

## The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany

February 24, 2019 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Welcome to Ascension!

For more information about our community, fill out a welcome card, found at either end of the pews, or take one of our welcome packets from a member of the Welcome Team or the table by the Church Office door.

#### Please silence your audible devices.

Beginning ten minutes before the service, please help us create a contemplative space by refraining from cell phone use or loud conversation.

Within the service, the people read the parts in **bold print**.

## The Entrance Rite

(10:00 Service only - the 8:00 service begins with the Opening Acclamation)

### Opening Voluntary (Organ)

"Meditation from Organ Symphony #1"

Charles Marie Widor (1844-1937)

Introit

"Come Down, O Love Divine"

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The people stand and remain standing through the Collect of the Day.

Processional Hymn (10:00 a.m.)

Sung by all.

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

1982 Hymnal # 390

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#### **Opening Acclamation**

Priest

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People

And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

#### The Collect for Purity

Priest and People

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.* 

## Kyrie eleison 8:00 a.m.

Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

## Glory to God

Sung at 10:00 a.m.

Lift Every Voice and Sing (LEVAS) # 243

Carl Haywood (b. 1949)





## The Collect for the Day

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

Priest and People

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 forever. *Amen.* 

The people sit.

## The Word of God

The First Reading Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Reader 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 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.

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

People Thanks be to God.  $\triangle$ 

Psalm 37:1-12, 41-42 (8:00 and 10:00 a.m. services)

Read responsively by the first reader and the congregation.

Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away.

Put your trust in the Lord and do good; dwell in the land and feed on its riches.

Take delight in the Lord, and he shall give you your heart's desire.

Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in him, and he will bring it to pass.

He will make your righteousness as clear as the light and your just dealing as the noonday.

Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him.

Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes. Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.

For evildoers shall be cut off,

but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the land.

In a little while the wicked shall be no more; you shall search out their place, but they will not be there.

But the lowly shall possess the land; they will delight in abundance of peace.

But the deliverance of the righteous comes from the Lord;

he is their stronghold in time of trouble.

The Lord will help them and rescue them; he will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them, because they seek refuge in him. Reader A reading from the First Letter of the Apostle St. 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.

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

People Thanks be to God.  $\triangle$ 

The people stand.

Sequence Hymn (10:00 a.m.)

Sung by all.

"Now the green blade riseth"

1982 Hymnal # 204

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Verses 1-3 before the Gospel, verse 4 following the Gospel.

The Gospel Luke 6:27-38

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

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."

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

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

#### Sermon

The people stand.

The Nicene Creed

Priest 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.

The Rev. Javier Ocampo

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father.

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.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

## The Prayers of the People

*Celebrant:* Sisters and brothers do to others as you would have them do to you. Let us pray for others, saying, "We have come before you, O God; and here will we wait for you."

*Litanist:* Merciful God, help us to love our enemies, to do good to those who hate us. It is a hard thing for us. Make us merciful, just as you are merciful.

Silence

We have come before you, O God;

And here will we wait for you.

*Litanist:* Holy God, make your justice shine like the noonday sun. Vindicate the meek; save the righteous; rescue those who find their refuge in you.

Silence

We have come before you, O God;

And here will we wait for you.

*Litanist:* We pray, Creator God, for those who experience the pangs of hunger. We cry to you for those dying of starvation. Bless them with provision. Give us a new appreciation for the abundance in our lives.

Silence

We have come before you, O God;

And here will we wait for you.

Litanist: Heal families. Heal our families. Heal the families in our community. Mend our divisions. Make us ministers of reconciliation.

Silence

We have come before you, O God;

And here will we wait for you.

*Litanist:* Heal these bodies, O God, that you have made from the dust of the earth. Deliver us, and those for whom we now pray, from our infirmities.

We now invite your petitions to the Lord and prayers of thanksgiving, either silently or aloud.

We pray for comfort, healing, courage and hope for **Sciou** Broderick, **Enid** Cole, **Harriette** Eleanor Cooper, **Fredy** Diaz, **Peggy** Donnellon, The Rev. **Jorge** Garcia, **Tana** Hight, **Elise** Weade Johnson, **Ron** Lubet, **Marcia** Nobel, **Daniel** Pagan, **Jerry** Pfadenhauer, **Eduardo** Rincon, **Olive** Rivera, **Fran** Spina, **Ruthie** Swain, **Samuel** Tellu, and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, as well as for all those on our extended healing prayer list.

We give thanks for the birthdays of **Susan** McLaughlin, **Toni** Babcock, and **Bill** Broderick. May God continue to pour blessings on their lives.

