



## Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 7, 2021

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

### The Entrance Rite

#### Opening Voluntary:

*Ye Sweet Retreat*

*William Boyce, arr. Virgil Fox*

#### Processional Hymn:

*Immortal, invisible, God only wise*

#### The Hymnal 1982 #423

*St. Denio*

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
3 To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small;  
4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry, thou rul - est in light,  
in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;  
in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;  
thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove  
 we blos - som and flour - ish, like leaves on the tree,  
 all laud we would ren - der: O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - tor - ious, thy great Name we praise.  
 thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
 then with - er and per - ish; but nought chan - geth thee.  
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

## Opening Acclamation

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

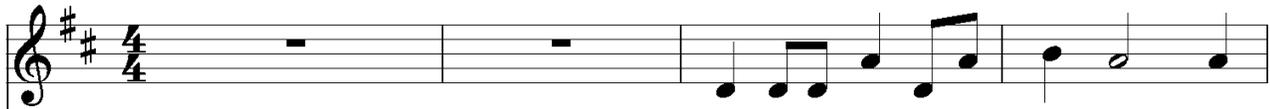
*People* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

### *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.**

**Gloria in excelsis**  
*Glory to God in the highest*

**Lift Every Voice and Sing #241**  
David Hurd



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and



peace to His peo - ple on earth.



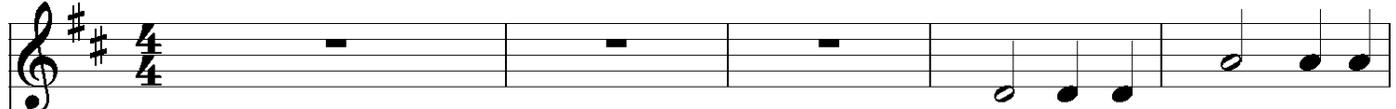
Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might - y God and Fa-ther,



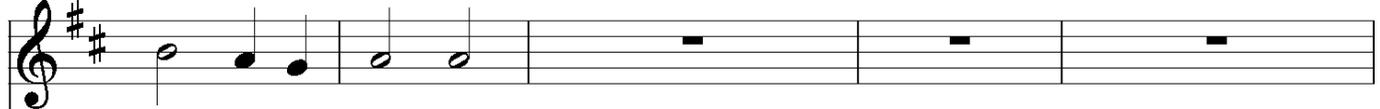
we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly



Son of the Fa - ther,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the

world: have mer-cy on us;

you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re - ceive our

prayer. For

you a-lone are the Ho-ly One,— you a-lone are the Lord,

you a-lone are the Most High,—

Je - sus Christ with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the

glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

## The Collect for the Day

*Priest*            The Lord be with you.  
*People*            **And also with you.**  
*Priest*            Let us pray.

**Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

## The Word of God

### The First Reading

Isaiah 40:21-31

*Reader*    A reading from the book of Isaiah

Have you not known? Have you not heard?  
Has it not been told you from the beginning?  
Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?

It is he who sits above the circle of the earth,  
and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers;

who stretches out the heavens like a curtain,  
and spreads them like a tent to live in;

who brings princes to naught,  
and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing.

Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown,  
scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth,

when he blows upon them, and they wither,  
and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

To whom then will you compare me,  
or who is my equal? says the Holy One.

Lift up your eyes on high and see:  
Who created these?

He who brings out their host and numbers them,  
calling them all by name;

because he is great in strength,  
mighty in power,  
not one is missing.

Why do you say, O Jacob,  
and speak, O Israel,

"My way is hidden from the Lord,  
and my right is disregarded by my God"?

Have you not known? Have you not heard?

The Lord is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He does not faint or grow weary;  
his understanding is unsearchable.

He gives power to the faint,  
and strengthens the powerless.

Even youths will faint and be weary,  
and the young will fall exhausted;

but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,  
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,

they shall run and not be weary,  
they shall walk and not faint.

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

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 147:1-12, 21c**

Hallelujah!

How good it is to sing praises to our God! \*  
**how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!**

The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem; \*  
**he gathers the exiles of Israel.**

He heals the brokenhearted \*  
**and binds up their wounds.**

He counts the number of the stars \*  
**and calls them all by their names.**

Great is our Lord and mighty in power; \*  
**there is no limit to his wisdom.**

The Lord lifts up the lowly, \*  
**but casts the wicked to the ground.**

Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; \*  
**make music to our God upon the harp.**

He covers the heavens with clouds \*  
**and prepares rain for the earth;**

He makes grass to grow upon the mountains \*  
**and green plants to serve mankind.**

He provides food for flocks and herds \*  
**and for the young ravens when they cry.**

He is not impressed by the might of a horse; \*  
**he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;**

But the Lord has pleasure in those who fear him, \*  
**in those who await his gracious favor.**

Hallelujah!

