The Seventh Sunday After the Epiphany February 23, 2025 10:30 am



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A Christian community for the realization of God's presence through worship, relationship, and outreach.

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We are delighted to have you with us today.

Everything that you need for the liturgy can be found in this bulletin.

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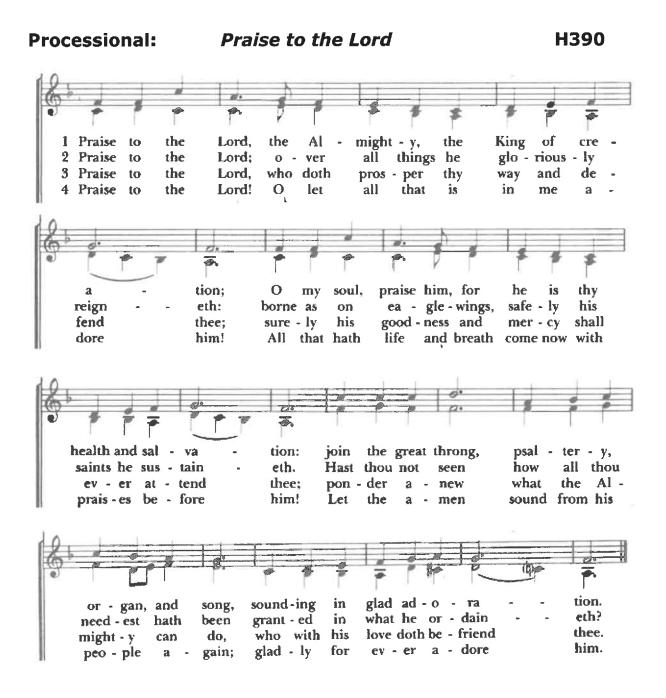
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THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude:



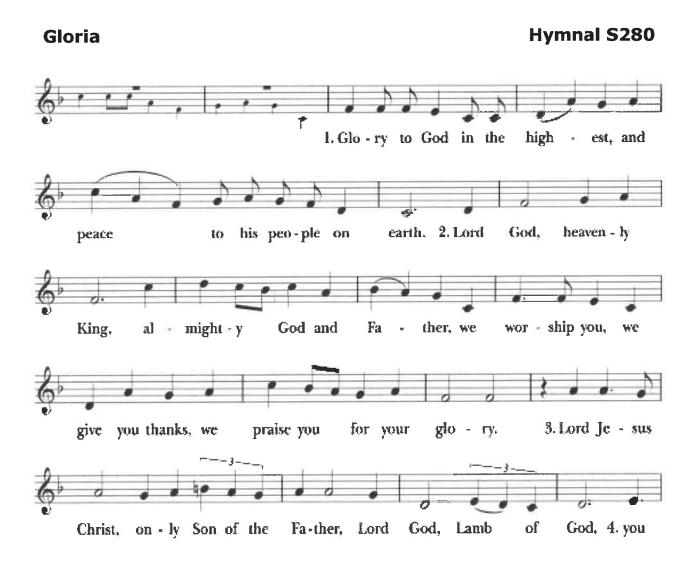
The Opening Acclamation

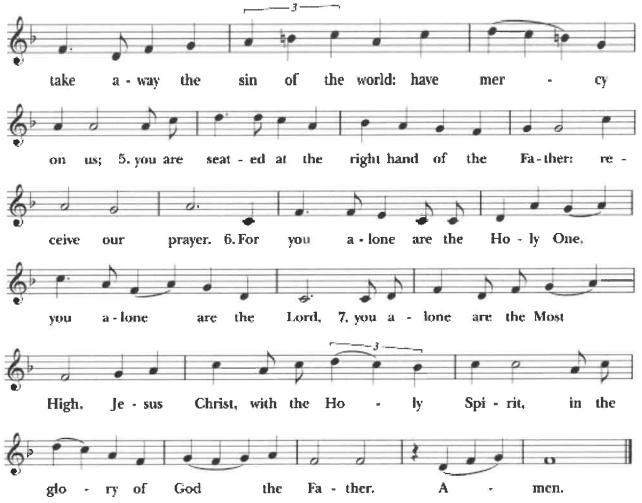
Presider: Blessed be God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

People: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

Presider: 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.**





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The Collect of the Day:

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

Presider: O Lord, you have taught us that without love whatever we do is worth nothing: Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts your greatest gift, which is love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue, without which whoever lives is accounted dead before you. Grant this for the sake of your only Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

The First Lesson:

Lector: A reading from Genesis.

