

# The 7th Sunday after Epiphany

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Holy Communion



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## WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

**If you are new** to our congregation, please let us know by getting a name tag at the Welcome Center outside and completing a newcomer card, found either at the Welcome Center or in the pew rack in front of you.

**Childcare is available:** During the service, infants to age 5 are welcome in the Nursery, located on the first floor of the education wing, accessed through the double doors near the elevator.

We have **gluten-free wafers** available: Please make your request known at the altar rail.

**Restrooms are located** to the right as you go through the arch off the breezeway.

**Hymn numbers** listed in the bulletin are referencing *The Hymnal 1982*, found in the pew rack.

**Following the service** we welcome everyone for coffee and refreshments in Kirk Hall, located on the first floor. Turn right after passing through the arch off the passageway between the buildings.

A gentle reminder: As a courtesy during the church service, please be sure to turn your **cell phone off** or put it on the vibrate setting.

## GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

### PRELUDE

*The Peace May Be Exchanged*

D. Locklair

*[Please stand when the chimes sound.]*

### GATHERING HYMN

*Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word*

440, vs. 1,3

***Blessèd Jesus, at thy word we are gathered all to hear thee;  
let our hearts and souls be stirred now to seek and love and fear thee;  
by thy teachings pure and holy, drawn from earth to love thee solely.***

***Gracious Lord, thyself impart! Light of Light, from God proceeding,  
open thou our ears and heart, help us by thy Spirit's pleading.  
Hear the cry thy Church upraises; hear, and bless our prayers and praises.***

### WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MISSION MOMENT

*[Please be seated.]*

### ACCLAMATION

*[Please stand.]*

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

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

- A** **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.**

### HYMN OF PRAISE

*Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies*

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***Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true, the only Light,  
Sun of Righteousness, arise! Triumph o'er the shades of night:  
Dayspring from on high, be near; Daystar, in my heart appear.***

***Dark and cheerless is the morn unaccompanied by thee;  
joyless is the day's return, till thy mercy's beams I see,  
till they inward light impart, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.***

***Visit then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!  
Fill me, radiancy divine; scatter all my unbelief;  
more and more thyself display, shining to the perfect day.***

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray... O Lord Jesus, make us instruments of your peace, that where there is hatred, we may sow love, where there is injury, pardon, and where there is despair, hope. Grant, O divine master, that we may seek to console, to understand, and to love in your name, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## WORD OF GOD

**THE READINGS:** Genesis 50:5–21 • Psalm 37:1–12,41–42 • Colossians 3:8–17 • Luke 6:27–38

*[Please be seated.]*

### The First Reading

**L** *The First Reading is taken from Genesis, chapter 50...*

When Joseph's brothers realized that their father was now dead, they said, "What if Joseph bears a grudge against us, and wants to pay us back seriously for all of the terrible things we did to him?" So they approached Joseph and said, "Your father gave orders before he died, telling us, 'This is what you should say to Joseph. "Please, forgive your brothers' sins and misdeeds, for they did terrible things to you. Now, please forgive the sins of the servants of your father's God."'" Joseph wept when they spoke to him.

His brothers wept too, fell down in front of him, and said, "We're here as your slaves."

But Joseph said to them, "Don't be afraid. Am I God? You planned something bad for me, but God produced something good from it, in order to save the lives of many people, just as he's doing today. Now, don't be afraid. I will take care of you and your children." So he put them at ease and spoke reassuringly to them.

**L** The Word of the Lord

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm: *[sing to the tune: O God, Our Help in Ages Past]*

*[Please remain seated.]*

**Fret not for those who do bad things, Who from God's path have strayed;  
For they shall wither like the grass And like the green grass fade.**

**Trust God, do good, dwell in the land, And let your wealth increase;  
Take your delight in God and then Your heart will find true peace.**

**Commit your journey to the Lord; Trust God, it will be done;  
Your righteousness will then shine forth, As clear as noontday sun.**

**God is a refuge for the just And brings deliverance;  
The Lord will help and rescue those Who trust in God's defense.**

The Second Reading:

📖 *The Second Reading is taken from Colossians, chapter 3...*

But now set aside these things, such as anger, rage, malice, slander, and obscene language. Don't lie to each other. Take off the old human nature with its practices and put on the new nature, which is renewed in knowledge by conforming to the image of the one who created it. In this image there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcised nor uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave nor free, but Christ is all things and in all people.

Therefore, as God's choice, holy and loved, put on compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. Be tolerant with each other and, if someone has a complaint against anyone, forgive each other. As the Lord forgave you, so also forgive each other. And over all these things put on love, which is the perfect bond of unity. The peace of Christ must control your hearts—a peace into which you were called in one body. And be thankful people. The word of Christ must live in you richly. Teach and warn each other with all wisdom by singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs. Sing to God with gratitude in your hearts. Whatever you do, whether in speech or action, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus and give thanks to God the Father through him.

