## **Grace & Holy Trinity Church**

an Episcopal parish on Monroe Park





# The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany (Year C)

Holy Communion, Rite Two

February 16, 2025 | 10:30 a.m.

#### Welcome

Welcome to Grace & Holy Trinity. Ever aspiring to be more like Christ, we strive to be a warm and welcoming Episcopal parish, ever mindful of the needs of others, and inclusive to all, including the LGBTQIA+ community. We hope you will find a community here with us, whether you are a college student, Richmond newcomer, out-of-towner, or a long-time resident looking for a new church home. If you are visiting, please fill out the Connect Card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate during the service. Sign up for the Weekly News with the Connect Card or at ghtc.org/news. Children & Youth Sunday School is located on the second floor and grouped into classrooms for each Pre-K - 1st grade, 2nd - 4th grade, 5th - 8th grade. A wonderful nursery staff is available from 9:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. should you wish to drop off your young children (up to age 3) during worship. If young children get restless, it is OK to stay in church and you are welcome to use our library, too. Changing tables are located in the family restroom in the choir room. A greeter can direct you. Information about Complimentary Sunday Parking can be found on the back of this bulletin or either of the two Connect Tables.

### The Word of God

The Prelude marks the beginning of our worship and is intended as a time of reflection.

Prelude

"Élévation. Tierce en Taille" | François Couperin

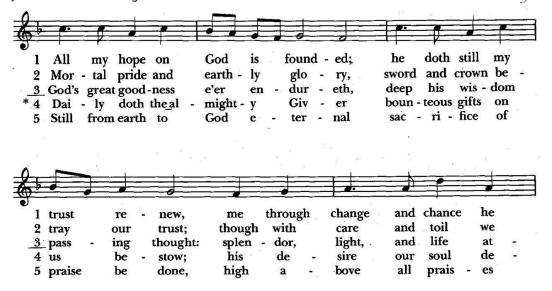
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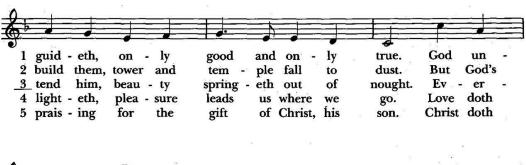
#### Processional Hymn

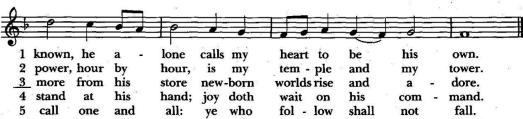
Please stand as you are able and sing.

"All My Hope on God Is Founded"

The Hymnal 1982 #665







Words: Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930), alt., after Joachim Neander (1650-1680) Music: Michael, Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

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#### **Opening Acclamation**

Book of Common Prayer p. 355

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

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

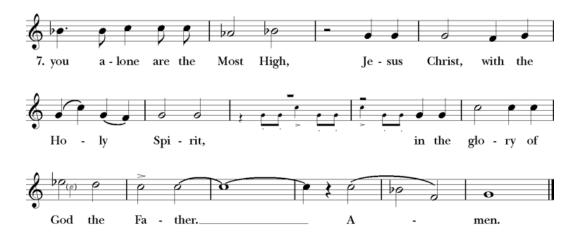
#### The Collect for Purity

Book of Common Prayer p. 355

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.

All sing.





Setting: William Mathias (b. 1934)

#### The Collect of the Day

Book of Common Prayer p. 216

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All 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.

First Reading Jeremiah 17:5-10

Lector A reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

Thus says the LORD:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the LORD.

They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes.

They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD.

They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream.

It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious,
and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else;
it is perverse—
who can understand it?

I the LORD test the mind
and search the heart,
to give to all according to their ways,
according to the fruit of their doings.

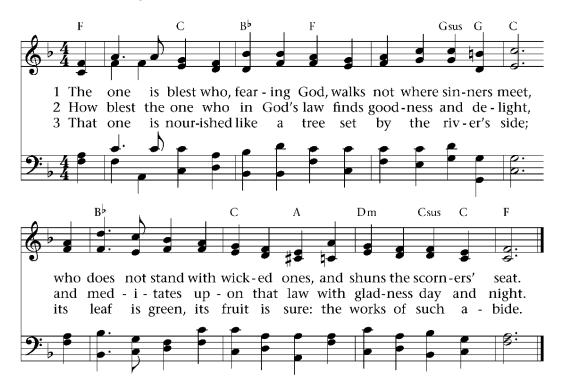
*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

#### All Thanks be to God.

#### Paraphrase of Psalm 1

Please stand as you are able and sing.