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors.

So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you theresince there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.'"

And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 37:1-12, 41-42

- 1 Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; * do not be jealous of those who do wrong.
- 2 For they shall soon wither like the grass, * and like the green grass fade away.
- 3 Put your trust in the Lord and do good; *
 dwell in the land and feed on its riches.
- 4 Take delight in the Lord, * and he shall give you your heart's desire.
- 5 Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in him, * and he will bring it to pass.
- 6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the light * and your just dealing as the noonday.
- 7 Be still before the Lord * and wait patiently for him.
- 8 Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, *
 the one who succeeds in evil schemes.
- 9 Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; * do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.
- 10 For evildoers shall be cut off, *
 but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the land.
- 11 In a little while the wicked shall be no more; * you shall search out their place, but they will not be there.
- 12 But the lowly shall possess the land; *
 they will delight in abundance of peace.
- 41 But the deliverance of the righteous comes from the Lord; * he is their stronghold in time of trouble.
- 42 The Lord will help them and rescue them; *
 he will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them,
 because they seek refuge in him.

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

The Second Lesson:

Lector: A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians

Someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual.

The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: Where True Charity and Love Dwell vs 1



The Gospel: Luke 6:27-38

Response before the Gospel: Glory to you, Lord Christ

Jesus said, "I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you.

If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

"Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

Please be seated.

The Homily: The Rev. Charlotte Reed

The Nicene Creed *Please stand.*

Presider and People

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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

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 and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.

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

Lector: God of revelation, as we gather in praise for the gracious mystery of your Son, we remember the many needs of your church and your world.

For the Church: that we may be given wisdom and discernment: that we might become a leading star for others in their journey to Christ. Arise, shine; for your light has come,

People: and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

For this nation and all in authority around the world: grant us knowledge and sound judgement, so that we might help bring justice, peace, and mercy to all people.

Arise, shine; for your light has come,

People: and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

For the earth and for the wisdom and ability to conserve it: that we might see how you are made manifest through all creation.

Arise, shine; for your light has come,

People: and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

For all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially for **Jo Stull and Becky Daffner** and all those on our prayer list. We pray that your healing light be with them.

Arise, shine; for your light has come,

People: and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

For all those who have died, that they might know the light of your resurrection.

Arise, shine; for your light has come,

People: and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

Presider: Guide us on the path of salvation, O God, that the radiance and power of your Holy Spirit working in the world will gather together all peoples and nations in one community to offer you worship and proclaim your splendor. **Amen.**

You may stand or kneel as you are able.

The Confession

Presider: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Presider and people

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us,

the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Absolution:

Presider: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider: The peace of the Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

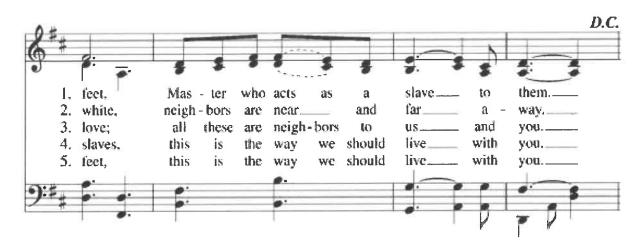
The Offertory Sentence

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

Presentation of Bread and Wine

Offertory Music: Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love LEVAS 74

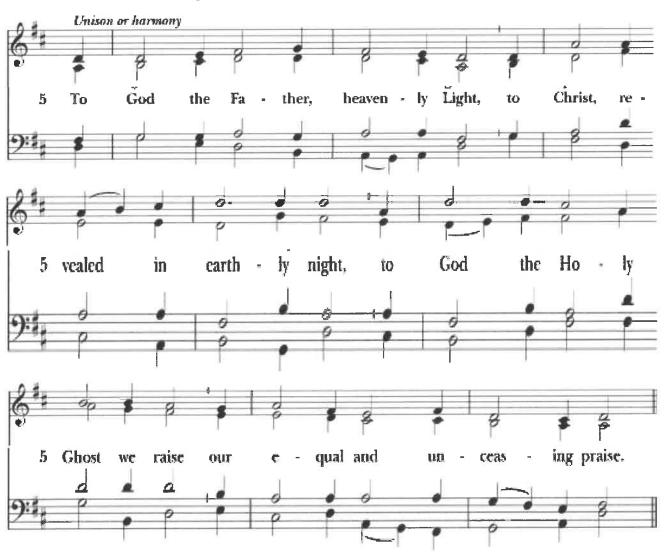




The Presentation Hymn: V

What Star is This

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The Great Thanksgiving: EOW— Eucharistic Prayer II

