



THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

SUNDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2022

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

11:15 A.M.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn 657

Hyfrydol

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of
 2 Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us
 3 Fi - nish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and

heaven, to earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble
 all thy life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and
 spot - less let us be; let us see thy great sal -

dwel - ing, all thy faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus,
 nev - er, nev - er - more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we
 va - tion per - fect - ly re - stored in thee: changed from

thou art all com - pas - sion, pure, un - bound - ed
 would be al - way bless - ing, serve thee as thy
 glo - ry in - to glo - ry, till in heaven we

love thou art; vis - it us with thy sal -
 hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee with - out
 take our place, till we cast our crowns be -

va - tion, en - ter ev - ery tremb - ling heart.
 ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

BCP p. 355

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

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

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.**

Song of Praise: S-280 (Glory to God)

Robert Powell

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heaven-ly
King, al - migh - ty 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 Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

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 for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

A reading from Genesis (45:3-11, 15)

The Holy Bible (NRSV) p. 41

Commentary:

Joseph's fascinating story begins in Genesis 37. After the way his brothers had treated him, it is no surprise they were dismayed and terrified to find themselves in his presence. Although Joseph had suffered abuse at his brothers' hands, he did not hold on to resentment; instead, Joseph's focus was on God's sovereign control, providential care, and overarching purpose to preserve the house of Israel. Joseph was able to initiate reconciliation with his brothers because even in their cruelty, he perceived the working of the loving, sovereign hand of God.

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.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 37:1-5, 7, 9-10

Antiphon (The antiphon is first sung by the Cantor, then repeated by all)



Be — still be - fore the Lord and wait pa - tient-ly for him.

*All sing the psalm verses
and repeated antiphon.*

Psalm chant:



Do not fret yourself because of evil-/**doers**; *
do not be jealous of those who do / **wrong**.
For they shall soon wither like the / **grass**, *
and like the green grass fade a-/**way**.

ANTIPHON

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 de-/**sire**.

Second half of chant:

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

ANTIPHON

Refrain from anger, leave rage a-/**lone**; *
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.

ANTIPHON

A reading from 1 Corinthians (15:35—38,42—50)

The Holy Bible (NRSV) p. 1051

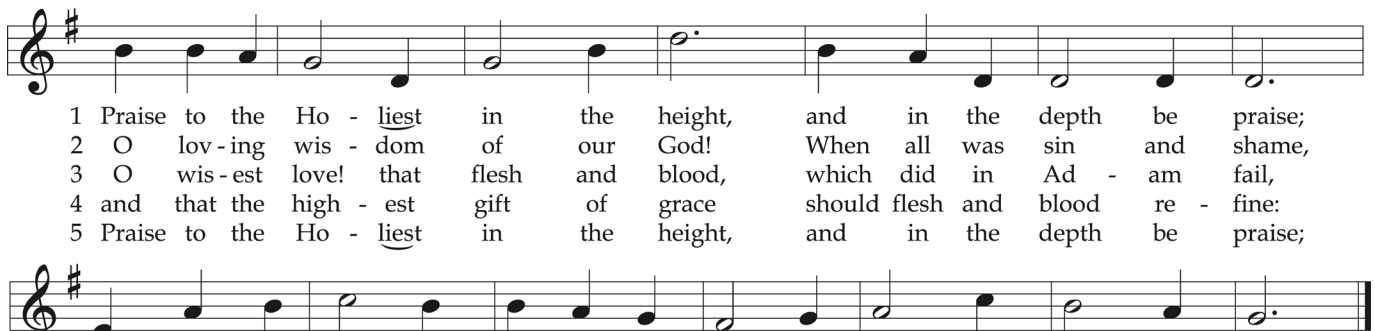
Commentary:

The Corinthians prided themselves as logical thinkers, so one of their objections to resurrection was this: when a person dies, the body decomposes and cannot be reassembled, much less resurrected. Paul pointed out that the body God resurrects will not be the same type of body that died. Using agriculture as an illustration, Paul reminded his readers of what happened to the seeds they sowed in their own fields. The human body goes into the ground ‘perishable’, as seed, but God raises it ‘imperishable’, as grain. Paul turned from seed and grain to an analogy between Adam and Jesus Christ, writing that the body inherited from Adam dies, but the resurrection body, given by Christ, will never die.

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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



1 Praise to the Ho - liest in the height, and in the depth be praise;
 2 O lov - ing wis - dom of our God! When all was sin and shame,
 3 O wis - est love! that flesh and blood, which did in Ad - am fail,
 4 and that the high - est gift of grace should flesh and blood re - fine:
 5 Praise to the Ho - liest in the height, and in the depth be praise;

in all his words most won - der - ful, most sure in all his ways!
 a sec - ond Ad - am to — the fight and to the res - cue came.
 should strive a - fresh a - gainst — the foe, should strive, and should pre - vail.
 God's pres - ence and his ve - ry self, and es - sence all - di - vine.
 in all his words most won - der - ful, most sure in all his ways!