"The One is Blest" | Psalms for All Seasons



- 4 The wicked, like the driven chaff, are swept from off the land; they shall not gather with the just, nor at the judgment stand.
- 5 The LORD will guard the righteous well, their way to God is known; the way of sinners, far from God, shall surely be o'erthrown.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Words: Psalter, 1912, alt. 1985, P.D.

Music (WINCHESTER OLD 8.6.8.6): attr. George Kirbye, 1592, P.D.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Lector A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ--whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

#### The Season of Epiphany

The Epiphany season is seen as a continuation of the Christmas season, and the length depends on the Easter date. In many Protestant denominations, the Epiphany season begins on January 6, and continues until the day before Ash Wednesday (which begins Lent). The three main events during this season are the visit of the Magi, the baptism of Jesus, Jesus's miracle at the marriage at Cana. The gospel readings describe such events in order to manifest the divinity of Jesus and His teachings. The liturgy stops looking back to Christmas and begins looking forward towards the Passion (Easter). Our liturgical color for this season is green. From our Church of England roots the Epiphany season is seen as an Ordinary Time and so green is the preferred color. This is a time to live out our Christian faith with the meaning of Christ's resurrection in our ordinary life.

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Please stand as you are able and sing.

*The Hymnal 1982* #632



William Walsham How (1823-1897), alt.

The Gospel Luke 6:17-26

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

#### All Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus came down with the twelve apostles and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

"Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now,

for you will laugh.

"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets."

"But woe to you who are rich,

for you have received your consolation.

"Woe to you who are full now,

for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,

for you will mourn and weep.

"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. Jon Scarffe

Celebrant In 325, 1,700 years ago, 300 bishops from around the world gathered in Nicaea (modern Turkey). They debated and defined the three parts of the Trinity. Thus a statement of faith was created. Let us stand, and affirm our common faith in these words of the Nicene Creed.

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.

#### The Prayers of the People

Celebrant After each bidding, you may offer your own prayers, silently or aloud.

Lector

We ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishop(s) Mark, Gayle, and Bud; for our clergy Brent, Jon, and Steve; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church. Silence

We ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace. Silence

We ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble. Silence

We ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him. Silence

We ask your prayers for the departed, pray for those who have died. Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day. Silence

Celebrant O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Silence may be kept. Please remain standing as you are able.

#### The Confession of Sin & Absolution

Book of Common Prayer p. 360

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

All 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.

Celebrant 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

Book of Common Prayer p. 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

Offertory Anthem

Parish Choir

Doxology

Welcome and Announcements

## The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

Book of Common Prayer p. 376

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

- Ephesians 5:2

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"Domine Deus Rex Caelestis" *Gloria* John Rutter

Keely Borland, Abigail Stinnett, Caroline Whisnant, Soloists

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.

*The Hymnal 1982* #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. Amen.

#### **Eucharistic Prayer C**

Book of Common Prayer p. 369

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

All Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the

planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

All By your will they were created and have their being.

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory,

reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed

your trust; and we turned against one another.

All Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your

righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill

your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

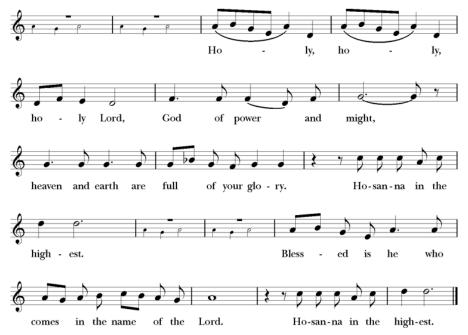
All By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

Celebrant And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and

martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim

with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

#### Sanctus & Benedictus



Setting: William Mathias (b. 1934)

You may remain standing or kneeling as you prefer.

Celebrant And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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 Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

All We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Celebrant Lord God of our Mothers and Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

All Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Celebrant Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

#### All Amen.

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, (in the language of your heart.)

#### The Lord's Prayer

Book of Common Prayer p. 364

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.

Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu Nombre, venga tu reino, hágase tu voluntad, en la tierra como en el cielo.

Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.

Perdona nuestras ofensas, como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden.

No nos dejes caer en tentación y líbranos del mal.

Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre. Amén.

#### The Breaking of the Bread

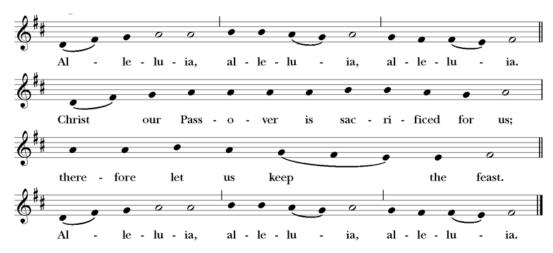
Book of Common Prayer p. 364

#### Fraction Anthem

All sing.

