

**St. Christopher by the Sea
Gibson Island, Maryland
February 15, 2026
The Last Sunday after the Epiphany
Holy Eucharist Rite II**

Ministry of the Word

Prelude: <i>Soul, adorn thyself with gladness</i> — J. S. Bach	
Processional Hymn 135, <i>Songs of Thankfulness and Praise</i>	
Invitation	BCP page 355
Gloria in Excelsis S-280 (Hymnal)	BCP page 356
First Reading: Exodus 24:12-18	Insert
Psalm Psalm 2	Insert
Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:16-21	Insert
Hymn 137, <i>O wondrous type, O vision Fair</i> Vs 1-3	
Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9	Insert
Sermon	The Rev. Alan Mead
Nicene Creed	BCP page 358
Prayers of the People — Form IV	BCP page 388
Confession and Absolution	BCP page 360
The Peace	BCP page 360
Announcements	

Ministry of the Sacrament

Offertory Sentence

Procession of the Offering and Doxology, Hymn, 380 v4

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.*

Hymn 717, as printed below

*My Country 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing.
Long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light
Protect us by thy might, great God our King.*

Eucharistic Prayer B	BCP page 367
Sanctus S-130	BCP page 367
Lord's Prayer	BCP page 364
Breaking of the Bread	BCP page 364
Distribution of Communion	
Post Communion Prayer	BCP page 365
Blessing	BCP page 366
Recessional Hymn 7, <i>Christ, whose glory fills the skies</i>	
Dismissal	BCP page 366

Postlude *Allegro Maestoso (Sonata II)* — Mendelssohn

FLOWERS on the altar today are placed
by Luanne and Murrell Smith
In appreciation of our wonderful organists:
John Newell, John Tracey and Carl Schwartz.