



Worshiping Jesus Christ, Living in His Truth, & Blessing others in His Name.

The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

Sunday, February 8, 2026

Holy Eucharist - 9:30 a.m.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: "Praise To The Lord, The Almighty"

verses 1-3, 5

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! / O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation! / All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near; / praise him in glad adoration.
2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth, / shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth! / Hast thou not seen how thy desires have been / granted in what he ordaineth?
3. Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee; / surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee. / Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, / if with his love he befriend thee.
5. Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore him! / All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him. / Let the amen sound from his people again, / gladly for all we adore him.

OPENING ACCLAMATION: FOR EPIPHANY

Book of Common Prayer p. 145

Celebrant I will make you as a light for the nations,
People **That my salvation may reach to the end of the earth**

WELCOME
Fr John Roberts, Rector

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Celebrant prays (and the People may be invited to join)

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.**

THE DECALOGUE

BCP p. 100

Celebrant God spoke these words and said:

I am the LORD your God.

You shall have no other gods but me.

People **Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Celebrant You shall not make for yourself any idol.

People **Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Celebrant You shall not take the Name of the LORD your God in vain.

People **Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Celebrant Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

People **Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Celebrant Honor your father and your mother.

People **Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Celebrant You shall not murder.

People **Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Celebrant You shall not commit adultery.

People **Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Celebrant You shall not steal.

People **Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Celebrant You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

People **Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Celebrant You shall not covet.

People **Lord, have mercy upon us,
and write all these, your laws, in our hearts, we beseech you.**

EXODUS 20:1-17^T; DEUTERONOMY 5:6-21^T

THE KYRIE

The Celebrant and people pray

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE TRISAGION

or this

Holy God,

Holy and Mighty,

Holy Immortal One,

Have mercy upon us.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

BCP 591-592

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

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Celebrant says to the People

People The Lord be with you

And with your spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O Lord, our heavenly Father, keep your household the Church continually in your true religion, that we who trust in the hope of your heavenly grace may always be defended by your mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

AN ANGLICAN MOMENT

The Book of Ecclesiasticus (also known as Sirach) is found in the Apocrypha, which are a set of Jewish writings produced between 300 BC and 70 AD. These writings include 1 & 2 Esdras, Tobit, Judith, Additions to Esther, Ecclesiasticus, Baruch, Susanna, Song of the Three Children, Bel & the Dragon, Manasseh, 1 & 2 Maccabees). Traditionally the Roman Catholic Church has included the Apocrypha in their authoritative canon for the Bible, while Protestants have not. In Anglicanism, the Apocrypha may be used in worship, but it is not considered Holy Scripture. This means it can provide examples and instruction for life, but is not used for the establishment of doctrine. For this reason, the lector concludes the following reading with "Here ends the reading" rather than "The Word of the Lord".

THE FIRST READING: Ecclesiasticus 15:11-20

English Standard Version of the Apocrypha

¹¹ Do not say, 'It was the Lord's doing that I fell away'; for he does not do what he hates. ¹² Do not say, 'It was he who led me astray'; for he has no need of the sinful. ¹³ The Lord hates all abominations; such things are not loved by those who fear him. ¹⁴ It was he who created humankind in the beginning, and he left them in the power of their own free choice. ¹⁵ If you choose, you can keep the commandments, and to act faithfully is a matter of your own choice. ¹⁶ He has placed before you fire and water; stretch out your hand for whichever you choose. ¹⁷ Before each person are life and death, and whichever one chooses will be given. ¹⁸ For great is the wisdom of the Lord; he is mighty in power and sees everything; ¹⁹ his eyes are on those who fear him, and he

knows every human action.²⁰ He has not commanded anyone to be wicked, and he has not given anyone permission to sin.

People Here ends the Reading.
[NO RESPONSE]

PSALM 119:9-16

The New Coverdale Psalter - BCP 2019

⁹ How shall a young man cleanse his way? *
By ruling himself according to your word.

¹⁰ **With my whole heart I have sought you; ***
O let me not go astray from your commandments.