## **The Second Reading**

1 Corinthians 9:16-23

*Reader* A reading from the first letter of the Apostle Saint Paul to the  
Corinthians.

If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

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

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn

The Hymnal 1982 #529

*In Christ, there is no East or West*

*McKee*

*Unison or harmony*

1 In Christ there is no East or West, in  
 2 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what -  
 3 In Christ now meet both East and West, in

him no South or North, but one great fel - low -  
 e'er your race may be! Who serves my Fa - ther  
 him meet South and North, all Christ - ly souls are

ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.  
 as his child is sure - ly kin to me.  
 one in him, through - out the whole wide earth.



**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.  
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**

## **Form I**

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For this city, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

We offer thanks for the life of our fellow parishioner David Mitchell, who was a Vestry member, choir member, EFM leader, reader at services and offerer of many other gifts to our church. David died suddenly on Wednesday, February 3, 2021.

We offer thanks for the life of Jimmy Zulu, uncle of Zadinga Ogada, who lost his life to Covid-19 on February 1, 2021.

We offer thanks for the life of Dan Brockert, uncle of Rachel Ruggeri, who died on February 4, 2021.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

In the communion of saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

**To thee, O Lord our God.**

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions.*

We pray for comfort, healing, courage, and hope for **Eduardo Rincon, Sue Jenkins, Judy Conroy, Jean Cohn, Fran Spina, William Glick, Steve Heinig, Marjorie Blanco, Ann Mitchell, Lolo Andriantsoa, Aloysius Farrah, Danielle Allen, Claude Stewart, Nancy Miller, Rachelle Vasquez's Family, Clark & Kristen Crawford, Cheryl & Randy Bergman, the Zulu family, Lucia Valenzuela, Kimberly Mills, John Pruessner, the Mitchell family** and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, as well as those on our extended healing prayer list.

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

We give thanks for the recent birthdays of **Robert Brown, Aaron Toe, Sarah Gallagher, Percy Chipunza, Msangwa Ogada, Wadai Dennis, Aaron Lalmansingh and Amy Nwankwo.**

Jesus, during your ministry on Earth you showed your power and caring by healing people of all ages and stations of life from physical, mental, and spiritual ailments. Be present now to people who need your loving touch because of Covid-19. May they feel your power of healing through the care of doctors and nurses. Take away the fear, anxiety, and feelings of isolation from people

receiving treatment or under quarantine. Give them a sense of purpose in pursuing health and protecting others from exposure to the disease. Protect their families and friends and bring peace to all who love them.

*Celebrant* Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **The Peace**

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

## **Announcements**

### **Offertory sentence**

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

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Offertory Hymn: **Wonder, Love, and Praise #779** Verses 1-3

*The church of Christ in every age*

*Dunedin*

1. The church of Christ in ev - ery age, be - set by  
 2. A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic - tims  
 3. Then let the ser - vant church a - rise. A car - ing  
 4. For Christ a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the  
 5. We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o -

change but spir - it led, must claim and test its her - i -  
 of in - jus - tice cry for shel - ter and for bread to  
 church that longs to be a part - ner in Christ's sac - ri -  
 fe - ver in our blood. And teach us how to share our  
 be - dience to our Lord: to care for all with - out re -

tage and keep on ri - sing from the dead.  
 eat and nev - er live un - til they die.  
 fice, and clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.  
 bread and feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.  
 serve. And spread Christ's lib - er - a - ting word.

## The Holy Communion

*Celebrant*

The Lord be with you.

*People*

**And also with you.**

*Celebrant*

Lift up your hearts.