📖 The Word of the Lord.

📖 **Thanks be to God.**

**ACCLAMATION**

[Please stand.]

*Epiphany Alleluia*

*sing two times*

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of two staves each. The lyrics are: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!" The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a strong emphasis on the word "Alleluia". The first system covers the first two phrases, and the second system covers the last two phrases. The score ends with a double bar line.

The Gospel:

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

🔊 **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

▮ [Jesus said,] “But I say to you who are willing to hear: Love your enemies. Do good to those who hate you. Bless those who curse you. Pray for those who mistreat you. If someone slaps you on the cheek, offer the other one as well. If someone takes your coat, don’t withhold your shirt either. Give to everyone who asks and don’t demand your things back from those who take them. Treat people in the same way that you want them to treat you.

“If you love those who love you, why should you be commended? Even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, why should you be commended? Even sinners do that. If you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, why should you be commended? Even sinners lend to sinners expecting to be paid back in full. Instead, love your enemies, do good, and lend expecting nothing in return. If you do, you will have a great reward. You will be acting the way children of the Most High act, for he is kind to ungrateful and wicked people. Be compassionate just as your Father is compassionate.

“Don’t judge, and you won’t be judged. Don’t condemn, and you won’t be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. Give, and it will be given to you. A good portion—packed down, firmly shaken, and overflowing—will fall into your lap. The portion you give will determine the portion you receive in return.”

▮ The Gospel of the Lord.

🔊 **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**SERMON**

*[Please be seated.]*

Cindy Roehl

**SERMON HYMN**

*Father Eternal* [Tune: *O, Zion Haste*]

[Please stand.]

***Father eternal, Ruler of creation,  
Spirit of Life, which moved ere form was made,  
through the thick darkness covering every nation,  
light to our blindness, O, be thou our aid.***

Refrain           ***Lord, may thy kingdom come, thy will be done.  
Thy kingdom come, Father, and thy will be done!***

***Races and peoples, lo, we stand divided,  
and, sharing not our griefs, no joy can share,  
by wars and tumults love is mocked, derided;  
his saving cross no nation yet will bear:*** Refrain

***Envious of heart, blindeyed with tongues confounded,  
nation by nation still goes unforgiven,  
clinging to pride and temporal possessions,  
building proud towers which shall not reach to heaven.*** Refrain

***How shall we love thee, holy hidden Being,  
if we love not the world which thou hast made:  
Bind us in thine own love for better seeing  
thy Word made flesh, and in a manger laid.*** Refrain

**THE NICENE CREED**

**¶ 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

*[Please sit, stand, or kneel, as you prefer.]*

- Ⓓ Let us pray for the Church and for the world.
- Ⓕ Lord Jesus, we pray for your church around the world. Heal the divisions among those who call on your name, so that in spite of our differences we may be a powerful witness to your self-giving love.
- Ⓖ **Renew us, that we may share your mercy and grace.**
  
- Ⓕ Good Shepherd, we pray for leaders all around the globe, including those who set public policy, those who guide people, and those who serve in the armed forces. Help our leaders to care for the least among us, the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the poor, the sick and those in prison.
- Ⓖ **Renew us, that we may learn your justice and peace.**
  
- Ⓕ Great Physician, comfort, soothe and bless those who endure sickness, grief or trouble. We pray especially for *[read names in notebook]* and for those we name, aloud or silently *[leave time...]*. We ask that all your children be kept safe from harm.
- Ⓖ **Renew us, that we may never weary of reaching out to help those who suffer.**
  
- Ⓕ Giver of all Good Gifts, we give you our deep thanks for the good things of this life: the flowers given today to the Glory of God by Butch and Diane Niford in honor of the engagement of Nikki and Damien; and by Cal and Marilyn Ringquist in memory of Donna Lynn Ringquist; for people who have reached out to us when we were hungry, thirsty, lonely, afraid, sick or in one of life's many prisons, and for *[read blessings in notebook...]* We ask you to bless all who are worshipping with us for the first time this month.
- Ⓖ **Renew us, that we may be a blessing to this world.**
  
- Ⓕ Eternal God, bless and receive home those who have died *[especially ... read names in notebook]* and those we now name aloud or in our hearts *[leave time...]*. We pray for those who have died in political violence around the world.
- Ⓖ **Renew us, that we may have the compassion to weep with those who weep.**
  
- Ⓕ Creating God, fill us with your Holy Spirit.
- Ⓖ **Renew us, that we may live in a way that truly honors your image in us, our baptism in you, and our connection with each other. Amen.**

## PRAYERS AND BLESSINGS

### THE GREETING OF PEACE

*[Please stand.]*

- Ⓓ The peace of the Lord be always with you.
- Ⓖ **And also with you.** *[All may greet one another in the name of the Lord.]*

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## OFFERTORY SENTENCE

- ☐ I appeal to you, sisters and brothers, by the mercies of God, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Bring your offerings with a cheerful heart.

