



St. Francis' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Sunday, February 20, 2022

The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany



Go forth and scatter the darkness

PRELUDE

WELCOME

GATHERING HYMN

PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY

H 390

Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 Praise to the Lord; o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly
 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de -
 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - eth: borne as on ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his
 fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall
 dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with

health and sal - va - tion: join the great throng, psal - ter - y,
 saints he sus - tain - eth. Hast thou not seen how all thou
 ev - er at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

or - gan, and song, sound - ing in glad ad - o - ra - - - tion.
 need - est hath been grant - ed in what he or - dain - - - eth?
 might - y can do, who with his love doth be - friend thee.
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

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OPENING ACCLAMATIONS

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

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. 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, so that we may truly love you, and worthily praise your holy name; through our Savior Jesus Christ.

People Amen.

GLORIA

ED BOLDUC



Glo-ry! Glo-ry to God in the high-est. Glo-ry!



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good



will. We praise you, we bless you, we a-dore you, we glo-ri-fy



you, we give you thanks for your great glo - ry,



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, O God, al - might-y



Fa - ther. Lord Je - sus Christ, On-ly Be - got - ten Son,



Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, you take a -

way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us; you take a -
 way the sins of the world, re-ceive our prayer; you are seat-ed at the right
 hand of the Fa-ther, have mer-cy on us. For
 you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
 you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly
 Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. Glo-ry!
 Glo-ry to God in the high-est. Glo-ry! Glo-ry to God in the
 high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will. A - men.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

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.

People: **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST READING

Reader A reading from the book of Genesis.

45:3-11, 15

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 there--since 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.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM OF THE DAY

PSALM 37

Put your — trust in the LORD and do good. —

A B

- 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. ANTIPHON

- A 3 Put your trust in the Lord and do / good;
dwell in the land and feed on its / riches.
- B 4 Take delight in the / Lord,
and he shall give you your heart's de/sire.
- A 5 Commit your way to the Lord and put your / trust in him,
and he will bring it to / pass.
- B 6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the / light
and your just dealing as the / noonday. ANTIPHON

THE SECOND READING

Reader A reading from the first book of Corinthians.

15:35-38,42-50

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.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ED BOLDOC

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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THE GOSPEL

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

6:27-38

People **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."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

THE REV. LAURIE ANZILOTTI

THE NICENE CREED

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 human.
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 believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The intercessor reads the Prayers of the People. To each prayer, the people respond

People **Shine in our hearts.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Presider The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own. Let us confess our sins.

Silence is kept for a time.

People **Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Presider Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

People **Amen.**

PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

We invite you to extend the peace of God to those in the congregation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY

JESU, JESU, FILL US WITH YOUR LOVE

LEVAS 74

Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love, show

us how to serve the neigh - bors we have from you. **Fine**

Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their
 Neigh - bors are rich and poor, neigh - bors are black and
 These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should
 Lov - ing puts us on our knees, serv - ing as though we are
 Kneel at the feet of our friends, si - lent - ly wash - ing their

feet, Mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.
 white, neigh - bors are near and far a - way.
 love; all these are neigh - bors to us and you.
 slaves, this is the way we should live with you.
 feet, this is the way we should live with you. **D.C.**

DOXOLOGY

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During the 10:30 worship service, the following is sung as the offerings are presented.

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

EUCCHARIST

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider 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:

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, ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Presider 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 friends. 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.”

As 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 gift 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 St. Francis and 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.

The people sing:

ED BOLDOC

Amen, amen, amen

Amen, amen, amen

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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

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

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE LAMB OF GOD

ED BOLDUC

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the
world, have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a-way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

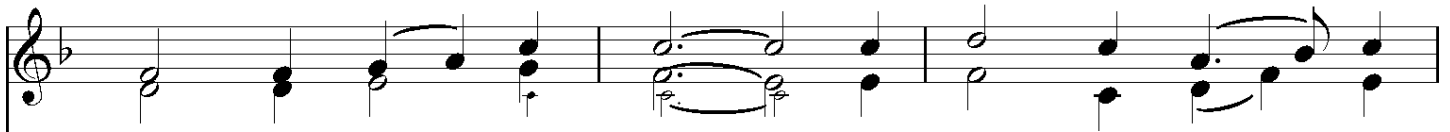
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Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Gluten-free bread is available. This Eucharistic table does not belong to the Episcopal Church or to St. Francis'. This is God's table, and all are welcome. In the Episcopal Church, we receive both the bread and wine, the Body and Blood of Jesus. However because of Covid, we cannot all receive from the same cup at the same time, but our cup remains common to us all as a different parishioner receives the cup at each service on behalf of the entire community.

Unison or harmony

I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -
 I come with Chris - tians far and near to
 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each
 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His
 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll



giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der
 find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni -
 proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us
 pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship
 go our dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple



to re - call his life laid down for me.
 ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.
 makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.
 bet - ter known: we see, and praise him here.
 in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

After all have received communion the Presider says

Presider God is with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

People **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.**

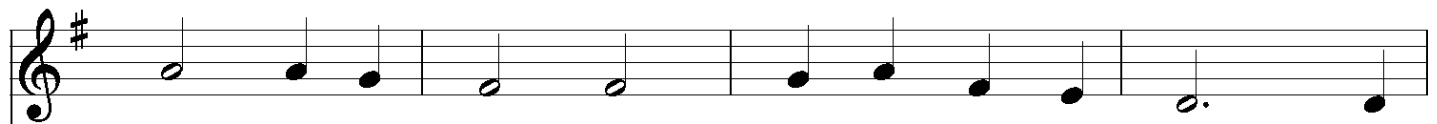
BLESSING

Presider God's Blessing be with you, Christ's peace be with you, the Spirit's outpouring be with you, now and always.

People **Amen.**



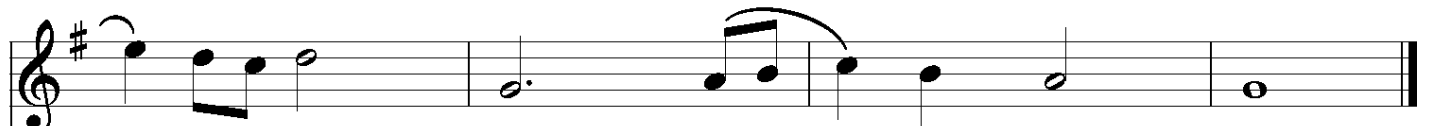
Give thanks for life, the meas - ure of our days,
 Give thanks for those who made their life a light
 And for our own, our liv - ing and our dead,
 Give thanks for hope, that like the wheat, the grain



mor - tal, we pass through beau - ty that de - cays, yet
 caught from the Christ flame burst - ing through the night, who
 thanks for the love by which our life is fed, a
 ly - ing in dark - ness does its life re - tain, in



sing to God our hope, our love, our praise,
 touched the truth, who burned for what is right,
 love not changed by time or death or dread, } Al -
 res - ur - rec - tion to grow green a - gain.



le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

DISMISSAL

Presider Go! Go in peace. Go in hope. Go in love. Serve God. Go and serve the people of God.

People In the name of Christ. Amen.