

# Holy Eucharist

## Rite II



### Second Sunday after the Epiphany

**The Rev. Robert Odom, Celebrant**  
**January 18, 2026**

*The altar flowers are given by Buz & Norma Gagliano  
in thanksgiving.*

# The Word of God

## Opening Hymn

*Songs of thankfulness and praise 135*

1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Jes - us, Lord, to thee we raise,  
 2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Pro-phet, Priest, and King su - preme;  
 3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;  
 4 Man - i - fest on moun - tain height, shin - ing in re - splen - dent light,

man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far;  
 and at Ca - na, wed - ding - guest, in thy God - head man - i - fest;  
 man - i - fest in val - iant fight, quell - ing all the dev - il's might;  
 where dis - ci - ples filled with awe thy trans - fi - gured glo - ry saw.

branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem;  
 man - i - fest in power di - vine, chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;  
 man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring - ing good from ill;  
 When from there thou led - dest them stead - fast to Je - ru - sa - lem,

an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
 an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
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 cross and Eas - ter Day at - test God in man made man - i - fest.

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## The Opening Acclamation

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit  
*People* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

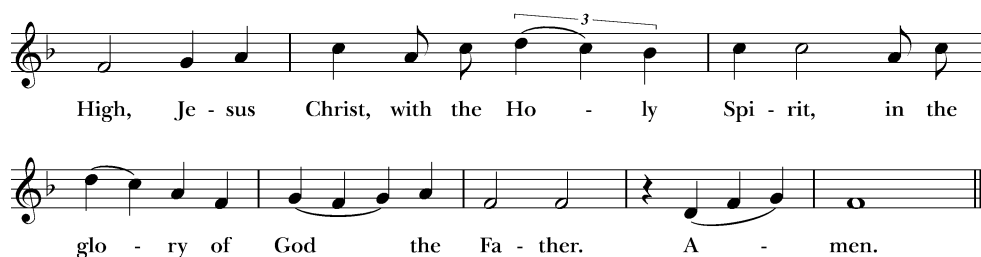
## The Collect of Purity

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 the Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name, through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## Gloria

*Hymnal S-280*

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most



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## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## First Lesson

## Isaiah 49:1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The Lord called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the Lord, and my reward with my God." And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength--he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

*After the reading, the lector says*

The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## Psalms 40

I waited patiently upon the Lord; \*  
he stooped to me and heard my cry.

2 He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay; \*  
he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure.

3 He put a new song in my mouth,  
a song of praise to our God; \*  
many shall see, and stand in awe,  
and put their trust in the Lord.

4 Happy are they who trust in the Lord! \*  
they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.

5 Great things are they that you have done, O Lord my God!  
how great your wonders and your plans for us! \*  
there is none who can be compared with you.

6 Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! \*  
but they are more than I can count.

7 In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure \*  
(you have given me ears to hear you);

8 Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required, \*  
and so I said, "Behold, I come.

9 In the roll of the book it is written concerning me: \*  
'I love to do your will, O my God;  
your law is deep in my heart.'

10 I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; \*  
behold, I did not restrain my lips;  
and that, O Lord, you know.

11 Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;  
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance; \*  
I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great congregation.

12 You are the Lord;  
do not withhold your compassion from me; \*  
let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever.

## **Second Lesson**

## **1 Corinthians 1:1-9**

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,  
To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called

to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

*After the reading, the lector says*

The Word of the Lord.  
*People Thanks be to God.*

## Sequence Hymn

*Baptized in water 294  
 Vs. 1-2, Gospel, vs. 3*



1 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spi - rit,  
 2 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spi - rit,  
 3 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spi - rit,



cleansed by the blood of Christ our King:  
 dead in the tomb with Christ our King:  
 marked with the sign of Christ our King:



heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing his prom - ise,  
 one with his ris - ing, freed and for - giv - en,  
 born of one Fa - ther, we are his chil - dren,



faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.  
 thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.  
 joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