## OFFERTORY

*Deep Peace*

D. Barton

*[Please be seated.]*

## PRESENTATION

*[Please stand when the offering plates are given to the Deacon.]*

- ☐ We gladly present the fruits of our lives to the God who creates us, redeems us and sustains us. May we have the grace to use them to heal God's world.

## PRESENTATION HYMN

*Son of God, Eternal Savior*

- ☐ **As you, Lord, have lived for others, so may we for others live.  
Freely have your gifts been granted; freely may your servants give.  
Yours the gold and yours the silver, yours the wealth of land and sea;  
we but stewards of your bounty held in solemn trust will be.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Enriching Our Worship, Eucharistic Prayer 3

☐ The Lord be with you.

☑ **And also with you.**

☐ Lift up your hearts.

☑ **We lift them to the Lord.**

☐ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

☑ **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

☐ All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; you brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey. Through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, in whom we are built up as living stones of a holy temple, that we might offer before you a sacrifice of praise and prayer which is holy and pleasing in your sight. And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

- ☑ **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are 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.**

*[Please stand or kneel, as you choose.]*

- ☐ Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.



- Ⓟ We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

- ☩ **Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life.**

**Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

**Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.**

- Ⓟ Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

- ☩ **Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.**

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

- Ⓟ 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

- Ⓟ The living Bread is broken for the life of the world.

- ☩ **Lord, unite us in this foretaste of the feast to come.**

*All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly*

***All who hunger, gather gladly; holy manna is our bread.***

***Come from wilderness and wand'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.***

***You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food.***

***Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.***

- Ⓟ 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.

[You may be seated. All are welcome at the Lord's Table. Please follow the directions of the usher, who will let you know when it's your turn to go to the altar rail. You may stand or kneel. To receive, hold your hands in front of you, one palm over the other. The priest will place a wafer there. You may either consume it immediately, and then sip from the cup of wine when it comes to you, or, you may wait and dip the wafer into the wine. When you are finished, please return to your seat by the side aisle.]

**Our Prayer Team will be in the south narthex (at the back of the church) during Holy Communion to pray with you for healing, guidance, a loved one, or anything else on your heart.**

### COMMUNION MUSIC

[Please remain seated.]

### COMMUNION CHANT

*Holy Spirit, Come to Us*

[Please repeat this chant until the musician stops playing the tune.]

**Holy Spirit, come to us, kindle in us the fire of your love.**

**Holy Spirit, come to us, Holy Spirit, come to us.**

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

[Please stand or kneel, as you choose.]

☐ Let us pray...

☑ **Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

### THE BLESSING

[Please stand.]

☐ Beloved, life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us, so be quick to love and make haste to be kind. As you leave this place, the blessing of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you, now and forever.

☑ **Amen.**

### SENDING HYMN

*Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing*

**Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace;**

**let us each, thy love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace:**

**O refresh us, O refresh us traveling through this wilderness.**

**Thanks we give and adoration for thy Gospel's joyful sound:  
may the fruits of thy salvation in our hearts and lives abound:  
ever faithful, ever faithful to thy truth may we be found;**

### THE DISMISSAL

☐ Go in peace, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

☑ **Thanks be to God!**

### POSTLUDE

*Allegro Maestoso*

G.F. Handel

## SERVING US TODAY

**Celebrant** ..... Becky Robbins-Penniman  
**Deacon** ..... Cindy Roehl  
**Priest Associate** ..... Ann Chaplin  
**Organist** ..... Robert Moncrief  
**Acolyte** ..... Pat Cates  
**Chalicists** ..... Joe Nixon  
..... Miriam Benitez-Nixon  
**Lectors** ..... Isabelle Schueler  
..... Judy Warner  
**Prayers of the People** ..... Miriam Benitez-Nixon  
**Prayer Team** ..... Butch Niford and Diane Niford  
**Greeters** ..... Hilda Myers  
..... Dottie Bellavance  
**Ushers** ..... Marc Jacobson  
..... Dan Little  
**Sunday School** ..... Carey Cherivtch  
**Nursery** ..... Dayana Mosquera  
**Welcome Center** .... Hank and Marilyn Nalewajek  
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**Building & Grounds** ..... Pat Cates