"Christ our Passover"

The Hymnal 1982 S 154



Setting: From New Plainsong; David Hurd (b. 1950)

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

#### Communion Instructions for 10:30 a.m. Services

Communion from the Common Cup is available from the Main Altar only. Communion by intinction is available at the lectern station and for those who are seated in the pews. If you prefer to receive the sacrament while seated in the congregation, please raise your bulletin and the Eucharistic Ministers will bring the sacrament to you. For a gluten-free wafer, please bring a blue gluten-free card from the pew rack to the altar rail. If you do not wish to receive Communion, you may come forward for a blessing.

- Communicants will drink from the Chalice at the Altar in the church. Alternatively, communicants who receive the Bread may refrain from drinking from the Chalice; those who refrain from drinking from the Chalice are encouraged to cross their arms and to say "Amen" when the Chalice is offered. The full grace of the sacrament is communicated through the Bread.
- Intinction will be offered only at the base of the chancel steps beneath the lectern. The Priest will intinct the Bread into the Common Cup, while the Chalice Bearer assists them. We will use a larger size wafer to facilitate intinction. After receiving, exit to the left to make your way back to your pew. The same intinction method will be observed in the pews.

Communion Hymn 1

"Let Us Break Bread Together" | The Hymnal 1982 #325

Communion Hymn 2

"Let Thy Blood in Mercy Poured" | The Hymnal 1982 #313

**Post-Communion Prayer** 

Book of Common Prayer p. 365

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant Let us pray.

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

Celebrant The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, of and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

#### Recessional Hymn

Please stand as you are able and sing.

The Hymnal 1982 #423



Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908), alt.

#### The Dismissal

Celebrant Friends, life is short and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us so be swift to love, make haste to be kind and go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Postlude "Go Down, Moses" Arr. by W.C. Handy, Adapt. by Walter C. Simon

Dr. Elizabeth Melcher Davis, Organist

#### Flowers at the Altar

The flowers at the altar are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Marguerite Warwick Davenport Lord, Huntley Gibson Davenport, Byrd Warwick Davenport, Jr., John Sidney Davenport, IV, and Martha Davenport Reed by Bradfute W. Davenport, Jr.



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#### **Today's Worship Participants**

The Rev. Jon Scarffe, Preacher & Celebrant
The Rev. Steve Pace, Deacon
Dr. Elizabeth Melcher Davis, Choirmaster & Organist
Stanley M. Baker, Assistant Choirmaster & Organist
Jane Chaffin, Annette Hook, Abigail Stinnett, Chalice Bearers
Ann Gray, Annette Hook, Lectors

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#### **Upcoming Events**

Sunday 02/22 8:00 a.m. Vestry Retreat (Roslyn Conference Center)

Sunday 02/23 9:00 a.m. Parish Forum: Make Anglican Prayer Beads with Father Jon\*

(Following 8:00 a.m. Worship | First Floor Classroom)

\*The remaining bead kits will be available after the forum in the Parish Hall.

Sunday 02/23 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion with Greater Richmond Children's Choir

(During 10:30 a.m. Worship | Church)

Wednesday 02/26 12:00 p.m. Stories & Lunch hosted by GHTC (The Pace Center)

Saturday 03/01 Belize Mission Trip Begins

Sunday 03/02 10:30 a.m. Children & Youth Sunday with Children's Choir\*

(During 10:30 a.m. Worship | Church)

Sunday 03/02 11:45 a.m. Mardi Gras Reception (Following 10:30 a.m. Worship | Parish Hall)

Wednesday 03/05 11:00 a.m. Ash Wednesday (Chapel)

Wednesday 03/05 2:00 p.m. Ashes-to-Go (Monroe Park)

Wednesday 03/05 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday\* (Church)

Saturday 03/08 4:00 p.m. A Musical Offering: A Lenten Recital in the Gibson Memorial Chapel\*

(Reception to Follow in Parish Hall | Chapel) \*Free Admission

#### Save the Date

Wednesday 03/19 9:00 a.m. Episcopal Church Women Diocese Lenten Retreat with Bishop Goff\*

(Parish Hall & Church) \*Livestream Available for Healing Service & Reflection

Thursday 03/20 10:30 a.m. Westminster Canterbury Worship & Lunch

(Westminster Canterbury Richmond)

Friday 03/21 TBD Parish-wide Vision Summit for Children & Youth Formation (Parish Hall)

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- 2. At the parking gate arm, press the button to receive a ticket.
- 3. Park in any available space in the deck.
- 4. After visiting Grace & Holy Trinity, exit the parking deck in your vehicle and scan your parking ticket into the machine at the parking gate arm.
- 5. When the machine asks for payment, hold the QR code to the scanner.
- 6. The machine will scan the code, accept it as payment, and the parking gate arm will raise in order for you to exit.

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