que ton Nom soit sanctifié,
que ton règne vienne,
que ta volonté soit faite
sur la terre comme au ciel.
Donne-nous aujourd'hui notre pain de ce jour.
Pardonne-nous nos offenses
comme nous pardonnons aussi
à ceux qui nous ont offensés.
Et ne nous laisse pas entrer en tentation,
mais délivre-nous du mal.
Car c'est à toi qu'appartiennent le règne,
la puissance et la gloire,
pour les siècles des siècles. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

AT THE FRACTION

Christ our Passover, Gerald Near
(b. 1942)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
sac - ri - ficed for us; There-fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Celebrant

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.

COMMUNION

L'hospitalité eucharistique est offerte à toute personne, quelle que soit sa confession ecclésiale.

*All are welcome to share in the Eucharist, the feast of the Lord's Supper. Communion will be administered today in front of the altar rail. **Please follow the directions of the ushers.***

You are invited to stand to receive communion. Please receive the bread (wafer) in the palm of your outstretched hands. In accordance with current guidelines provided by the Bishop, we are offering wine at communion. You are invited to take a small sip; please do not dip your wafer in the wine.

Please inform an usher if you need communion brought to your pew.

This is a big city and we are concerned about theft; please take your coat, purse, and other belongings with you as you leave the pew.

PRAYER FOR PRIVATE DEVOTION DURING COMMUNION

Lord Jesus, you give us yourself in the bread and wine of communion that becomes your Body and Blood. Grant that we may receive you spiritually today into our hearts, minds and souls, and that we may have confidence in your promise to be with us always. Amen.

ANTHEMS:

Christ has no body now but yours

David Ogden
(b. 1966)

Christ has no body now but yours, no hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes with which he sees, yours are the feet with which he walks, yours are the hands with which he blesses all the world. Yours are the hands. Yours are the feet. Yours are the eyes.
[Text: Teresa of Avila (1515–1582)]

Beati mundo corde

William Byrd
(1540-1623)

Sung by the Choir in Latin

Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.
Blessed are the peacemakers: 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.

[Text: from this morning's Gospel according to Matthew 5:8-10]

HYMN: 656, "Blest are the pure in heart"

FRANCONIA

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

All are invited to stand, as able.

HYMN: 556, "Rejoice, ye pure in heart"

MARION

VERSES 1-5

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

All **Thanks be to God.**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: *Fugue in A minor* BWV 543ii

J. S. Bach
(1685-1750)

Please refrain from entering the Chapel of St. Paul the Traveler until the end of the voluntary. The service is being broadcast live, and the chapel is a production space.

SERVING TODAY: *Celebrant:* The Rev. Timothy B. Safford; *Preacher:* The Rev. Canon Stephanie Spellers; *Canon for Music:* Zachary Ullery; *Organist:* George Nicholls; *Choir:* The Cathedral Choir; *Lectors:* Francie Seder, Bill Tompson; *Acolytes:* Constantin Martel de Créquy, Christian Martel de Créquy, Thomas-Xavier Martin, Andrew Kluetz; *Ministers of Communion:* Barbara Diggs, Michel Ranson, Thomas Girty; *Flower Guild:* Monica Dunham; *Sunday School:* Emily York, Elizabeth Defaye, Charles Saba; *Ushers:* Xavier Chanay, Sophie Lefebvre, Seth Hinkley; *Production:* Gaël de Fournas.

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Prayer List

We pray for those in need of healing, who are in grief, or have any special needs, especially Kate, Nicolas, Melissa, Jeremy, Françoise, Eleanor, David; and for those who have died, especially Boynton Rawlings, James, Jonathan, Pham Thi Tram, Gabrielle Louise Marie, Germinihilda Bearniza, Lilibeth Bearniza; and for all those affected by COVID-19.

Prayer requests may be sent to us at: communications@americancathedral.org We will offer them to God at our daily service of Noonday Prayer.

Welcome!

Welcome to The American Cathedral in Paris. We are so glad you're with us. Whether in person or online, for a short time or a lifetime, sure in faith or full of doubt, you belong here. Building on our past and our journey towards inclusion, we strive to create a future of faith, love, and charity. Let's do it together. Give us a call, send an email, or find us at coffee hour—we can't wait to get to know you.

Contact information for the clergy and staff can be found at amcathparis.com/leadership.