We give thanks for the Altar Flowers that were given by Danielle Allen in memory of Russell Allen.

We pray for peace in the world and all who are serving our country here and abroad, especially those in harm's way, and their families.

Silence

We have come before you, O God;

And here will we wait for you.

*Litanist:* Raise in power those who have died in weakness, mighty Redeemer. Raise to imperishability those who have died in the flesh. Raise those whose bodies have returned to the dust to greater and eternal glory.

Silence

We have come before you, O God;

And here will we wait for you.

Celebrant: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.** 

## Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins to God and our neighbor.

All kneel

## Celebrant and 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.* 

#### Celebrant

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

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord and are then seated.

#### **Announcements**

#### Offertory Sentence

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

Offertory Anthem (10:00 a.m.)

Sung by the choir

"They'll Know We Are Christians"

Peter Scholtes, arr. by Lloyd Larson

"Father all loving, who rulest in majesty"

1982 Hymnal # 568, verse 4

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The Holy Communion

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.PeopleWe lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord o God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### Celebrant

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

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

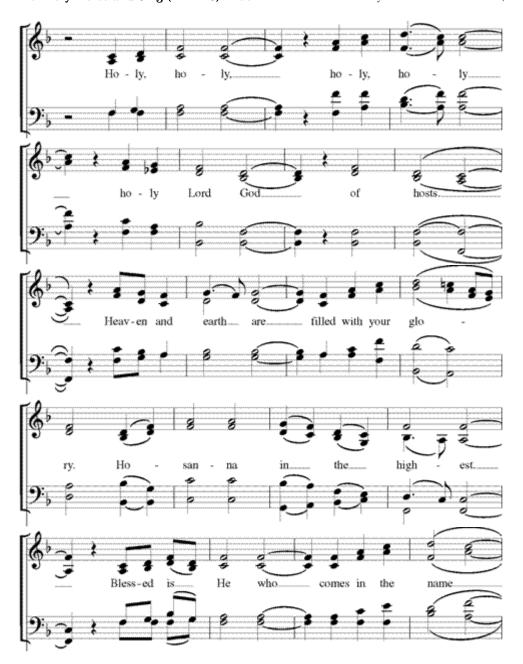
Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

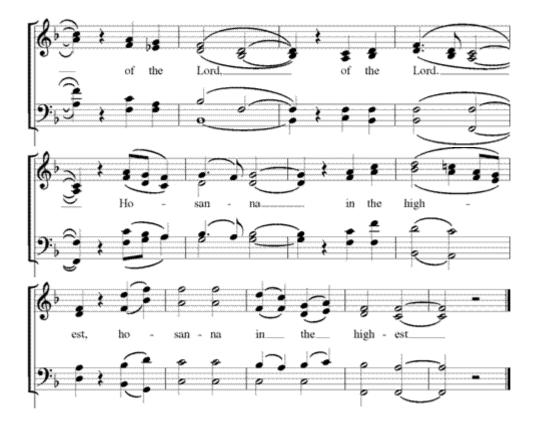
Sanctus - Holy, holy, holy

Spoken 8:00 a.m., sung at 10:00 a.m.)

Lift Every Voice and Sing (LEVAS) #255

Grayson Warren Brown (b. 1948)





The people kneel or stand; 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.

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,

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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

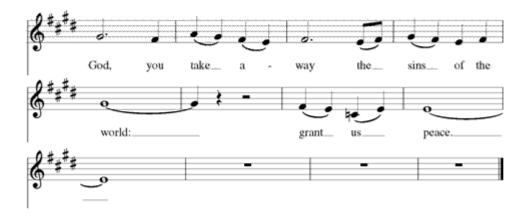
A period of silence is kept.

(8:00 a.m.) Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

(10:00 a.m.) Fraction Anthem Sung by all.

Lamb of God **LEVAS # 270** Marjorie Landsmark-DeLewis (b. 1930) Lamb of God. you take. the. sins. of the way world: Lamb of have mer сy on us. God, you take.... way the.... sins.... of the world: Lamb of have us. cy on



Celebrant 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.

The people sit.

Administration of the Sacrament: All are welcome to the Lord's Table at Ascension. To receive communion, come to a communion station at the direction of the Welcome Team. Receive the bread in the palm of your hand. Eat the bread and then drink from the cup when it is offered to you, or you may hold the bread and dip it into the wine when the cup is offered to you.

Gluten-free wafers are also available. Make your need known to the Clergy by holding up three fingers.