¹¹ Your words have I hidden within my heart, *
that I may not sin against you.

¹² **Blessed are you, O Lord; ***
teach me your statutes.

¹³ With my lips have I been telling *
of all the judgments of your mouth.

¹⁴ I have had greater delight in the way of your testimonies *
than in all manner of riches.

¹⁵ I will meditate on your commandments *
and have respect for all your ways.

¹⁶ **My delight will be in your statutes, ***
and I will not forget your word.

THE SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 3:1-9

New International Version

¹ Brothers and sisters, I could not address you as people who live by the Spirit but as people who are still worldly—mere infants in Christ. ² I gave you milk, not solid food, for you were not yet ready for it. Indeed, you are still not ready. ³ You are still worldly. For since there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not worldly? Are you not acting like mere humans? ⁴ For when one says, “I follow Paul,” and another, “I follow Apollos,” are you not mere human beings?

⁵ What, after all, is Apollos? And what is Paul? Only servants, through whom you came to believe—as the Lord has assigned to each his task. ⁶ I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow.⁷ So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow.⁸ The one who plants and the one who waters have one purpose, and they will each be rewarded according to their own labor. ⁹ For we are co-workers in God’s service; you are God’s field, God’s building.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN: "Ancient Words"

1. Holy words long preserved / for our walk in this world, / They resound with God's own heart / Oh, let the Ancient words impart.

2. Words of Life, words of Hope / Give us strength, help us cope / In this world, where e'er we roam / Ancient words will guide us Home.

Refrain: Ancient words ever true / Changing me, and changing you. / We have come with open hearts / Oh let the ancient words impart.

3. Holy words of our Faith / Handed down to this age. / Came to us through sacrifice / Oh heed the faithful words of Christ. Refrain

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 5:21-32
New International Version

People The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

²¹ “You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, ‘You shall not murder, and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment.’ ²² But I tell you that anyone who is angry with a brother or sister will be subject to judgment. Again, anyone who says to a brother or sister, ‘Raca,’ is answerable to the court. And anyone who says, ‘You fool!’ will be in danger of the fire of hell.

²³ “Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, ²⁴ leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift.

²⁵ “Settle matters quickly with your adversary who is taking you to court. Do it while you are still together on the way, or your adversary may hand you over to the judge, and the judge may hand you over to the officer, and you may be thrown into prison. ²⁶ Truly I tell you, you will not get out until you have paid the last penny.

²⁷ “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ ²⁸ But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart. ²⁹ If your right eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. ³⁰ And if your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell.

³¹ “It has been said, ‘Anyone who divorces his wife must give her a certificate of divorce.’ ³² But I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, makes her the victim of adultery, and anyone who marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

GRADUAL HYMN (Continued)

4. Holy words long preserved / For our walk in this world. / They resound with God's own heart / Oh let the ancient words impart. Refrain

THE NICENE CREED

On Sundays, other Major Feast Days, and other times as appointed, all stand to recite the Nicene Creed, the Celebrant first saying
 Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

Celebrant and People

We believe in one God,

**the Father, the Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth,
 of all that is, visible and invisible.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

* Meaning found guilty by the Jewish court of the Sanhedrin.

^ An Aramaic word that means “empty one”

+ the Greek word *Gehenna* is commonly translated as “hell”, though it refers to the Valley of Ben Hinnom south of Jerusalem, which was where Israel made child sacrifices (with fire) to false gods in the 8th Century BC. But when God allowed the Babylonians to conquer Israel as a punishment for this in the early 6th century BC, this valley was where Jerusalem disposed of their dead bodies.

the only-begotten 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,
 was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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],†
 who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
 who 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.

SERMON

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SERMON SUPPLEMENT

Ephesians 4:26-27 (NIV)

“In your anger do not sin’: Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry,
 and do not give the devil a foothold.”

