



# HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I – 8:00 A.M.

## THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2026

THE REVEREND NOELLE YORK-SIMMONS, Rector  
THE REVEREND BETH BINGHAM, Associate Rector

THE REVEREND ROBBIE LAUGHTON, Associate Rector

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*Please stand and sing*

**OPENING HYMN 605**

What does the Lord require

Sharpthorne

**OPENING ACCLAMATION**

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 323*

#### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

*Celebrant* Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

#### KYRIE

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy upon us.

*People* Christ, have mercy upon us.

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy upon us.

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And with thy spirit.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of thy people, and in our time grant us thy peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

#### THE FIRST LESSON

Micah 6:1-8

Hear what the LORD says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the LORD, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the LORD has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel. “O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the LORD.” “With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings, with calves a year old? Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with tens of thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?” He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

*The People stand.*

## THE GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1-12

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People* Glory be to thee, O Lord.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

*Gospeller* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise be to thee, O Christ.

## THE SERMON

The Rev. Canon J. Lee Hill, Jr.

*A period of silence for reflection follows the sermon.*

*The People stand and say*

## 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 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 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.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Each petition concludes with “Let us pray to the Lord.”*

*People* Lord, hear our prayer.

## THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

## THE PEACE

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And with thy spirit.

## BIRTHDAY PRAYER

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. 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.**

## THE OFFERTORY

We invite you to support the mission and ministries at Christ Church by making an offering.

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After the altar is prepared, all stand and sing

## THE DOXOLOGY (HYMN 380, vs 3)

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.

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

*The People remain standing.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord and God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

Celebrant: It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God... Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

## SANCTUS S-114

Healey Willan

A musical score for the Sanctus hymn, composed by Healey Willan. The score is in G major and common time. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo - ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est." The music consists of four staves of musical notation with corresponding lyrics underneath each note.

*The people remain standing or kneel.*

Celebrant All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father...  
By whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

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

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

*To receive communion, please follow the ushers to the altar. Upon placing your hands forward, you will receive a wafer. You may consume it and then receive the wine from the chalice or hold onto the wafer and the chalice-bearer will intinct it for you. You may also cross your hands over your chest for a blessing to receive neither element or not to receive the wine.*

After all have received, the People stand or kneel.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

#### THE BLESSING

HYMN 656

Blest are the pure in heart

Franconia

#### THE DISMISSAL

Leader Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

#### THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ARE GIVEN IN HONOR OF

In memory of Bea and Rex Cherryman  
In memory of Eleanor and Milton Briggs  
In memory of Don Hilty

#### WE PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED

Richard Briggs, Brad Lipham, Bob Pringle

#### WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE OUR COUNTRY OVERSEAS

Kate Ballard, Holly Prousalis, Omar Sharif, the Hood, Doherty, Jennings, and Streyder families

#### PRAYERS FOR THE PARISH

Bonnie-Lorraine Thiele, Barbara Cooley, Mary Crow, Gladys Hook, LaVerne Scott-Rayford, David Caleb, Gail & Ridge Multop, Helen Lewis, Susanne O'Neill, Carol Lafley, Chris McLaughlin, Linda Hoekstra, Peggy Boeneke, Mary Jane Penzo, Tyger Latham, Kathleen McCulloch, Joe Nader, Murat Omay, Kathie Nelson, the Rev. Bruce Stewart, Rick Newcomb, Mike Hodges, Zane Hassan, Gary Wright