If you wish to receive a blessing rather than receive communion, please cross your arms on your chest - this will alert the Clergy of your desire to be blessed.

If you need communion brought to you please let a member of the Welcome Team know.

Healing Prayers: If you would like to receive the laying on of hands for healing for yourself or another, go to the prayer annex beside the pulpit after receiving communion. A healing minister will be there to pray with you.

#### Communion Hymns (10:00 a.m.)

"As a Fire Is Meant for Burning"

"Moved by the Gospel, Let Us Move"

Gather # 471

Gather # 491

Beach Spring

Kingsfold

#### Sending Forth of Eucharistic Visitor

When at this service

Celebrant We send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those whom you visit may share with us in the

communion of Christ's body and blood.

People We who are many are one body because we all share one bread and one cup.

The people kneel or stand

#### Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, 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.* 

#### **Choral Benediction**

"God Be in My Head"

Sung by the choir.

Words from the 13<sup>th</sup> century Sarum Primer Setting by John Rutter (b. 1945)

God be in my head and in my understanding.
God be in mine eyes and in my looking.
God be in my mouth and in my speaking.
God be in mine heart and in my thinking.
God be at my end and in my departing.

The Blessing

Celebrant

Life is short, and we do not have too much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us.

So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind.

And may the blessing of the one who made us, who journeys with us, who breathes us into life moment by moment, Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit, be upon you this day and always. *Amen.* 

The people stand.

Recessional Hymn

Sung by all. (10:00 a.m.)

Where cross the crowded ways of life"

1982 Hymnal # 609

Gardiner

**Dismissal** 

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Closing Voluntary (Piano)

"The Great Gate of Kiev"

Modest Mussorgsky (1839-1881)

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# Worship Leaders

		Today	Next Sunday
Readers	8:00 am 10:00 am	David Burton Emmanuel Chukwurah Anne Brink	Leslie Sanya David Mitchell Gordon Donnelly
Prayers	8:00 am 10:00 am	David Burton Meredith Horan	Leslie Sanya Susan Ahalt
Chalicists	8:00 am	David Burton Wadai Bright	Leslie Sanya Edna Leake
	10:00 am	Peg Ruppel Margaret Tellu	Nancy Carman Cynthia Perley
Healing Prayer Ministers	8:00 am 10:00 am	Janet King Susan McLaughlin	Lisa Murdock Alex Langley
Acolytes	8: 00 am	Raymond Chin Aidan Douglas	Ron Hayden Aidan Douglas
	10:00 am	Roberta Taylor Pete Minderman Aaron Lalmansingh	Manny Johnson Nuelle Johnson Pete Minderman
Welcome Team	8:00 am	Janet King Frank Sanya	Janet King Florence Sirleaf
	10:00 am	Nii Armah Akuete Ruby King Charles Dickson	Swithin Kwamena-Poh Algernon Thomas Henry Musikar
Altar Guild		Shirley Allen Florence Chukwurah	Nancy Carman Cynthia Perley Elizabeth Lennon
Hospitality Angels	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Danielle Allen Ron and Jan Hauber Georgana Maines	Peter Maroulis Betsy Balicao Pamela Novel
Flower Delivery		Adoma Baffoe Hawa Clemens	Eliane Dunn Johnson Alice Padmore
Eucharistic Visitor		Meredith Horan	Jean Cohn

## Leadership at Ascension

Clergy

The Rev. Javier García Ocampo, *Priest in Charge*The Rev. Nan Hildebrand, *Pastoral Associate*The Rev. Eugene Wright, *Deacon* 

Musicians

Andrew Kullberg, *Minister of Music*Jesse Velazquez, *Spanish Service Musical Director*The Ascension Choir
The Ensemble

Wardens

Betsy Hasegawa, *Senior Warden* Zadinga Ogada, *Junior Warden* 

Vestry

2019: Rose Buck, Janet King, John Pruessner 2020: Gordon Donnelly, Meredith Horan, Luis Pedron 2021: Susan McLaughlin, Berenice Rodriguez, Robert Waters Danielle Allen, *Clerk of the Vestry* Avin Lalmansingh, *Treasurer* 

Ministry Area Leaders
Megan Didavi, Christian Formation for Children
Angie Hight-Walker, Christian Formation for Youth
Ted Bedell, Facilities
Avin Lalmansingh, Finance
Paul Boynton, Mission
Javier Ocampo/Nan Hildebrand, Pastoral Care
Jean Cohn, Personnel
Curt Lindsay and Gary McLaughlin, Worship

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