The Holy Gospel: Luke 6:27—38*The Holy Bible (NRSV) p. 941*

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

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."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.**The Sermon**

Mr. Reid Murchison

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows*p. 292***Prayers of the People**

The response to each petition:

...Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem: *Sung by the choir*

traditional English, *arr. Malcolm Archer*

Anointed as God's chosen ones,
beloved, pure, and holy,
with patience, kindness, clothe yourselves,
a mantle, meek and lowly.

*Love, love, is all our joy,
binding us in harmony,
with love we can ne'er destroy
the peace of Christ within us.*

Compassion, mercy, charity,
these gifts to us are given;
forgive all others, bear with them,
as you have been forgiven. *Refrain*

Our words, our deeds, our gifts of love,
to Jesus Christ we raise them,
Give thanks to God who reigns above,
sing psalms and hymns to praise Him. *Refrain*

text: Alice Carpenter (Colossians 3:12-17)

Presentation Hymn

Old 100th

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 Great Thanksgiving — Eucharistic Prayer B

(BCP p. 367)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

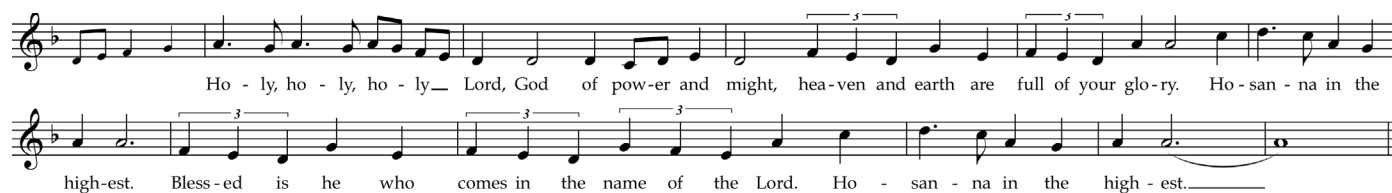
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues, concluding with:

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:

Celebrant and People



The Blessing

Hymn 603

St. Botolph



1. When Christ was lift - ed from the earth, his
2. Still east and west his love ex - tends and
3. Where gen - er - a - tion, class, or race di -
4. Thus free - ly loved, though ful - ly known, may

arms stretched out a - bove through ev - ery cul - ture,
al - ways, near or far, he calls and claims us
vide us to our shame, he sees not la - bels
I in Christ be free to wel - come and ac -

ev - ery birth, to draw an an - swering love.
as his friends and loves us as we are.
but a face, a per - son, and a name.
cept his own as Christ ac - cep - ted me.

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude



Liturgy of the Word: The Reverend Phillip Craig, Jr.
Liturgy of the Table: The Reverend Cheryl Brainard.
Preacher: Mr. Reid Murchison

*The flowers at the Altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of
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THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

MON.- FRI., FEB. 21-24

- MORNING PRAYER
8:00-8:30 AM | Zoom

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21

- CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
for Presidents' Day
- GRIEF GROUP
5-6 PM | Graham Parlor & ZOOM
- FAITH & WELLNESS
6:30-7:30 PM | ZOOM
- FELLOWSHIP AA
7:00 PM | Great Hall

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

- EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY
9:00-11:30 AM | Great Hall or Zoom
- MEN'S AL ANON
5:15-7:00 PM | Bishop Wright Room
- WDAA BASKETBALL PRACTICE
6:30-8:30 PM | Perry Hall Gym
- SACRED GROUND
7:00-8:30 PM | Zoom

- VOICES OF SCRIPTURE BIBLE STUDY
7:00-8:00 PM | Zoom

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

- STARBUCKS BIBLE STUDY
7:00 A.M. | SB on S. 17th Street
- BIBLE STUDY
11:00 AM | Graham Parlor or Zoom
- HOLY EUCHARIST
12:10 PM | St. James Sanctuary
- CONFIRMATION CLASS
#:##-#:## PM | TBD
- SJ COMMISSION ROUND TABLE
7-8:00 PM | ZOOM

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24

- HALO HOOPS BASKETBALL
4:00-5:30 PM | Perry Hall Gym
- GREETER TRAINING
5:45-7:15 PM | Great Hall
- PRAYING SHAPES BELIEVING
6:00-7:15 PM | Lippitt Room

- CHOIR REHEARSAL
7:00 PM | Choir Room

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25

- PARISH LIFE CHILI COOK-OFF
5-7:00 PM | Perry Hall Gym

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26

- SUNRISE SERENITY AL-ANON
7:45-9:45 AM | Bishop Wright Room

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27

- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I
8:00 AM | St. James Sanctuary
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II
9:00 AM | St. James Sanctuary
- ONLINE RITE II LIVE STREAM
9 & 11:15 AM | SJ Website or FB
- FAITH FORMATION
10:00 AM | St. James Parish
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II
11:15 AM | St. James Parish
- YOUTH GROUP
5:00 PM | Perry Hall

EDITORIAL DEADLINES: The deadline for the Mar. 1st Digital Grapevine is Feb. 25th. Please use online form to submit.

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