

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY A SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION FEBRUARY 23, 2025, 10:30 A.M.

Welcome to Grace Episcopal Cathedral!

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

PRELUDE: Ricercar Ottavo Tono Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-94)

Procession Hymn 657: Love divine, all loves excelling

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The service begins on page 355 in the red Book of Common Prayer.

OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

GLORIA S280: Canticle 20 (found in the front of the Hymnal) Robert Powell (1932-2025)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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. **Amen.**

Congregation is seated.

THE FIRST READING: Genesis 45:3-11,15

Toseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could J 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.

After the reading, Thanks be to God.

PSALM 37 Noli æmulari BCP 633 Sung by the Cathedral Choir

THE SECOND READING: 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.

After the reading, Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able.

THE GOSPEL: Luke 6:27-38

Before the Gospel, 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."

After the Gospel, Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED BCP 358, Standing as able.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Holy God, you have promised to turn our hearts from stone to flesh; to give us life through the power of your love, and to hear our hopes and needs. In your infinite care and wisdom, answer these prayers lifted to you as best for us and your kingdom.

For the people of God everywhere, that they be beacons of hope whose light shines forth to dispel fears and hate. We pray especially for St. Martin in the Fields, Edwardsville, and Christ Church Cathedral, Vancouver, BC.

Holy God in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For those in authority over our lives: may they choose to wield their power for the common good and with respect for the dignity of all people.

Holy God in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For those in our lives who have caused us pain and hurt; lead them to an awareness of their impact and lead us to the path of forgiveness where those hurts have no hold on us. Holy God in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For our local communities, our neighbors, our coworkers, and our classmates; help us to sow the seeds of your Kingdom in our daily interactions.

Holy God in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For our beleaguered earth, the garden where you have placed us; grant us wisdom as we discern how to be worthy stewards of this gift, and give us inspiration to preserve it. Holy God in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For all who live in pain, sickness, fear, or dread; sustain them with your grace to bear their suffering with courage. Give us the awareness and willingness to be their companions and caregivers. We pray especially for Kay, Kitty, Arceile, Jenny, Sawyer, Bob, Ashley, Alicia, Cecilia, Nancy, Shirley, Marvin, Kathy, and Guy Mordeaux RIP. Holy God in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Hold in your care those who have died: welcome us into your eternal arms when our time comes, and let us all rise together in your new age. In our Permanent Flower Memorials, we remember Judith Waugh, Nelle Clough, Annette Reed, Willard Monahan, Alice Curtis, and Joyce Morales.

Holy God in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Celebrant adds a Concluding Collect

CONFESSION OF SIN, BCP 360

THE PEACE Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Congregation is seated.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE: Put your trust in the Lord and do good; take delight in the Lord, and he shall give you your heart's desire.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: Greater Love Hath No Man

John Ireland (1879-1962)

The Cathedral Choir

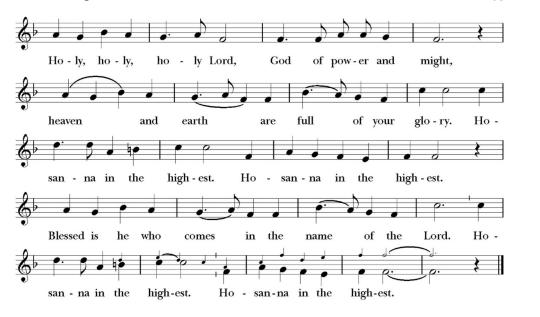
Many waters cannot quench Love, neither can the floods drown it. Love is strong as death. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Who His own Self bare our sins in His own Body on the tree, that we, being dead to sings, should live unto righteousness. Ye are washed, ye are sanctified, ye are justified, in the Name of the Lord Jesus; ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation. That ye should shew forth the praises of Him Who hath called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies, a living sacrifice, holy acceptable unto God which is your service.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer A, BCP 361, Standing as able.

The Sanctus: S125

Richard Proulx (1937-2010)



THE LORD'S PRAYER



Gerald Near (b. 1942)



COMMUNION

All are welcome! Communion is available at the altar rail or at the crossing. To receive a blessing from the priest, come forward and cross your arms over your chest. Signal a server if you need to remain in your pew but wish to partake. After receiving communion, Prayer Ministers will be in St. Mary's Chapel for private prayer.

Please stand as you are able.

COMMUNION MUSIC: Sollt ich meinem Gott nicht singen from *Kleines Orgelbuch*

Ernst Pepping (1901-81)

The Cathedral Choir

Postcommunion Hymn 304: I come with joy

LAND OF REST

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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

PROCESSION HYMN 390: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ!

