

ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Holy Eucharist Rite II
February 12, 2023 ~ 10:00 am



WELCOME!

Greetings! We are delighted that you have joined us for our worship service, and so very thankful to be together in-person or virtually! Whether you are a member, a frequent visitor, or are visiting St. Peter's for the first time, we feel blessed by your presence.

We invite your questions regarding our ministries and life in the Episcopal Church. Please know that all baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion during our worship.


We are so glad you could be with us this morning and hope you will join us again.

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II
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February 12, 2023 ~ 10:00 am


Processional: I Come With Joy To Meet My Lord

(Hymn #304)


All stand as are able.



1. I come with joy to meet my Lord, for-
2. I come with Chris - tians far and near to
3. As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each
4. And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His
5. To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll



-1. giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der
2. find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni-
3. proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us
4. pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship
5. go our dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple



1. to re - call his life laid down for me.
2. ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.
3. makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.
4. bet - ter known: we see and praise him here.
5. in the world we'll live and speak his praise.

THE WORD OF GOD

(BCP Page 355)

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

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

The Celebrant says

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

(Hymn S-280)

Please remain standing.

*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.*

The Collect of the Day: Sixth Sunday After The Epiphany

(BCP Page 216)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*

THE LESSONS ~ *You may be seated for the Lessons and the Psalm.*

A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Moses said, "See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 119:1-8

(BCP Page 755)

We will read responsively at the half verse.

Happy are they whose way is blameless, *
who walk in the law of the LORD!

Happy are they who observe his decrees *
and seek him with all their hearts!

Who never do any wrong, *
but always walk in his ways.

You laid down your commandments, *
that we should fully keep them.

Oh, that my ways were made so direct *
that I might keep your statutes!

Then I should not be put to shame, *
when I regard all your commandments.

I will thank you with an unfeigned heart, *
when I have learned your righteous judgments.

I will keep your statutes; *
do not utterly forsake me.

Happy are those
who keep his decrees,
who seek him with their



**whole
heart.**

PSALM 119:2, NRSV

The Second Lesson

A Reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 3:1-9

Brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations? For when one says, "I belong to Paul," and another, "I belong to Apollos," are you not merely human?

What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each. For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

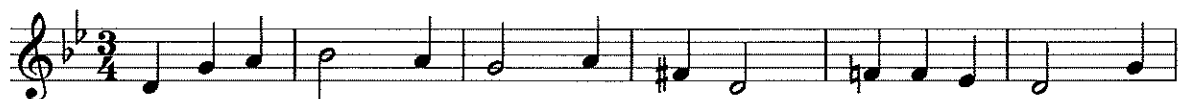
Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

THE GOSPEL *Please stand as are able.*

GOSPEL HYMN: If Thou But Trust In God To Guide Thee

(Hymn #635)



1. If thou but trust in God to guide thee, and hope in him through
2. Sing, pray, and keep his ways un - swerv-ing; so do thine own part



1. all thy ways, he'll give thee strength what - e'er be - tide thee,
2. faith - ful - ly, and trust his word, though un - de - serv-ing;



1. and bear thee through the e - vil days. Who trusts in God's un-
2. thou yet shalt find it true for thee; God nev - er yet for-



- 1. chang - ing love builds on a rock that nought can move.
- 2. sook in need the soul that trust - ed him in - deed.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 5:21-37

Remain standing as are able.

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, "You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not murder'; and 'whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.' But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, 'You fool,' you will be liable to the hell of fire. So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell.

"It was also said, 'Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.' But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

"Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.' But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let your word be 'Yes, Yes' or 'No, No'; anything more than this comes from the evil one."

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

The congregation may be seated.

The Homily

The Rev. James W. Friedel

The Nicene Creed

(BCP Page 358)

All standing as are able.

*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 IV

(BCP Pages 388-389)

The Leader and People pray responsively sitting or kneeling as able.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons. We especially pray for Justin, The Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our Presiding Bishop, David our Diocesan Bishop, Rayford our Diocesan Assisting Bishop and Jim our Rector.

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a bishop for this Diocese, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

PRAYERS *(Continued)*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Celebrant and 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 Celebrant 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.*

(BCP Page 376)

Offertory Sentence

The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

~ *Ephesians 5:2*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

You may be seated as the Altar is prepared for Holy Communion.

Offertory Music ~ And We Remember

(D. Wagner)

The Doxology ~ *Please stand as are able.*

Great Thanksgiving ~ Eucharistic Prayer B

(BCP Page 367)

The people remain standing.

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.*

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

The Celebrant and People say together

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna in the highest.

The congregation may kneel or sit as the prayer continues.

The Celebrant continues

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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

Memorial Acclamation (Mass for the King of Glory)



We re-mem-ber his death, We pro-claim his res-ur - rec-tion, We a-
- wait his com - ing in glo - ry



The Celebrant continues

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 Peter 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. *AMEN.*

As our Savior Christ has taught us,
we now pray,

People and Celebrant

THE LORD'S PRAYER (C-114)

*Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.*

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

(BCP Page 364)

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

Invitation to Communion

(BCP Page 364)

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for
you.

