



The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany

February 23, 2025 • 10:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist Rite II

*A warm welcome to all this Sunday morning! Our worship is guided using the **red** Book of Common Prayer (BCP). Supplemental material from other sources is in this bulletin. Music is found in the **blue** Gather hymnal. Page numbers are as indicated. Feel free to ask a neighbor for help if you have questions about the service. Thank you for being here!!*

Bold text indicates parts for the Assembly to say.

Smaller Italic text offers directions for the service.

PRELUDE: MUSICAL SELECTION

WELCOME ANNOUNCEMENT

The people stand as they are able.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

BEFORE THE LORD'S ETERNAL THRONE

HYMNAL 391



1 Be - fore the Lord's e - ter - nal throne, ye
2 His sov - ereign Power with - out our aid formed
3 We are his peo - ple, we his care, our
4 We'll crowd thy gates with thank - ful songs, high
5 Wide as the world is thy com - mand, vast



1 na - tions, bow with sa - cred joy; know that the Lord is
2 us of clay and gave us breath; and when like wan - dering
3 souls, and all our mor - tal frame: what last - ing hon - ors
4 as the heavens our voic - es raise; and earth, with her ten
5 as e - ter - ni - ty thy love; firm as a rock thy



1 God a - lone; he can cre - ate, and he des - troy.
2 sheep we strayed, he saved us from the power of death.
3 shall we rear, al - might - y Ma - ker, to thy Name?
4 thou - sand tongues, shall fill thy courts with sound - ing praise.
5 truth must stand, when roll - ing years shall cease to move.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

SONG OF PRAISE

LET THERE BE LIGHT

GATHER 561

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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Presider God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray.

The presider prays the Collect of the Day. The people respond Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON

GENESIS 45:3-11, 15

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

THE RESPONSE

PSALM 37:1-12, 41-42

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THE SECOND LESSON

1 CORINTHIANS 15:35-38,42-50

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand as they are able.

GOSPEL HYMN

LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING

GATHER 641

THE GOSPEL

LUKE 6:27-38

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Presider proclaims the Gospel and concludes

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

THE REV. JOSEPH PETERS-MATHEWS

There will be a period of reflection and silence after the sermon. The people stand as they are able, when the presider stands.

THE NICENE CREED

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Please respond to the bidding “In your mercy,” with “**Hear our prayer.**”*

THE CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

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When the presider bids the people’s confession, a minute of silence is observed. After the General Confession the presider pronounces God’s forgiveness of sin.

THE PEACE

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Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

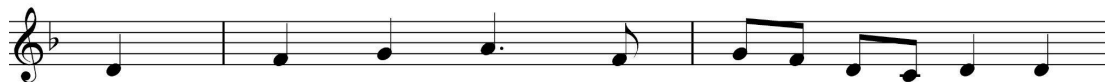
People **And also with you.**

The people greet their immediate neighbors with the peace of Christ, using a friendly gesture such as a handshake, smile, wave, or bow – a symbolic act of their reconciliation with all people through Jesus.

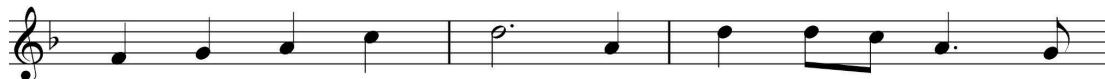
The Holy Communion

The presider begins the Offertory with directions for receiving communion. If you would like to give to the church online, please scan the QR code on the back of this bulletin.

The people stand if able.



1 "For - give our sins as we for - give" you
 2 How can your par - don reach and bless the
 3 In blaz - ing light your cross re - veals the
 4 Lord, cleanse the depths with - in our souls, and



taught us, Lord, to pray; but you a - lone can
 un - for - giv - ing heart that broods on wrongs and
 truth we dim - ly knew, how small the debts men
 bid re - sent - ment cease; then, re - con - ciled to



grant us grace to live the words we say.
 will not let old bit - ter - ness de - part?
 owe to us, how great our debt to you.
 God and man, our lives will spread your peace.

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GREAT THANKSGIVING – EUCHARISTIC PRAYER 2

EOW

If not already standing, please stand as able. In this prayer, the indented lines in bold are spoken by the People

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord..

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God..

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Presider proceeds until

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

SANCTUS

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

GATHER 198

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Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of

hosts. Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry.

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.

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The Prayer continues and concludes with

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.

A - men, a - men, a - men.

A - men, a - men, a - men.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in 4/4 time, key of B-flat major. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics 'A - men, a - men, a - men.' written below each staff. The notes are quarter notes, and there are rests between the words. The first staff ends with a double bar line, and the second staff ends with a double bar line.

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A minute of silence is observed as the Bread is broken and Wine divided into separate vessels.

FRACTION ANTHEM

LAMB OF GOD

GATHER 204

Sing the first two lines twice. Then sing the first and third line.

Cantor: Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the

Assembly: world, have mer - cy on us.

Last time world, grant us peace.

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THE INVITATION

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As soon as the invitation is given, the people move forward to receive Communion.

Please come down an aisle to an empty space around the altar platform. Hold your hands in front of you to receive the Bread, and leave it there if you would prefer not to receive Wine from a shared cup. A server will dip your bread and serve you. Alcohol- and gluten-free options are available; let a server know your needs.

If you would prefer not to receive Communion, you are invited to come forward, cross your arms over your chest, and receive a blessing. Please join in singing the Communion Songs after receiving.



1 Lord, make us ser - vants of your peace: where there is
 2 Where all is doubt, may we sow faith; where all is
 3 Je - sus, our Lord, may we not seek to be con -
 4 May we not look for love's re - turn, but seek to
 5 Dy - ing, we live, and are re - born through death's dark



1 hate, may we sow love; where there is hurt, may we for -
 2 gloom, may we sow hope; where all is night, may we sow
 3 soled, but to con - sole, nor look to un - der - stand - ing
 4 love un - self - ish - ly, for in our giv - ing we re -
 5 night to end - less day: Lord, make us ser - vants of your



1 give; where there is strife, may we make one.
 2 light; where all is tears, may we sow joy.
 3 hearts, but look for hearts to un - der - stand.
 4 ceive, and in for - giv - ing are for - given.
 5 peace, to wake at last in hea - ven's light.

COMMUNION SONG

GRACIOUS SPIRIT, HOLY GHOST

HYMNAL 612



1 Gra-cious Spi - rit, Ho - ly Ghost, taught by thee we cov - et most,
 2 Love is kind, and suf - fers long, love is meek, and thinks no wrong,
 3 Pro - phe - cy will fade a - way, melt - ing in the light of day;
 4 Faith and hope and love we see, join - ing hand in hand, a - gree,



of thy gifts at Pen - te - cost, ho - ly heaven - ly love.
 love than death it - self more strong; there - fore, give us love.
 love will ev - er with us stay; there - fore, give us love.
 but the great - est of the three, and the best, is love.

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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When the presider bids the people pray, the assembly stands. Please remain standing through the brief announcements.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE BLESSING

*After the blessing, the people respond **Amen.***

CLOSING HYMN

PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY

GATHER 616

THE DISMISSAL

The presider dismisses the people who respond

*People **Thanks be to God.***

Liturgical notes

- The introduction to the gospel, and Eucharistic prayer are from *Enriching Our Worship*, a supplement to the *Book of Common Prayer*.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Worship Committee will meet today after coffee hour.
- Evening Prayer and Potluck is tonight at 5:30!
- Commons meets Mondays at 11. If you're interested in "leading" let Fr. Joseph know.
- The next Bishop's Committee meeting is Sunday, March 16.

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