



Do justice
Love mercy
Walk humbly

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

29 January 2023

10:30 A.M.

Tell out my soul, the greatness of the Lord BIRMINGHAM

Hymnal 437

THE WORD OF THE GOD

How bright appears the Morning Star WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET

Hymnal 497

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. *People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Collect for Purity

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.**

Glory to God (Powell)

Hymnal S 280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
 King, al - mighty - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a-lone are the Lord, 7. 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.

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Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Reading from Micah. 6.1-8

Hear what the Lord says: “Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the Lord has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel.” “O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the Lord.” “With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?” He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 15 *Domine, quis habitabit?*

1 Lord, who may dwell in your **tabernacle?**
 who may abide upon your holy / **hill?**

2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is / **right**,
who speaks the truth from his / **heart**.

3 There is no guile upon his tongue;
he does no evil to his / **friend**;
he does not heap contempt upon his / **neighbor**.

4 In his sight the wicked is / **rejected**,
but he honors those who fear the / **Lord**.

5 He has sworn to do no wrong
and does not take back his / **word**.

6 He does not give his money in hope of / **gain**,
nor does he take a bribe against the / **innocent**.

7 Whoever does these things
shall never be over- / **thrown**.

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

1.18-31

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength. Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God.** *Blest are the pure in heart* FRANCONIA

Hymnal 656

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

5.1-12

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Homily

Nicene Creed

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

BCP 392

The intercessor says

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work; **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For Joseph our president, Greg our governor, and Jan our mayor; for this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation; **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For Justin of Canterbury; Michael our presiding bishop; and Andrew, Hector, Jeff, Scott, and Kai, our own bishops; for Christopher our rector and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in God's Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. *Silence*

Pinky	Lonnita	Lilly	Betsy
Lilly	Brooks	Terry & Linda	Shanna
Pete & Martha	Carolyn C.	BJ	[PRAYER LIST]

People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord; **For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. *Silence*

For those celebrating birthdays: Mary Kahanek, Carolyn Cheatham. [PRAYER LIST]

For those celebrating anniversaries: Frances & John Pittman, Jerri & Dick Frenzel, Sue & John McLean
[PRAYER LIST]

We will exalt you, O God our King; **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

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

[PRAYER LIST]

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; **Who put their trust in you.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. *Silence may be kept.*

Leader and People

**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.**

The Celebrant concludes with the absolution and bids the peace.

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

Announcements and Birthdays & Anniversaries

Watch over thy child, O Lord, as *his* days increase; bless and guide *him* wherever he may be. Strengthen *him* when *he* stands; comfort *him* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *him* up if *he* fall; and in *his* heart may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of *his* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Look mercifully upon these persons who come to you seeking your blessing, and assist them with your grace, that with true fidelity and steadfast love they may honor and keep the promises and vows they make; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence and Offertory Anthem

Simple Gifts SHAKER HYMN arr. Marie Pooler

Choir

Many sources trace the hymn to 1848. Perhaps composed by an anonymous Shaker. Most hymnologists attribute the tune it to Joseph Brackett (1797–1882) of Alfred, Maine. The song was largely unknown outside Shaker communities until Aaron Copland used the melody for his score for Martha Graham's ballet, *Appalachian Spring*, first performed in 1944. (Shakers once worshipped on Holy Mount, in the Massachusetts portion of the Appalachians.) Marie Pooler and her husband Frank, music professors at the college Richard and Karen

Carpenter ("The Carpenters") attended. Richard and Karen gave the Poolers credit for the success they attained.

'Tis the gift to be simple
'Tis the gift to be free
'Tis the gift to come down
Where we ought to be
And when we find ourselves
In the place just right
'Twill be in the valley
Of love and delight

When true simplicity is gained
To bow and to bend
We shall not be ashamed
To turn, turn
Will be our delight
'Till by turning, turning
We come round right

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow OLD 100TH

Hymnal 380, v. 3

The eucharistic prayer will be announced by the priest with the applicable page number

Prayer A 361, Prayer B 367, Prayer C 369, Prayer D 371

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.