RESPONSE HYMN: "God Whose Love Is Always Stronger"

Tune: Nettleton ("Come Thou Fount")

1. God, whose love is always stronger / Than our weakness, pride and fear, / In your world, we pray and wonder / How to be more faithful here. / Hate too often grows insi-de us; / Fear rules what the nations do. / So we pray, when wars divide us: / Give us love, Lord! Make us new!
2. Love is patient, kind and caring, / Never arrogant or rude, / Never boastful, all things bearing; / Love rejoices in the truth. / When we're caught up in belie-ving / War will make the terror cease, / Show us Jesus' way of living; / May our strength be in your peace.
3. May our faith in you be nourished; / May your churches hear your call. / May our lives be filled with courage / As we speak your love for all. / Now emboldened by your Spi-rit / Who has given us new birth, / Give us love, that we may share it / Till your love renews the earth!

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Deacon or other person appointed says these prayers, or the Prayers of the People in the Anglican Standard Text.

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world, saying, "hear our prayer." For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Reader Lord, in your mercy.

People **Hear our prayer.**

For N., our Archbishop, and N., our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of our Diocese and Congregation.

Reader Lord, in your mercy.

People **Hear our prayer**

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others.

Reader Lord, in your mercy.

People **Hear our prayer.**

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

Reader Lord, in your mercy.

People **Hear our prayer.**

For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service [especially _____].

Reader Lord, in your mercy.

People **Hear our prayer.**

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity [especially _____].

Reader Lord, in your mercy.

People **Hear our prayer.**

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, [especially _____,] in thanksgiving let us pray.

Reader Lord, in your mercy.

People **Hear our prayer.**

[Anglican cycle of prayer]

Additional petitions may be added, and thanksgivings may be invited, at this time either silently or aloud.

The Celebrant concludes with the following prayer

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

The Deacon or other person appointed says the following

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Silence

The Deacon and People kneel as able and pray

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.

The Bishop or Priest stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

The Celebrant may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

MATTHEW 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

JOHN 3:16^T

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

1 TIMOTHY 1:15

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

1 JOHN 2:1-2

THE PEACE

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

The Ministers and People may greet those gathered in the name of the Lord.

CELEBRATING THIS WEEK

Their Birthday: Rachel L. (8) Blythe S. (10)
Bev H. turns 102! (11) Pam Su. (12)

THE OFFERTORY

The Celebrant may begin the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture (BCP 149-151).

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OFFERTORY HYMN: "Christ, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Tune: Take My Life & Let It Be

1. Christ, from whom all blessings flow / perfecting the saints below / hear us, who thy nature share / who thy mystic body are. (x2)
2. Join us, in one spirit join / let us still receive of thine / still for more on thee we call / thou who

fillest all in all. (x2)

3. Move and actuate and guide / diverse gifts to each divide / placed according to thy will / let us all our work fulfill; (x2)

4. Never from thy service move / needful to each other prove / use the grace on each bestowed / tempered by the art of God. (x2)

5. Many are we now, and one / we who Jesus have put on / there is neither bond nor free / male nor female, Lord, in thee.

6. Love, like death, hath all destroyed / rendered all distinctions void / names and sects and parties fall / thou, O Christ, art all in all!

THE DOXOLOGY

Then, the people stand and may sing the doxology as follows

A musical score for three voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor) in G major and common time. The vocal parts are arranged in three staves. The lyrics are: "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. Amen." The music consists of simple chords and sustained notes.

THE SURSUM CORDA[^]

The People remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings

The Celebrant continues

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of

heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

Here a Proper Preface (pages 152-158) is normally sung or said

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

THE SANCTUS

Celebrant and People will sing

Ho- ly ho- ly ho- ly Lord. God of power and might.

Ho- ly ho- ly ho- ly Lord. God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full, full of your glor- ry Ho-

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

Blessed 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 PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

The People kneel as able. The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

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

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it,* and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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 for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Celebrant then says

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

Celebrant and People together pray

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

forever and ever. Amen.

THE FRACTION

If the consecrated Bread was not broken earlier, the Celebrant breaks it now. A period of silence is kept.