COMMUNION HYMNS ~ Choir

Hymn: All The Riches Of His Grace

(See Insert)

Hymn: We See The Lord / He Is The Lord

(See Insert)

*Praise the LORD!
Praise God
in his sanctuary;
praise him
in his mighty heavens!*

Psalm 150:1, ESV



Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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 for ever. Amen.

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

A Blessing

Celebrant

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Recessional: Blessed Jesus, At Thy Word

(Hymn #440)

Please stand as are able.



1. Bless - ed Je - sus, at thy word we are gath - ered all to hear thee;
2. All our know - ledge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est dark - ness shroud - ed,
3. Gra - cious Lord, thy - self im - part! Light of Light, from God pro - ceed - ing,



1. let our hearts and souls be stirred now to seek and love and fear thee;
2. till thy Spi - rit breaks our night with the beams of truth un - cloud - ed;
3. o - pen thou our ears and heart, help us by thy Spi - rit's plead - ing.



1. by thy teach - ings pure and ho - ly, drawn from earth to love thee sole - ly.
2. thou a - lone to God canst win us; thou must work all good with - in us.
3. Hear the cry thy Church up - rais - es; hear, and bless our prayers and prais - es.

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The Dismissal

Celebrant

Alleluia. Go out into the world in peace, have courage, hold on to what is good, return no one evil for evil, strengthen the faint-hearted, support the weak, help the suffering, honor everyone, love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

*Thank you to all who helped and participated
in our services this morning.*

Lectors/Lay Readers

8:00 am ~ Elza LeBrun & Sherri Collins

10:00 am ~ Rick Rarick & Julie Piña

Greeters/Ushers

8:00 am ~ Barbara & Mike Patton

10:00 am ~ Tony Farmer

Vestry Person of the Day ~ Pinky Gonzalez

Altar Guild ~ Sherri Collins, Margaret Goolsbee, & Vallerie Farmer

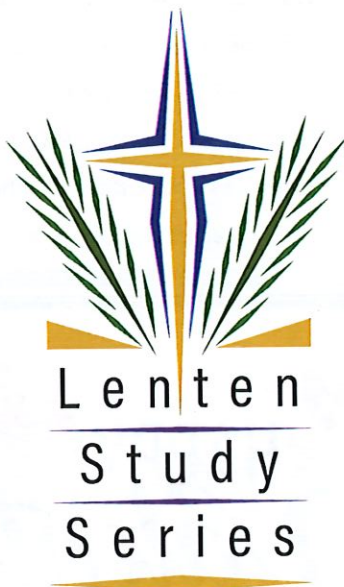
Fellowship Teams

8:00 am ~ Patricia & Ivan Olenick

10:00 am ~ Jennie Taylor & Betty Williams

Director of Music Ministries ~ Meredith Carter

Musical Assistance ~ Alan Berkebile



Practicing Compassion with All Your Heart, Soul, Strength, and Mind

This study is designed for both individual reflection and group study.

The devotional provides a foundation for seeking a deeper experience of Lent ~ one that will help prepare us for the true meaning of Easter.

Please join us on Thursdays beginning March 2nd. There will be a lite supper at 5:30 pm.

The Study begins at 6:00 pm.

Study Books will be provided!

Calendar of Events

Sunday, February 12

HOLY EUCHARIST: Rite I, 8:00 am, Rite II, 10:00 am

Monday, February 13

***CASTAWAYS ~ 12:15 pm**

Join us as we price, sort, and hang clothes

Tuesday, February 14

***CASTAWAYS**

8:00 am - 11:00 am ~ Pricing & Stocking

9:00 am - 3:00 pm ~ 2-hour Cashier Shifts & Helpers

Wednesday, February 15

***CHURCH COUNCIL IN CORPUS CHRISTI**

NO CHURCH SERVICE OR EVENING PRAYER

Thursday, February 16

***CHURCH COUNCIL IN CORPUS CHRISTI ~ Office Closed**

Friday, February 17

***CHURCH COUNCIL IN CORPUS CHRISTI ~ Office Closed**

***CASTAWAYS**

8:00 am - 11:00 am ~ Pricing & Stocking

9:00 am - 3:00 pm ~ 2-hour Cashier Shifts & Helpers

welcome
to our church family

Altar
Flowers



Flowers at the Altar have been given
to the glory of God
by
Katherine Hubbard

Church
COUNCIL

ASH WEDNESDAY

worship

February 22nd

7:00 a.m.

NOON

6:00 p.m.



FEBRUARY 16-17

ANNOUNCEMENT

Church Office hours will vary on these days. Meredith, Mary Catherine, Betty and Father Jim will all be working at Council. Please leave a message if you need something. We will be in and out of the office and will be checking messages. The Sip & Shop, Exhibits & Worship Services are open to the public but registration is required.

<https://www.dwtx.org/tags/council>.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Becky Warren 13

Dora Laird 15

David Wylie 16

Travis Farmer 17

Roy Allen 18

Johnnie Callam 18

HAPPY
Valentine's
DAY