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Coming Up

Sunday, January 29th at 3:00 p.m.

Les Dimanches Musicaux: Juliana Laska and Florence Ribot

A fully-Beethoven program with Juliana Laska, cello, and Florence Ribot, piano. Join us for LAGV's popular concert series, created to showcase talented musicians.

Entrance is free. Donations, which go towards supporting the Music Program at the Cathedral, are gratefully accepted. To see the full program detail and bios of the musicians, please visit LAGV.org

Wednesday, February 1st at 11:00 a.m.

Funeral Service for Loïc Guguen

De Akiki, son épouse, et Nicolas, Emilie, et Alice, ses enfants : on a la douleur de vous faire part du décès de Loïc Guguen, survenu le 20 janvier 2023. Ses obsèques se déroulent le mercredi 1er février à 11h en l'église Saint-Eustache (Paris 1er). Ses ami/e/s qui souhaitent se joindre au chœur sont les bienvenu/e/s à partir de 9h30 pour la répétition dans l'église. En mémoire de Loïc et pour aider sa famille, vous avez la possibilité de faire un don sur : <http://www.onparticipe.fr/cagnottes/BhgM4AJR>

Mondays at 2:00 p.m.
Les Tricoteuses (Knitting Group)

This bilingual group of knitters (and crocheters and sewers) is composed of members of The American Church and The American Cathedral. We meet on Monday afternoons from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., in the Fleetwood Room of the Cathedral. All are welcome, including non-knitters and beginners, whom we will teach. For more information, contact Susan Grieg at susanmgreig@gmail.com.

Le samedi à 17h30
Célébration eucharistique en français

La Mission Episcopale Francophone de la Résurrection (une mission de la Convocation) vous invite à participer en présentiel (ou sur Facebook) à cette célébration en français, dans la tradition épiscopale/anglicane avec orgue et chants. Contact: le révérend Jean Dumond Chavanne pretre-en-charge.mefr@tec-europe.org

Our Search for a New Dean

The members of the Discernment Team continue to review applicants. Let us pray together for Sophie, Mark, Jacques, Barbara, Jeanne, Audrey, Adrien, Andy, and Mary, as they undertake this work.

O God, you made us in your image and ceaselessly call us to be in your resemblance: grant us courage and inspiration every day to remain faithful to you and to your Word. Seven days a week, may we proclaim, through our actions and in our words, your love of everything that breathes on this Earth. Since among the believers, you have called some to serve you, the world, and the Church in special ministries, we pray: Open our ears, our eyes and hearts that we may wisely discern the person most apt to lead our Cathedral community as our next Pastor and Dean. Amen.

Support Us

A Call to Give, A Call to Shape Make a Pledge for 2023

The Cathedral enriches our lives and the community around us in many ways, but the Cathedral and everything in it depends on the efforts of members like you, including financial support in the form of pledges. **To fill out a pledge card, scan this QR code, find the pledge card in your pew, or visit amcathparis.com/pledge.**



Support Music at the Cathedral via Les Arts George V

Les Arts George V (LAGV) supports the music at the Cathedral in many ways: among them **hosting Les Dimanches Musicaux (LDM) and encouraging sponsorships and donations**. Half the proceeds of LDM go to the Cathedral music program. For sponsorships and donations, remember that in France, while LAGV receives 100% of your gift, you will receive 66% as a deduction on your income tax.



To volunteer for hosting, contact Kate Woodman at catherine_woodman@yahoo.com. Visit lagv.org/dimanches-musicaux to see our upcoming concert schedule.

To give, visit lagv.org/support-lagv or scan QR code above. For questions about sponsorship and donations, contact Kate Thweatt at thweatt@noos.fr.

Three Things to Know

This Sunday marks the **conclusion to our Annual Appeal**. If you have not already, please take a moment to **fill out an online pledge card**—please do so by January 31st. During these challenging times, your loving commitment sustains our mission with courage, joy and grace. Payments may be made throughout the year. **Visit amcathparis.com/pledge**.

Join us for a **Choral Evensong for Candlemas (Chandeleur), Thursday February 2nd, at 7:30 p.m.** Join us in person or online.

Save the date! March 24th-27th we'll be celebrating 100 years of being a Cathedral, with Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Archbishop of York Stephen Cottrell, and friends and family from around the convocation in attendance. Don't miss this historic weekend! More information coming soon.

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