# The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

February 19, 2023 8:00 AM Service

Holy Communion: Rite I





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Services: Sunday at 8 and 10 AM • Wednesday at 6 PM Our Sunday 10:00 AM service is livestreamed

# WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

Masks are recommended, but not required.

**Restrooms:** Handicap-accessible restrooms are located to the right as you go up the ramp through the archway across from the doors of the sanctuary.

We have gluten-free wafers available: Please request one when you come to the altar rail.

**Standing, sitting, and kneeling:** Throughout the bulletin, there are invitations to stand, sit or kneel, as you choose. You are free to be seated at any time when that is best for you.

A gentle Reminder: Please enter the Nave Quietly and reverently and silence your phones.

#### **GATHERING FOR WORSHIP**

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please remain seated.

#### ACCLAMATION

Please stand.

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

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

#### **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

All Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

CelebrantAllCelebrantCelebrantLord, have mercy upon us.Lord, have mercy upon us.

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.*People* And with thy Spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray... O God, who before the passion of your only begotten Son revealed his

glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you

and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

### THE WORD OF GOD

Please be seated.

# THE FIRST READING Exodus 24:12-18

Lector The First Reading is taken from Exodus chapter 24...

The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur

are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them." Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

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

#### PSALM 99

Lector We will read responsively Psalm 99
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Lector	The Lord is King; let the people tremble; he is enthroned upon the cherubim;
	let the earth shake.

Lector	Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; he is the Holy One.
People	"O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have

executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."

Lector Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and fall down before his footstool; he is the Holy One.

People Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.

Lector He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.

People O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.

Lector Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and worship him upon his holy hill; for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

### THE SECOND READING

2 Peter 1:16-21

Lector The Second Reading is taken from Second Peter chapter 1...

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

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

THE GOSPEL Matthew 17:1-9

Please stand.

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

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Deacon Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

**SERMON** The Rev. Deacon Cindy Roehl

#### **NICENE CREED** Please stand.

People

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.

Deacon

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Lector

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all humanity receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. God of Light and Life,

People

We pray to you.

Lector

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops, especially to Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Douglas, our Bishop; Barry and Michael, our Assisting Bishops; Whitney, our Rector; Cindy, our Deacon; to our companion diocese of the Dominican Republic; to these Episcopal Churches in our Diocese; St. Mary's, Palmetto; Church of the Apostles, Parrish; Church of the Nativity, Sarasota; Church of the Redeemer, Sarasota; St. Boniface, Siesta Key; St. Margaret of Scotland, Sarasota, and St. Wilfred's, Sarasota; and to all priests, deacons, and the laity in their ministry; that they

may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. God of Light and Life,

People We pray to you.

Lector And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. God of Light and Life,

People We pray to you.

Lector We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially our elected leaders, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world. We pray that all God's children, especially those in the Middle East, might live in the hope of the world peace for which we are created. God of Light and Life,

People We pray to you.

Lector And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor [Add handwritten names from notebook] and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially those listed in the weekly news who have asked for our prayers. I now invite you to pray for others by name, aloud or in your hearts. [Leave time...] God of Light and Life,

People We pray to you.

Lector Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty. We give thanks for the flowers given to the Glory of God, and for all the blessings of this life, especially the birthdays this coming week of for Sandy Kneen and Susan Glowa, and also for the anniversary this week of Dave & Melinda Dube. God of Light and Life,

People We pray to you.

Lector And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, [especially... add names from notebook]. Please add names of those on your heart, silently or aloud. [Leave time...] We beseech thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. God of Light and Life,

People We pray to you.

Lector Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

People AMEN.

#### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Please kneel or stand.

Deacon Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God. [Silence is kept.] Most merciful

God,

People We confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by

what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy

ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised

forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ

our Lord.

People Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE Please stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

#### **OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

Please be seated.

## PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING

Deacon As we receive these gifts, we acknowledge

People All things come from thee, O Lord and of thine own have we given thee.

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer II

CelebrantPeopleCelebrantThe Lord be with you.And with thy spirit.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

Celebrant (Here a proper preface is read.)

Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

People Holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Please kneel or stand, as you choose.

Celebrant All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me." Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory. And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

Celebrant and People And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

*Celebrant* By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

People AMEN.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

People

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.

#### BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are invited to receive the Sacrament. If you would like to receive wine you may do so by sipping from the chalice or allowing the Eucharistic Minister to intinct (dip) the wafer for you.

If you desire a blessing instead of Communion, cross your arms over your chest.

#### **COMMUNION**

#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Celebrant Let us pray.

People Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us,

in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without

end. Amen.

#### THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Please stand. Celebrant

People Amen.

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God!

#### **CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

#### SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant The Rev. Whitney Burton

Deacon The Rev. Cindy Roehl

Crucifer/Chalicist Cheryl Sharpe

Lector Tony Bowman

Prayers of the People Cheryl Sharpe

Ushers Joe & Betty Lombardo

### Prayers are requested for:

The Week of Feb 12 – Harold & Bob, Bill GW, Elena G, Carol C, Marcie, Linda B, Eileen S, Carolyn H, Bill G, Steve E, Elliot T, Jamie, Randy, Eileen S, Lou F, Heather S, Bonnie L, Milly L, Barbara B, Maggie, Pam F, Jim & Marilyn, Brent S, Marcia K, Adriana P, Bob B, Cindy T, Debbie, Jean T, Christopher J.

**Celebrations this week: Birthdays –** Sandy Kneen, and Susan Glowa.

**Anniversary** – Dave & Melinda Dube.

#### Announcements

**Bagzilla collections this week for:** Dunedin Cares, Inc. Food Pantry. Please place donation items in tubs for collection.

**Patio Pavers:** We are accepting orders for patio pavers through the month of February. If you would like to leave your legacy at COGS by purchasing an engraved commemorative paver, please check our website for details and forms or contact the church office.

**Ash Wednesday:** We hope that you will join us for services on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 22 at 12:00 PM or 6:00 PM (this service will include music and be live-streamed).

**Adult Formation:** All are welcome to join our adult formation classes on Sundays 9:15 – 9:45 am. During Lent we will have a Lenten devotion during this time.

Conversations with Jesus: A Lenten Study Series - We hope you will join us at 6:00 PM Wednesdays in Lent (Mar. 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29) for Worship, Study, and Eucharist in the church followed by an opportunity for fellowship and soup supper in Kirk Hall. Children's programming is also provided. Please check the website or contact the church office for more information.

