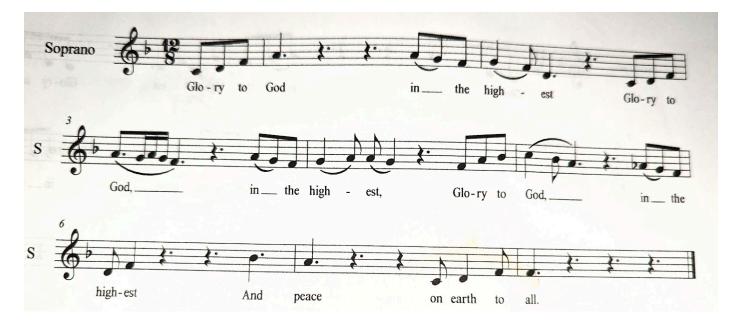


The Last Sunday after Epiphany Sung Mass + 10:30 am St. Martin's Episcopal Church, Bridgewater, NJ

Please stand to sing When Morning Gilds the Skies vv. 1-3

Blue Hymnal, 427

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.



The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray.

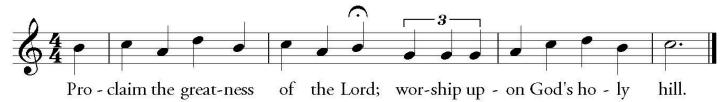
O God, who before the passion of your only begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### A Reading from Exodus

#### (*Please be seated*)

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

### Psalm 99



The Lord is King; let the people tremble; \*

he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.

The Lord is great in Zion; \* He is high above all peoples.

Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; he is the Holy One.

"O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; \*

you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob." Antiphon

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and fall down before his footstool; \* He is the Holy One.

- Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.
- He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; \*

they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.

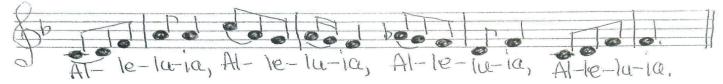
- O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; \* you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.
- Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and worship him upon his holy hill; \* for the Lord our God is the Holy One. Antiphon

#### A Reading from the Epistle to the 2 Corinthians

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

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

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V: From the Shining Light the Father's voice was heard: This is my beloved Son, listen to him.

#### The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

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. The Gospel of the Lord.

| The Homily                       |                 |
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| The Nicene Creed                 | BCP, <b>358</b> |
| The Prayers of the People        | BCP, <b>387</b> |
| Confession of Sin and Absolution | BCP, <b>360</b> |

# The Peace and Announcements

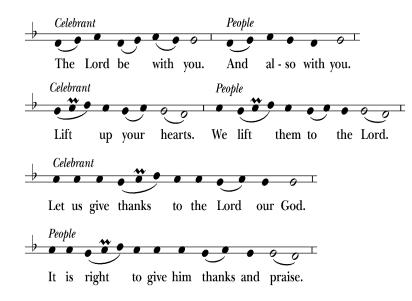
### Offertory Choir Anthem Come Gracious Spirit

Come, Gracious Spirit, heav'nly Dove, with light and comfort from above Be thou our guardian, thou our guide o'er ev'ry thought and step preside. The light of truth to us display, and make us know and choose thy way, Plant holy fear in ev'ry heart, that we from thee may ne'er depart. Lead us to Christ, the living Way, nor let us from his pastures stray, Lead us to holiness, the road that we must take to dwell with God. Lead us to heav'n, that we may share fullness of joy for ever there, Lead us to God, our final rest, to be with him forever blessed.

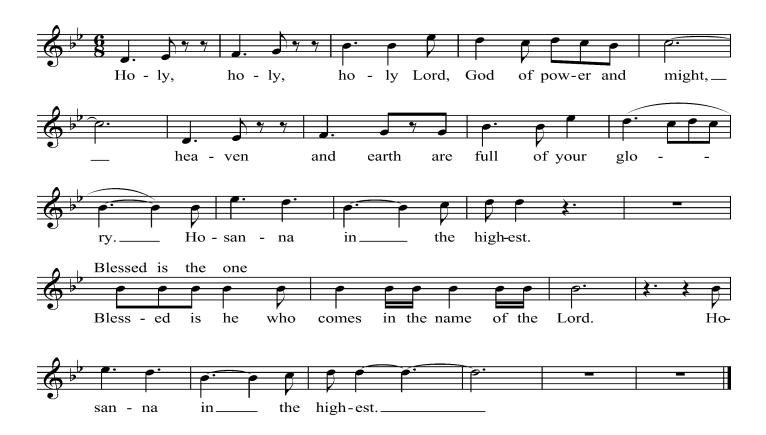
### Please stand to sing Offertory Hymn O Wondrous Type!