Then may be sung or said

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Celebrant and People together may say

We do not presume to come to this, your table, O merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your abundant and great mercies.

We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table;
but you are the same Lord, whose character is always to have mercy.

Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI

The following or some other suitable anthem may be sung or said here

Je-sus, Lambof God have mer - cy on us
 Je-sus, bear-er of our sins have mer - cy on us
 Je- sus, re - deem-er; re - deem-er of the world:
 give us your peace, give us your peace.

Facing the People, the Celebrant may say the following invitation

The gifts of God for the people of God. [Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.]

or this

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

JOHN 1:29^T, REVELATION 19:9

The Ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds...

Who Can Receive Holy Communion?

All persons who have been baptized in the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, are repentant of their sins, and are living in charity with their neighbor are welcome to receive Holy Communion at this altar. We welcome all others to come to the altar and receive of prayer of blessing. Please signify you would like to receive a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest at the rail.

COMMUNION HYMN: "Change My Heart, Oh God"

Change my heart oh God / Make it ever true / Change my heart oh God / May I be like You

You are the potter / I am the clay / Mold me and make me / This is what I pray

"Lord of Our Highest Love"

Tune: Trentham ("Breathe On Me, Breath of God")

1. Lord of our highest love! / Let now your peace be given; / fix all our thoughts on things above, / our hearts on thee in heaven.
2. Then dearest Christ, draw near, / while we your table spread; / and crown the feast with heavenly cheer, / yourself the living bread.
3. And when the bread we break, / your own rich blessing give, / may all with loving hearts partake / and all new strength receive.
4. Dear Christ! what memories crowd / around the sacred cup! / The upper room! Gethsemane! / Your foes! Your lifting up!
5. O scenes of suffering love, / enough our souls to win— / enough to melt our hearts and prove / the antidote of sin.

"Cleanse Me"

1. Search me, O God, and know my heart today; Try me, / O Savior, know my thoughts, I pray. / See if there be some wicked way in me; / Cleanse me from ever 'ry sin, and set me free.
2. I praise Thee, Lord, for cleans-ing me from sin; / Full-fill They Word and make me pure with – in. / Fill me with fire, where once I burned with shame; / Grant my desire to mag-ni-fy Thy name.
3. Lord, take my life, and make it whol – ly Thine; / Fill my poor heart with Thy great love de – vine. / Take all my will, my pass- sion, self and pride; / I now sur – ren – der, Lord, in me a – bide.
4. O Ho – ly Ghost, re – viv – al comes from Thee; / Send a re – viv – al, start the work in me. / Thy Word de – clares, Thow wilt Sup – ply our need; / For bless – ing now, O Lord, I hum – bly plead

"Be Thou My Vision"

See Hymn 488 for verses 1, 2, & 5

1. Be Thou my vision / O Lord of my heart / Naught be all else to me / Save that Thou art / Thou my best thought / By day or by night / Waking or sleeping / Thy presence my light
2. Be Thou my wisdom / Be Thou my true Word / I ever with Thee / And Thou with me Lord / Thou my great Father / And I Thy true son / Thou in me dwelling / And I with Thee one
3. Be Thou my shield / And my sword for the fight / Be Thou my dignity / Be Thou my might / Thou my soul's shelter / And Thou my high tow'r / Raise Thou me heav'nward / O pow'r of my pow'r
4. Riches I heed not / Nor man's empty praise / Thou mine inheritance / Now and always / Thou and Thou only / Be first in my heart / High King of heaven / My treasure Thou art
5. High King of heaven / When vict'ry is won / May I reach heaven's joys / O bright heaven's Sun / Heart of my own heart / Whatever befall / Still be my vision / O Ruler of all

"Let There Be Peace on Earth"

Let there be peace on earth / And let it begin with me / Let there be peace on earth / The peace that was meant to be / With God as our Father / Brothers all are we / Let me walk with my brother / In perfect harmony