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*Then, all standing, the Deacon or Celebrant reads the Gospel, first saying*

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

## **The Gospel Lesson**

**John 1:29-42**

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.” The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

*After the Gospel, the Deacon or Celebrant says*

The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People      Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

## **The Sermon**

### **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.

## **Prayers of the People VI**

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.  
*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;  
*For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.*

For this community, the nation, and the world;  
*For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.*  
For the just and proper use of your creation;  
*For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.*

For all those who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;  
*For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.*

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;  
*For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.*

For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, for Andy, Jeff, Kai, Hector, and Brian, our bishops,  
for our supply priests, and for all bishops and other ministers,  
*For all who serve God in his Church.*  
For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.  
*Silence*



Hear us, Lord;  
*For your mercy is great.*

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life (including the birthdays of [\_\_\_\_\_] and the anniversaries of [\_\_\_\_\_.])  
*Silence*

We will exalt you, O God our King;  
*And praise your Name for ever and ever.*

We pray for all who have died, [especially \_\_\_\_\_,] that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.  
*Silence*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
*Who put their trust in you.*

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.  
*Silence may be kept.*

*Leader and People*

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
In your compassion forgive us our sins,  
Known and unknown,  
Things done and left undone;  
And so uphold us by your Spirit  
That we may live and serve you in newness of life,  
To the honor and glory of your Name;  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.*

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

## **The Peace**

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

## **The Announcements**

Sunday, 1/18	9:45a	Adult Lectionary Discussion Children's Sunday School on request
Monday, 1/19	9:00a	Martin Luther King Walk
	6:30p	Book Club
Tuesday, 1/20	11:30a	Out-to-Lunch Bunch at Little Italy

Wednesday, 1/21 12:00p Morning Prayer Service  
 12:30p Bible Study  
 2:00p Grief Support Group  
 7:00p Choir Practice  
 Thursday, 1/22 5:30p Handbell Practice  
 Friday, 1/23 6:00p Serendipity Dinner – Parish Hall

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Sunday, 1/25 9:45a Adult Lectionary Discussion  
 Children's Sunday School on request  
 Wednesday, 1/28 12:00p Morning Prayer Service  
 12:30p Bible Study  
 2:00p Grief Support Group  
 7:00p Choir Practice  
 Thursday, 1/29 5:30p Handbell Practice  
 Saturday, 1/31 8:30a Breakfast for All  
 9:00a Men's Group Meeting  
 10:00a Church Under a Bridge Lunch Prep

### **SAVE THE DATE**

Saturday, 2/7 9:00a DOK Meeting  
 11:00a Vestry Retreat  
 Tuesday, 2/17 Pancake Supper  
 Wednesday, 2/18 Ash Wednesday

### **Prayer for a New Rector**

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: look graciously on St. Francis and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for your ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **Prayer 51. For a Birthday**

Watch over thy child, O Lord, as *his* days increase; bless and guide *him* wherever he may be. Strengthen *him* when *he* stands; comfort *him* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *him* up if *he* fall; and in *his* heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of *his* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **The Prayer for St. Francis**

Heavenly Father, we come to you at this time, seeking your perfect plan for St. Francis. We seek your wisdom, discernment, and guidance as to how we may serve you best and to your glory. Make us a church where your Son, Jesus, is lifted up as Lord and Savior and where the healing power and presence of the Holy Spirit is known. Even as your people trusted in you to bring them to the Promised Land, we look to you as God and Father to lead us in all things. We trust you to bring to us the people and resources to help us accomplish your work. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

# The Holy Communion

## The Offertory

### Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise him all creatures here below.  
Praise him above ye heavenly hosts.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

## The Great Thanksgiving

### Eucharistic Prayer A

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings or says*

	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	<i>And also with you.</i>
<i>Celebrant</i>	Lift up your hearts.
<i>People</i>	<i>We lift them to the Lord.</i>
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<i>People</i>	<i>It is right to give him thanks and praise.</i>