Holy, Holy, Holy (Powell)

Hymnal S 129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. _____

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The priest continues with the eucharistic prayer and at its conclusion, all say 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.

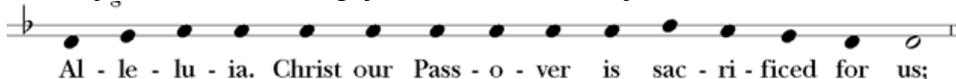
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

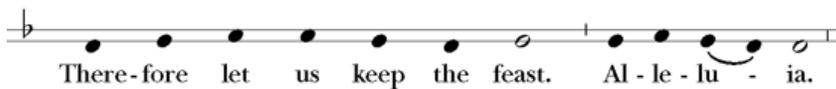
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 364

Silence follows the breaking of bread and then the fraction anthem


Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;


There-fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

When the bell rings, the choir comes forward to the altar rail

Remember your servants, Lord BEATITUDES

Hymnal 560

Postcommunion Prayer

as announced

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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.**

The Blessing and Dismissal

People **Thanks be to God.**

Christ is the world's true Light ST. JOAN

Hymnal 542

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Celebration of New Ministry (12 January 2023)

A heartfelt thank you to all who assisted with the Celebration of New Ministry. I want especially to acknowledge the Planning Committee Fran Mason, Jane Malik, and Ann Campbell; Caterer Deborah Bradley and her helper John Bradley; Music Director Don Kirby and the choir and guest organist John Dujka; Altar Guild Suzanne Morris-Batchelder, Sue Spaulding, Virginia James, Dianna Berg, and John McLean; Subdeacon Chuck Gibson; Lector Ursula Stephens; and Ushers Lil and Ray Landry; and Senior Warden Dianna Berg and Junior Warden Tom Tracy; and Parish Administrator Cathy Serman. Special thanks to all who came and enjoyed the beautiful service and over-the-top reception. I am blessed and grateful to be installed as your rector and am thankful for each of you.

Second Chance

St. James' work week is scheduled for 31 January - 4 February 2023.

ECW

Join the Ladies of St. James on Thursday, 2 February at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall. Meet the Non-Profit World of Fayette County with Susannah Mikulin and Ashley Parks of the FAYETTE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION Sign up sheet in the Parish Hall.

Girlfriends, you are invited to a night at the movies.

Thursday, 9 February 2023 at 5:30 p.m. in the Saint James Parish Hall. (*Please note date change*). Information about the movie is posted in the Parish Hall.

Holy Smokers & ECW Bake Sale

Saturday, 11 February between 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Men's Club Meeting

Monday, 13 February. Hosts: McLean, Koenig, Frenzel. Location: TBD.

AMEN

AMEN St. James' next workday is 13 February 2023.

Supper Club

Tuesday, 21 February at the Stribling's B&B in Round Top. This will be our 'Mardi Gras' supper club. We need co-hosts. A signup sheet is in the Parish Hall.

WOMEN OF THE BIBLE – A New Study Space is limited to 25 participants. Email Ann Rogers at granann8@yahoo.com if interested. **1st & 3rd Mondays, February to May 2023.**

29 January 2023 8 A.M. – Rite One Subdeacon Doc Ayres Lector Barbara Calliotte Usher Jim Malik Counter Virginia James Vestry Judy Balch	10:30 A.M. – Rite Two Subdeacon Tom Tracy Lector Mary Dawson Usher Joe Bailey/Doc Ayres Intercessor Jim Holmes Vestry Judy Balch Altar Guild Team - all teams	5 February 2023 8 A.M. – Rite One Subdeacon Chuck Gibson Lector Joe Jameson Usher Jason Krupala Counter Paul Crain Vestry Dianna Berg	10:30 A.M. – Rite Two Subdeacon Laurie Krupala Lector Doc Ayres Usher Mary & Larry Kahane Intercessor Ursula Stephens Vestry Dianna Berg Altar Guild Team - all teams
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