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: Prealudium und Fuge in G minor

Nikolaus Bruhns (1665-97)

MINISTERS TODAY

Celebrant: The Reverend Sarah Shipman, *Curate* **Preacher:** The Reverend David Jenkins

Deacon: The Reverend Don Chubb

Vergers: Elizabeth Massey, Kent Wingerson **Ushers:** Team 2, Tom Harrington, *Capt.*

Acolytes: Team 2, Max McKibben Capt. Organist: Donald Livingston

Eucharistic Ministers: Sam Todwong, **Choirmaster:** Dr. Eduardo García-Novelli RuthEllen Saiya, Michael Massey **Associate Choirmaster:** Zachary Cope

Lector: Betsy McGuire Sound/Lights: Mason Vosburgh Altar Guild: Group C, Kelly Wingerson, Capt. Livestream: Connie Vosburgh

CATHEDRAL PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Grief Support Group - Meeting Today: After a recent adult formation presentation on grief, it became apparent that many may be interested in a Grief Support Group. Gweneth McClain, a Grief Counselor with years of experience and leader of our Stephen Ministry, has offered to lead the group. She suggests meeting weekly for 6-8 weeks.

An organizational meeting will be held Sunday, February 23, after the 10:30 service in the Robyn Room to discuss interest and set a schedule. All are welcome to attend. If you're unable to attend, please contact Ruth Ohm (785-806-7943) or Gweneth (785-506-6929).

Great Spaces Concert *Te Deum Palestrina* **TODAY:** On Sunday, February 23 at 3:00 p.m., celebrate the 500th birthday of Palestrina, the unrivaled master of sacred polyphony. This program features his exquisite works alongside pieces by his students and contemporary compositions inspired by his enduring legacy. Tickets available online at GreatSpaces.org or at the door.

Bites & Beverages: Saturday, March 1 at 5 p.m. in All Saints Hall

Enjoy an evening of bites, beverages, and great company. Bring your favorite appetizer, finger food, dip, or dessert, and pair it with your favorite beverage. Prizes will be awarded to the top voted food and beverage.

You are Invited: Please join us as we begin to discern and proclaim God's dream of the Beloved

Community of Grace Cathedral.

Place: Bubb Room (just down the hall...follow the sign)

Date: Sunday, March 2

Time: Noon (after the 10:30 service) *a light lunch will be provided*

- Kay+ and LeRoy Dagg and Deacon Carl Edwards

Contemplative Mandala Workshop at Sophia Center in Atchison

The Contemplative Mandala workshop, Friday, March 7 from 10 am - 3 pm, introduces a simple method of spiritual art that is prayerful, relational, and insightful. One need not know how to draw to be successful at creating with the contemplative mandala method. "Contemplative" is to let go and let the mandala grow, to reveal.

To sign up for the Mandala Retreat, register online at https://
form.jotform.com/250215954171150. The Sophia Center is at Mt St Scholastica Monastery in Atchison. If you have more questions please contact Lsenuta.com/250215954171150. The Sophia Center is at Mt St Scholastica Monastery in Atchison. If you have more questions please contact Lsenuta.com/250215954171150. The Sophia Center is at Mt St Scholastica Monastery in Atchison. If you have more questions please contact Lsenuta.com/250215954171150.

Sharing Table Donations: Thank you to those supplying items most of us take for granted. Please know that your gifts are helping our neighbors in need. Here's a list of current needs: deodorant, body lotion, body wash, chapstick, toothpaste, razors, shaving cream, pain reliever, bar soap. No clothing donations, please. You are invited to visit us the first Saturday of the month to see what goes on and to meet some of our neighbors. We are looking for a few more volunteers for our rotating schedule. Contact Melissa Weikel, 785-215-0501, or Ministry

In the interest of creating a peaceful and prayerful space for worship, at five minutes before worship begins, or just before the prelude, a bell will ring. This is the signal to refrain from conversation so that you and others may prepare for worship through prayer, meditation and thoughtful silence.

Book of Common Prayer (BCP) = red book Hymnal = blue book

We'd love to connect with you. Please fill out a visitor information card from the pew rack and drop it in the collection box on your way out today.

Sound equipment for the hearing-impaired is available. Inquire with an usher.

Restrooms are located in the hallway to the west. Next to the nursery you will find a family restroom with a changing table.

A staffed nursery is available today, down the hallway to your right. Ask an usher to assist you.

Connect with us and learn more about who we are at www.gracecathedraltopeka.org.

To make a gift, visit www.GiveToGrace.org.

Note: Please be aware that this service will be live-streamed on YouTube and Facebook.