Let peace begin with me / Let this be the moment now / With ev'ry step I take / Let this be my solemn vow / To take each moment / And live each moment / In peace eternally / Let there be peace on earth / And let it begin with me

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

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Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to possess you within my soul. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, together with all your faithful people [gathered around every altar of your Church], and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People together say the following, or the Post Communion prayer in the Anglican Standard Text

Heavenly Father,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious body and blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.
And now Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

BCP 137

The Priest gives the following blessing

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Saint Matthias News

Join us for Fellowship Hour today in the Parish Hall following worship. Also, the Anglican Church Women (ACW) will hold its **monthly meeting** at 11:30 in the church chancel. All women of the parish are welcome to participate. ACW leads the organization of congregational life and fundraising events in the parish.



A **Memorial Service for Sue Mauch** will be Saturday, February 28th at 10:30am at St Matthias, followed by a reception in the Parish Hall. All are welcome.



At last Sunday's Annual meeting, Don Chelemedos, Jacquie Chelemedos, and Christian Wight were **elected as our Delegates** to the Diocesan Convention. Rachel Lane, Martha Simonton, & Chris Wight were **elected to the Vestry**. Fr John appointed **Andrew Hongo as Sr Warden**. The vestry will elect the other officers at their meeting this week. Unofficial minutes for the meeting can be viewed at the following password-protected page on our website:

www.saintmatthiasoakdale.com/vestryminutes password: John17-3



Shrove Tuesday Raffle Donations can be dropped off in the LARGE RED BOX in the Parish Hall.



This weekend, Amanda Roberts & Pam Stout are at our Diocese's Clergy Wives Retreat at St Anthony's Retreat Center in Three Rivers.



The Season of Lent begins Wednesday. If you desire to take on a spiritual practice for the season, we have some tips on how to approach this at www.saintmatthiasoakdale.com/lentenprep or the QR code.



Valentine's! For the last few years ACW has been providing parishioners with **Valentine's Day cards** to send to shut-ins or anyone in the church you'd like to send one to. Cards are in the Narthex and you can find addresses in the parish directory.

