

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

Sunday, February 8, 2026

The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

Prelude

Processional Hymn 372: "Praise to the living God!"

- 1 Praise to the living God! All praised be his Name
who was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.
The one eternal God ere aught that now appears:
the first, the last, beyond all thought his timeless years!
- 2 Formless, all lovely forms declare his loveliness;
holy, no holiness of earth can his express.
Lo, he is Lord of all. Creation speaks his praise,
and everywhere above, below, his will obeys.
- 3 His Spirit floweth free, high surging where it will:
in prophet's word he spoke of old: he speaketh still.
Established is his law, and changeless it shall stand,
deep writ upon the human heart, on sea, on land.
- 4 Eternal life hath he implanted in the soul;
his love shall be our strength and stay while ages roll.
Praise to the living God! All praised be his Name
who was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.

Words: Medieval Jewish Liturgy; tr. Max Landsberg; tr. Newton M. Mann

THE WORD OF GOD

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

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

Collect for Purity (BCP 355)

Celebrant: 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.
People: **Amen.**

The Gloria (S 280)

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you,
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you
take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated
at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are
the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of
God the Father. Amen.**

Collect of the Day (BCP 216, 357)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: 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.

People: **Amen.**

The Lessons (BCP 357)

The First Reading

Reader: A reading from the book of Isaiah. (58:1-9a, (9b-12))

Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my
people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. Yet day after day they seek me and
delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not

forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God. “Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high.

Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD? Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

[If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.]

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual: Psalm 112:1-9, (10) (BCP 599)



1 A Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the [|] Lord *
and have great delight in his com- [|] mandments!

- 2 **B** Their descendants will be mighty in the ^l land; *
the generation of the upright will be ^l blessed.
- 3 **A** Wealth and riches will be in their ^l house, *
and their righteousness will last for ^l ever.
- 4 **B** Light shines in the darkness for the ^l upright; *
the righteous are merciful and full of com- ^l passion.
- 5 **A** It is good for them to be generous in ^l lending *
and to manage their affairs with ^l justice.
- 6 **B** For they will never be ^l shaken; *
the righteous will be kept in everlasting re- ^l membrance.
- 7 **A** They will not be afraid of any evil ^l rumors; *
their heart is right; they put their trust in the ^l Lord.
- 8 **B** Their heart is established and will not ^l shrink, *
until they see their desire upon their ^l enemies.
- 9 **A** They have given freely to the ^l poor, *
and their righteousness stands fast for ever;
they will hold up their head with ^l honor.
- 10 **B** The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine a- ^l way;*
the desires of the wicked will ^l perish.

The Second Reading

Reader: A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians. (2:1-12, (13-16))

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it

is written, “What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him”—these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God’s except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. [And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual.]

Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God’s Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else’s scrutiny. “For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?” But we have the mind of Christ.]

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn 601: “O day of God, draw nigh” (v 1-3)

- 1 O day of God, draw nigh in beauty and in power,
come with thy timeless judgment now to match our present hour.
- 2 Bring to our troubled minds, uncertain and afraid,
the quiet of a steadfast faith, calm of a call obeyed.
- 3 Bring justice to our land, that all may dwell secure,
and finely build for days to come foundations that endure.

The Gospel

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. (5:13-20)

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, “You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

“Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sequence Hymn 601: “O day of God, draw nigh” (v 4, 5)

- 4 Bring to our world of strife thy sovereign word of peace,
that war may haunt the earth no more and desolation cease.
- 5 O day of God, draw nigh as at creation’s birth,
let there be light again, and set thy judgments in the earth.

Words: Robert Baggins Young Scott

Sermon The Rev. Dr. Mark W. Frazier

The Nicene Creed (BCP 358)

All: **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was

made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People, Form VI (BCP 392)

Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Leader: For all people in their daily life and work;

People: **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Leader: For this community, the nation, and the world;

People: **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Leader: For the just and proper use of your creation;

People: **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Leader: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People: **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Leader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People: **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Leader: For [N. our Presiding Bishop, and N. (N.) our Bishop(s); and for] all bishops and other ministers;

People: **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Leader: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Leader: Hear us, Lord;

People: **For your mercy is great.**

Leader: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

Leader: We will exalt you, O God our King;

People: **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Leader: We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Leader: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People: **Who put their trust in you.**

Leader: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

All: **Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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

All: **Amen.**

The Peace (BCP 360)

Officiant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Announcements

HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

Offertory Anthem..... Choir

Doxology (Hymn 380, v 3)

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.

The Great Thanksgiving, *Eucharistic Prayer B, BCP 367*

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 him 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.

Celebrant: Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

Celebrant: 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:

(Sanctus S 124)

All: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant: We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word

spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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."

Celebrant: Therefore according to his command, O Father,

All: **We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [_____ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.

All: **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer (BCP 364)

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

All: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Fraction Anthem (S 154)

All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Communion of the Faithful

An Act of Spiritual Communion

All: **My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer (BCP 365)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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

Blessing

Sending Hymn 594: “God of grace and God of glory”

- 1 God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power;
crown thine ancient Church’s story; bring her bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.
- 2 Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn thy 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,
for the living of these days.
- 3 Cure thy children’s warring madness, bend our pride to thy control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss thy kingdom’s goal,
lest we miss thy kingdom’s goal.
- 4 Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore;
let the gift of thy salvation be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore,
serving thee whom we adore.

Words: Harry Emerson Fosdick, alt.

Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People: **Thanks be to God.**



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