### Blue Hymnal, 137

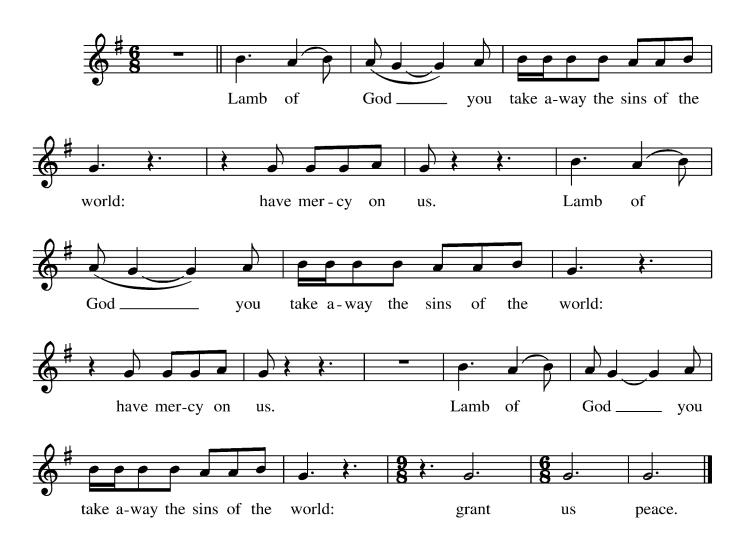
**Priest:** Redeeming God, in Christ there has sprung up a light for the righteous; accept the gifts we bring before you and grant that Christ may shine in us to the praise and glory of your name. Amen.



It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, 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 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 Eucharistic Prayer continues in the *Book of Common Prayer*, page 368 The Lord's Prayer *BCP*, 364 The Fraction and Lamb of God



Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are they who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.

### **The Holy Communion**

All are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. You may kneel or stand, you may receive the bread and the wine, or simply the bread. If you prefer a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest. **Communion Hymns** 



in endless alleluia.

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#### Christ upon the Mountain Peak

#### Post Communion Prayer (Please kneel or stand)

Blue Hymnal, 129

BCP, 365

#### Farewell to the Alleluia

Priest: We are an Easter People. Alleluia! Alleluia! *People: And Alleluia is our song. Alleluia! Alleluia!* 

Priest: The author of Ecclesiastes writes:

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven. A time to be born and a time to die. A time to plant and a time to pluck up what is planted. A time to break down and a time to build up. A time to weep and a time to laugh. A time to mourn and a time to dance. A time to keep silence and a time to speak. As a sign of our repentance, we now say Farewell to the Alleluia until our rejoicing at the resurrection of our Lord when we shout Alleluias at the Great Easter Vigil.

#### Blessing and Dismissal Closing Hymn: Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones vv. 1-4

Hymnal 1982, 618

### **Serving Today**

Thurifer: Fausto Beleno Crucifer: Nick Persson Lector: Anna Conti Eucharistic Minister: Jennifer Conti Ushers: David Persson and Vic Haddad Choir: Beth Hixenbaugh, Alison Jandak, Jane Maloney, Rob Vernon Organist: Kathy Shanklin Celebrant: Father Rob Laws +

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

# Ash Wednesday March 05 Sung Mass with Imposition of Ashes 7 pm

Remember Ash Wednesday is a FAST day for those in good health. A fast means one full meal, or two small meals. Fridays in Lent are days of special abstinence. This traditionally means fasting meat (fish is not considered meat by the Church).

# Stations of the Cross: Fridays in Lent, beginning on Friday March 07 at 6 PM.

Lenten Study: Mondays in Lent at 6:30 pm at Juanita Hawkin's home. We will be reading *Giving Up Worry for Lent*, by Gary Zimak. The book may be purchased on Amazon. We will begin with St. Antony's Rosary for Healing at 6:30 pm, followed by the book study at 7 pm.

# Confirmation and Reception as a Member of the Episcopal Church

A Regional Service of Confirmation will be hosted by St Martin's on Sunday, September 23 at 3 pm. A new class for youth and adults interested in being Confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church will begin this Spring for others who would like to be confirmed or received on September 23. Please see Father Rob if you would like to participate.