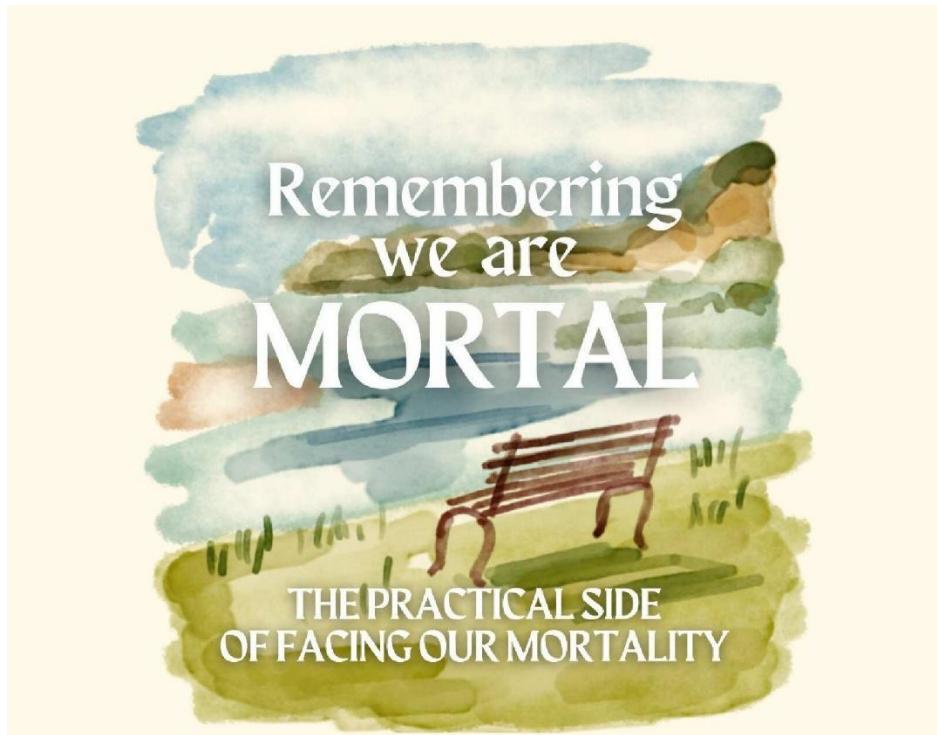


This Week at Saint Matthias

- Today - ACW Meeting - 11:30am
- Monday - Kairos Group - 3:00pm
- Vestry Meeting - 6:30pm
- Tuesday - Kairos Group - 7:00pm
- Wednesday - Final Life Group - 10:00am
- Thursday - Final Life Group - 10:00am

...AND BEYOND

- Tuesday, Feb. 17 - Shrove Tuesday Dinner - 6:00pm
- Wednesday, Feb. 18 - Ash Wednesday - 12 Noon & 6:00pm
TIME CHANGED ↑
- Sunday, February 22 - Honored Woman Celebration
- Wednesdays 2/25-3/25 - Lenten Wednesdays for adults & children in the Evening
- March 29 - April 5 - Holy Week Services: Maundy Thursday 4/2 at 6pm*, Good Friday 4/3 at Noon & 6pm*, Great Vigil 4/4 at 7pm [*Includes Children's Chapel]
- Thursday, June 25 - St Matthias Night @ Ripon Farmer's Mkt



Remembering
we are
MORTAL

THE PRACTICAL SIDE
OF FACING OUR MORTALITY

Including presentations on financial planning, wills & trusts, hospice, mortuary services, funeral planning, the grief journey, and more

The Five Wednesdays of Lent
February 25 – March 25
6:00pm to 7:15pm*

*Childcare and Kids program provided;
This year's theme is prayer

You're also invited to join for
Soup Suppers at 5:20pm
& **Stations of the Cross at 5:00pm**

Open to the public
Register in the Narthex or at
www.saintmatthiasoakdale.com/lent

Designed by Elizabeth Wight



Altar Flower Dedication

Donate fresh flowers for a worship service in celebration,
in loving memory, or in thanksgiving to the Lord.

Dedicator: _____

Dedication: _____

Please write Dedicator & Dedication, including the name(s)
of your loved one(s), above and place in offering plate
or submit information online at saintmatthiasoakdale.com/altarflowers

Please order a minimum of two weeks in advance. Requested donation is \$50. Please include a check to Saint Matthias with "Altar Flowers" in the memo or give to "Altar Flowers" online at saintmatthiasoakdale.com/giveonline

RECESSIONAL HYMN: "God of Grace and God of Glory"
Hymn 594

1. God of grace and God of glory, / on your people pour your pow'r; / crown your ancient Church's story, / bring its bud to glorious flow'r. / Grant us wisdom, grant us courage / for the facing of this hour (x2)
2. Lo, the hosts of evil round us / scorn the Christ, assail his ways. / From the fears that long have bound us / free our hearts to faith and praise. / Grant us wisdom, grant us courage / for the living of these days (x2)
3. Cure your children's warring madness; / bend our pride to your control; / shame our wanton, selfish gladness, / rich in things and poor in soul. / Grant us wisdom, grant us courage / lest we miss your kingdom's goal (x2)
4. Save us from weak resignation / to the evils we deplore; / let the gift of your salvation / be our glory evermore. / Grant us wisdom, grant us courage / serving you whom we adore (x2)

THE DISMISSAL

The Deacon, or the Priest, may dismiss the people with these words, omitting Alleluia during Lent and on other penitential occasions.

Deacon _____ Alleluia, alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Musical Settings are modified from the 1982 Hymnal. The Gloria in Excelsis (S-280) by Robert Powell, the Doxology (380, v.3) by Isaac Watts, the Sursum Corda (S-120) by James McGregor, the Sanctus (S-130) and the Agnus Dei (S-164) by Franz Peter Schubert.

"Renewed Ancient Text"
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