*People*

**We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*

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

*Celebrant*

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

# Sanctus

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

# Lift Every Voice and Sing #255

Grayson Warren Brown

Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
\_ ho - ly, ho - ly, \_ ho - ly Lord God \_ of hosts. \_\_\_\_  
\_ Heav-en and earth are \_ filled with your glo - - - ry. Ho -  
san - na in \_ the \_ high - est. \_\_\_\_ Bless-ed is \_ he who \_\_\_\_  
\_ comes in the name \_\_\_\_ of the Lord, \_\_\_\_ of the Lord. \_\_\_\_  
\_ Ho - - san - na \_\_\_\_ in the high - - -  
est, ho - san - na in \_ the \_ high - est. \_\_\_\_

## *The Celebrant continues*

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so, we violated your creation,

abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah, you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, 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 poured out for you and for all 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.**

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **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.**

**Fraction Anthem**

*Lamb of God*

**Lift Every Voice and Sing #270**

Marjorie Landsmark DeLewis

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

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.*

## Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Lord Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. We offer you praise and thanksgiving as we proclaim your resurrection. We love you above all, and long for you in our souls. Since we cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

## Communion Hymn:

## Wonder, Love, and Praise #773

*Heal me, hands of Jesus*

*Sharpe*



1. Heal me, hands of Je-sus, and search out all my pain: re-  
2. Cleanse me, blood of Je-sus, take bit-ter-ness a-way; let  
3. Know me, mind of Je-sus, and show me all my sin; dis-  
4. Fill me, joy of Je-sus: anx-i-e-ty shall cease and

store my hope, re-move my fear and bring me peace a-gain.  
me for-give as one for-given and bring me peace to-day.  
pel the mem-o-ries of guilt, and bring me peace with-in.  
heaven's se-ren-i-ty be mine, for Je-sus brings me peace!

## Prayer after Communion

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

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.**

## Blessing

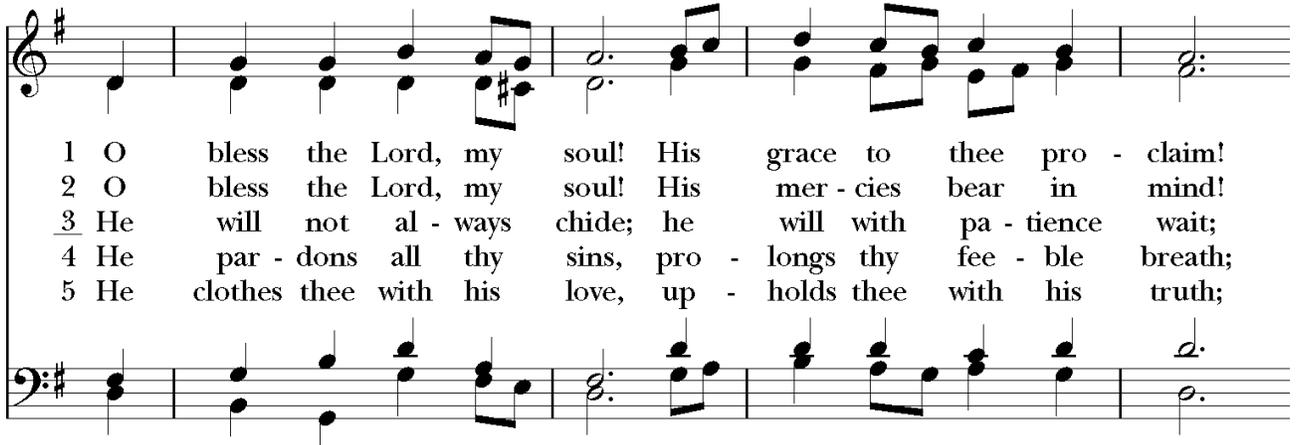
Life is short, and we do not have too much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind. And may the blessing of the one who made us, who journeys with us, who breathes us into life moment by moment, Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit, be upon you this day and always. **Amen.**

# Recessional Hymn

*O bless the Lord, my soul*

# The Hymnal 1982 #411

*St. Thomas (Williams)*



1 O bless the Lord, my soul! His grace to thee pro - claim!  
2 O bless the Lord, my soul! His mer - cies bear in mind!  
3 He will not al - ways chide; he will with pa - tience wait;  
4 He par - dons all thy sins, pro - longs thy fee - ble breath;  
5 He clothes thee with his love, up - holds thee with his truth;



1 And all that is with - in me join to bless his ho - ly Name!  
2 For - get not all his ben - e - fits! The Lord to thee is kind.  
3 his wrath is ev - er slow to rise and rea - dy to a - bate.  
4 he heal - eth thine in - fir - mi - ties and ran - soms thee from death.  
5 and like the ea - gle he re - news the vi - gor of thy youth.

6 Then bless his holy Name,  
whose grace hath made thee whole,  
whose loving-kindness crowns thy days:  
O bless the Lord, my soul!

## Dismissal

*Celebrant* Let us bless the Lord.  
*People* Thanks be to God.

## Closing Voluntary

*Chaconne in G Minor*

Louis Couperin