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

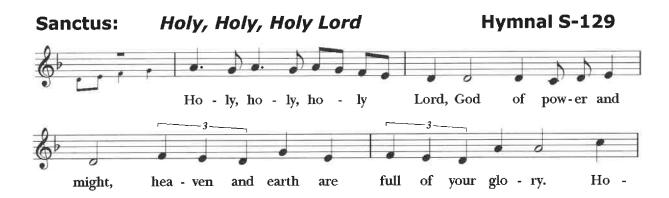
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing.

You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

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:





The Presider continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friend. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, 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."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

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.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

Presider and People:

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem



Invitation to Communion

Presider: This is the table, not of the church, but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love God and for those who want to love God more.

So come you who have much faith. And you who have little; You who have been here often and you who have not been here long; You who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come because it is the Lord who invites you.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

You are welcome to join us at communion. When indicated by the usher, please come forward to the communion rail.

You may partake of the common cup through the first chalice, or intinct (dip) from the second chalice.

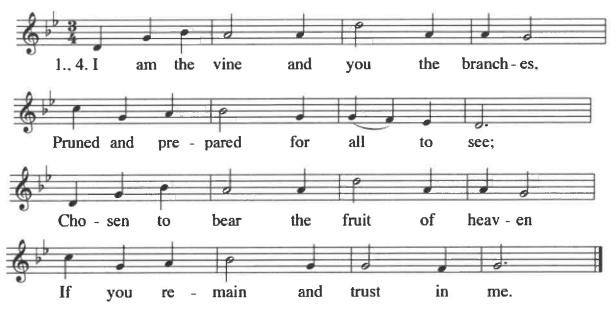
Please let the presider know if you need a gluten free wafer.



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I am the Vine You Are the Branches

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The Post Communion Prayer

Please stand.

Presider: Let us pray.

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.

The Blessing

Presider: May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn: Love Divine, all Loves Excelling **H657** di vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heaven, to Love de - liv - er, thy 2 Come, al might - y to let U5 all cre - a - tion; spot - less Fi - nish then thy new pure and fix thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy earth come down, in 115 nev - er, life re - ceive; sud den - ly re - turn, and nev - er let thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -115 bc: lct US. sec faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou all com - pas - sion, more thy tem - ples leave. Thec we would be al - way bless - ing, thee: changed from gio - ry in - to glo - ry, ly re - stored in it with pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; VIS us thee thy hosts a bove, pray, and praise thee serve as till till take place, WC cast our in we our heaven trem - bling heart. thy tion, ter ev - ery sal va en per - feet love. with ing, glo in thy out ceas 83 be - fore thee, lost won - der, love, and praise. Crowns in

The Dismissal

Presider: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power

of the Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude:

Please join us in the Parish Hall following the service for a time of coffee and fellowship.

Those Serving Today—February 23

Presider: Mtr. Alane Osborne

Organist: Karen Bocko

Acolytes: Oliver Evans, Elizabeth Rowland

Lectors: David Cobb, Millie Woryk

Usher: Pat Marchal

Altar Guild: Jenny Anticoli, Mary Seigel

Little Library Steward: Susan Beerbower

This Week at Trinity: February 24—March 2

Monday 2/24 9:15 am Contemplative Prayer
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Tuesday 2/25 11:00 am Social Ministry/Outreach
Wednesday 2/26 7:00 pm Celtic Compline

Parish Cycle of Prayer

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants *Charles Begovich, Nancy Clair, Diana Bodenmiller, David and Carole Cobb.* Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayer for Those Celebrating Birthdays and Anniversaries.

O God, our times are in your hand: *Charles Begovich*. Look with favor, we pray, on your servants: as they begin another year. Grant that he may grow in wisdom and grace and strengthen his trust in your goodness all the days of his life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Prayer For Those in the Armed Forces

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temp-ations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



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