

**The Seventh Sunday After the Epiphany
Year C**

✠ February 23, 2025 ✠

Holy Eucharist Rite II – 9:30 a.m.

Welcome to Our Parish!



The Episcopal Church of Our Saviour

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Our Mission Statement:

Celebrate Christ + Serve Christ + Share Christ

When the bell tolls, we ask for
Holy Silence as we prepare for worship.

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Voluntary: Elegy -William Grant Still

Processional Hymn: 390
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty *Lobe den Herren*

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

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

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. **Amen.**

Gloria: S 280

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray:

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.

People: **Amen.**

The Lessons

A Reading from Genesis 45:3-11, 15

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:

The Word of the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 37:1-12, 41-42 (please join the choir in chanting the psalm)
 "Open" notes are reciting tones for multiple words. Underlined words correspond to the "filled" notes, which usually occur on the last stressed syllable. The full chant tune corresponds to two verses of the psalm. Odd verses at the end are sung to the second half of the chant.

Robert Knox Kennedy
 (b. 1945)



- 1 Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; *
do not be jealous of those who do wrong.
- 2 For they shall soon wither like the grass, *
and like the green grass fade away.
- 3 Put your trust in the LORD and do good; *
dwell in the land and feed on its riches.
- 4 Take delight in the LORD, *
and he shall give you your heart's desire.
- 5 Commit your way to the LORD and put your trust in
him, *
and he will bring it to pass.
- 6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the light *
and your just dealing as the noonday.
- 7 Be still before the LORD *
and wait patiently for him.
- 8 Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, *
the one who succeeds in evil schemes.
- 9 Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; *
do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.
- 10 For evildoers shall be cut off, *
but those who wait upon the LORD shall possess
the land.



- 11 In a little while the wicked shall be no more; *
you shall search out their place, but they will not
be there.
- 12 But the lowly shall possess the land; *
they will delight in abundance of peace.
- 41 But the deliverance of the righteous comes from
the LORD; *
he is their stronghold in time of trouble.
- 42 The LORD will help them and rescue them; *
he will rescue them from the wicked and deliver
them,
because they seek refuge in him.

A Reading from 1 Corinthians 15:35-38,42-50

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: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Sequence Hymn: **446**

Praise to the Holiest in the height *Newman*

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 6:27-38

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."

Priest:

The Gospel of the Lord.

People:

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Fr. Lucas

The Nicene Creed (*Stand*)

BCP 358

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Prayers of the People, Form III

BCP 387

Intercessor: Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church especially;

People: **The Episcopal Anglican Church of Brazil, St. David's, Columbia. That we all may be one.**

Intercessor: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People: **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Intercessor: We especially pray for those celebrating birthdays this week.

People: **Rebekah Ardis, Charley Oxendine, Diane Crawford, Teller Crippen, Ryan Gause, Curtis LeMay**

Intercessor: We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; especially;

People: **Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Daniel, our Bishop, Lucas, our Rector; that they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Intercessor: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People: **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Intercessor: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People: **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Intercessor: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People: **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Intercessor: Give to the departed eternal rest;

People: **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Intercessor: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy especially;

People: Lou Amzler. May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Intercessor: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially those on our Parish Prayer List;

People: **Caroline** (*granddaughter to Jan & Wendy Hope*), **Diane Woods, Shirley Hunt, Les Woods, Sam and Stephanie Sands,** (*friends to Jan & Wendy Hope*), **Roger** (*brother to Jan Hope*), **Simon** (*brother to Wendy Hope*), **Howdy Hawk** (*known to Judy Rauppis*), **Mark Hayden** (*friend to Becky Ferguson*), **Margaret Marsh** (*friend to Jane Wilson*), **David Caines, Carol Freeman, Tim Garner, Brent, Rovenia Miller, Benny Etter, Lou**

Womack, Gayle Brown (*friends to Manning & Sheilah Kimmel*),
Joan Amzler, T.J. Grubbs (*brother to Linda Campfield*), **Brian
Dubas** (*father to Claire Incorvati*), **Nita McGill** (*mother to Steve
McGill*), **Margie Spraggins** (*sister to Novie Greene*), **Sara Lou
Johnson** (*sister to Barbara Dawson*), **Carson Blake and family,
Jeremy Langley,** (*known to Jeff Couick*), **Genevieve Long,
Lauren and Lisa** (*friends to Melanie Hurst and Rebecca Myers*),
LaTasha Young, Crystal Morrow (*friend to Pat Reichard*), **Mary
Ann Pohlman, Joe McCallum, Carol** (*friend to Novie Greene*),
Josh Lever (*nephew to Reesa McCrorey*), **Reesa McCrorey, Jeff
Taylor** (*brother to Carter Taylor*), **Diane Crawford.**

The celebrant adds a concluding collect.