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you,  
Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

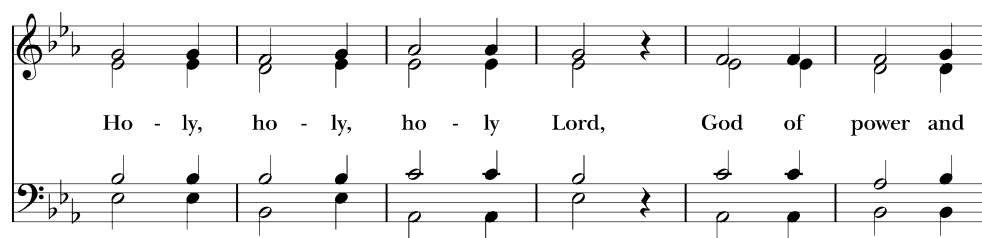
*Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the  
company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## The Sanctus

*S-130*

*The following is sung or said, all standing.*



might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. 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.

*The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.  
*AMEN.*

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

*People and Celebrant*

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 Bread

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

*Then may be sung or said*

[Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]*

## The Fraction

s-169

The musical score for 'The Fraction' is written on four staves. The first staff is labeled 'Cantor or Choir' and contains the lyrics 'My flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in -'. The second staff has two parts: the first part is labeled '1 All' and contains 'deed, says the Lord. My Lord.', and the second part is labeled '2 Cantor or Choir' and contains 'Those who eat my'. The third staff is labeled 'All' and contains 'flesh and drink my blood dwell in me and I in them. My'. The fourth staff contains 'flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in - deed, says the Lord.'.

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*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*and may add* Take them in remembrance that Christ died for  
you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*The ministers receive the Sacrament and then immediately deliver it to the people.  
The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words*

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.]  
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]

## Communion Hymns

*How bright appears the Morning Star 497*

1 How bright ap - pears the Morn - ing Star, with mer - cy beam - ing  
2 Though cir - cled by the hosts on high, he deigned to cast a  
3 Re - joice, ye heavens; thou earth, re - ply; with praise, ye sin - ners,

from a - far; the host of heaven re - joic - es;  
pit - ying eye up - on his help - less crea - ture;  
fill the sky, for this his In - car - na - tion.

O right - eous Branch, O Jes - se's Rod! Thou Son of Man and  
the whole cre - a - tion's Head and Lord, by high - est ser - a -  
In - car - nate God, put forth thy power, ride on, ride on, great

Son of God! We, too, will lift our voic - es:  
phim a - dored, as - sumed our ve - ry na - ture;  
Con - quer - or, till all know thy sal - va - tion.

Je - sus, Je - sus! Ho - ly, ho - ly, yet most low - ly,  
 Je - sus, grant us, through thy mer - it, to in - her - it  
 A - men, a - men! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

draw thou near us; great Em - man - uel, come and hear us.  
 thy sal - va - tion; hear, O hear our sup - pli - ca - tion.  
 Praise be giv - en ev - er - more, by earth and hea - ven.

Words: William Mercer (1811-1873); after Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608). Music: *Wie schön leuchtet*, melody att. Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608) arr. and harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750).

## Post Communion Prayer

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The Priest may bless the people.*

## Closing Hymn

*Christ, whose glory fills the skies 7*

1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ, the true, the on - ly Light,  
 2 Dark and cheer-less is the morn un - ac - com - pan - ied by thee;  
 3 Vis - it then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!



Sun of Right-eous - ness, a - rise! Tri-umph o'er the shades of night:  
 joy - less is the day's re - turn, till thy mer - cy's beams I see,  
 Fill me, ra - dian - cy di - vine; scat - ter all my un - be - lief;

Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap - pear.  
 till they in - ward light im - part, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.  
 more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the per - fect day.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: *Ratisbon*, melody from *Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn*, 1524; adapt. att. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870); harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870), alt.

*The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses them with these words*

*People*                      Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
                                     Thanks be to God.