Sixth Sunday After Epiphany

11 February 2024

Collect

Almighty God, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us faith to perceive his glory, that being strengthened by his grace we may be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

1st Reading

2 Kings 2:1-12

- 3 Elisha said, "Go around and ask all your neighbors for empty jars. Don't ask for just a few.
- 4 Then go inside and shut the door behind you and your sons. Pour oil into all the jars, and as each is filled, put it to one side."
- 5 She left him and shut the door behind her and her sons. They brought the jars to her and she kept pouring.
- 6 When all the jars were full, she said to her son, "Bring me another one." But he replied, "There is not a jar left." Then the oil stopped flowing.
- 7 She went and told the man of God, and he said, "Go, sell the oil and pay your debts. You and your sons can live on what is left."
- 8 One day Elisha went to Shunem. And a well-to-do woman was there, who urged him to stay for a meal. So whenever he came by, he stopped there to eat.
- 9 She said to her husband, "I know that this man who often comes our way is a holy man of God.

- 10 Let's make a small room on the roof and put in it a bed and a table, a chair and a lamp for him. Then he can stay there whenever he comes to us."
- 11 One day when Elisha came, he went up to his room and lay down there.
- 12 He said to his servant Gehazi, "Call the Shunammite." So he called her, and she stood before him.

Psalm

Psalm 50:1-6

- 1 The Mighty One, God, the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to where it sets.
- 2 From Zion, perfect in beauty, God shines forth.
- 3 Our God comes and will not be silent; a fire devours before him, and around him a tempest rages.
- 4 He summons the heavens above, and the earth, that he may judge his people:
- 5 "Gather to me this consecrated people, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice."
- 6 And the heavens proclaim his righteousness, for he is a God of justice.

2nd Reading

2 Corinthians 4:3-12

- 3 And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing.
- 4 The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.
- 5 For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake.

- 6 For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ.
- 7 But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us.
- 8 We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair;
- 9 persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed.
- 10 We always carry around in our body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body.
- 11 For we who are alive are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that his life may also be revealed in our mortal body.
- 12 So then, death is at work in us, but life is at work in you.

Gospel

Mark 9:2-9

- 2 After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them.
- 3 His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them.
- 4 And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus.
- 5 Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah."
- 6 (He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.)
- 7 Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!"
- 8 Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus.
- 9 As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.