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.**

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

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. Amen.

THE PEACE

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

People: **And also with you.**

(The Ministers and People stand and greet one another in the name of the Lord.)

BLESSING OF MILESTONES

Birthdays, Anniversaries, and Milestones

(if you are celebrating this week, come forward)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vestry Person of the Week: Jim Russell

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem: The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee
-Jean Berger

The eyes of all wait upon thee; and thou givest them their
meat in due season.

Thou openest thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of ev'ry
living thing.

Psalm 145: 15-16

Offertory Hymn: **674**
"Forgive our sins as we forgive" *Detroit*

The Great Thanksgiving, Rite II, Prayer B **BCP 367**

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Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. 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.

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The Sanctus

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The Lord's Prayer

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Our Fa-ther, who art in hea-ven, hal-low-ed
 be thy Name, thy king-dom come, thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in hea-ven. Give us this day our
 dai-ly bread. And for-give us our tres-pas-ses,
 as we for-give those who tres-pass a- gainst us. And lead
 us not in-to temp-ta-tion, but de-liv-er us
 from e-vil. For thine is the king-dom, and the power,
 and the glo-ry, for ev-er and ev-er. A-men.

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The Fraction Anthem

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Every baptized Christian, regardless of age or denomination, is warmly invited to receive communion. If you can't make it to the altar, let one of our ushers know, and a priest will bring communion to you. If you or your children would like a blessing instead of communion, please come forward to the altar rail and cross your arms over your chest as a sign to the priest. We're glad you're here.

Communion Hymn:

304

I come with joy to meet my Lord

Land of Rest

The Post-Communion Prayer

BCP 365, 366

The Blessing

Closing Hymn:

347

Go forth for God; go to the world in peace

Litton

Priest: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Closing Voluntary:

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
-Paul Manz

OUR SUNDAY MINISTERS

Acolytes:	<i>Lawson Miller, Ella Burgess, Wesley Hane</i>
Lectors:	<i>Martha Macdonald, Karen Lambruschi</i>
Eucharistic Ministers:	<i>James Hale Burgess, Karen Lambruschi</i>
Greeter:	<i>Thereasa Crabb</i>
Ushers:	<i>Jeff Couick, Christy Dutra</i>
Altar Guild:	<i>Linda Campfield, Linda Caines, Rebecca Myers, Melanie Hurst, Cathy Griffin, Claire Incorevati, Marianne Meshot</i>
Audio Video:	<i>Colin Okey, Manning Kimmel</i>
Vestry of the Week:	<i>Jim Russell</i>
Coffee Hour:	<i>Eve and James Fitzpatrick</i>
Basket-of-the-Week:	<i>Education = Hope</i>
Pastoral Care Team:	<i><u>Sheilah Kimmel</u>, Judy Crozier, Karen Hill, Carter Taylor, Christina Dutra, Katie Taylor, Misty Skiles</i>

YOUR VESTRY

2025

Jeff Couick
Thereasa Crabb
Julia McCallum, Sr. Warden
John Stewart

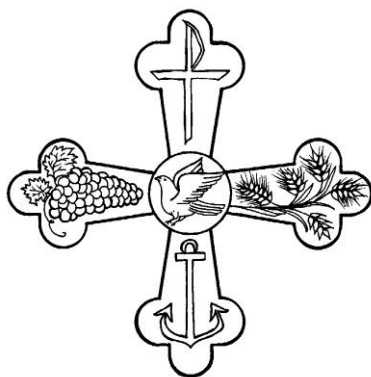
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Steve Dawson
Christy Dutra, Jr. Warden
Karen Lambruschi
Jim Russell

2027

Robert Carter
Cathy Griffin
Pat Reichard
Chip Smith

The Rev. Lucas Caine Crossland, Presiding Officer
Lindsay Yearata, Clerk



The Altar Flowers are given to the
Glory of God and in Memory of Lou Amzler by
Jim Russell and Martha Macdonald.