

ST. GEORGE'S ON-THE-HILL ANGLICAN CHURCH

The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany

Sun, February 23, 2025, 10:30am Eucharist

The crèche (nursery) is downstairs and is attended by Renata (RECE). All babies and young children are welcome!

Welcome & Announcements

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

We gather with song and prayer as the People of God

Processional Hymn: #353 My God, How Endless Is Your Love

PLEASE STAND

- 1 My God, how endless is your love! Your gifts are every evening new,
And morning mercies from above gently distil, like early dew.
- 2 You spread the curtains of the night, great Guardian of my sleeping hours;
Your sovereign Word restores the light, and quickens all my drowsy powers.
- 3 I yield my powers to your command; to you I consecrate my days:
Perpetual blessings from your hand demand perpetual songs of praise.

The Apostolic Greeting & Collect for Purity

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Almighty God,

People: **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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.**

Song of Praise: Song of Creation (Benedicite Omnia Opera)



1. All you works of the Lord glo-ri - fy the Lord,
2. All you ang - els of God glo-ri - fy the Lord,
3. Let the earth bless the Lord, glo-ri - fy the Lord,
4. Let the peo - ple of God glo-ri - fy the Lord,
5. God - the Fa - ther, we sing: glo-ri - fy the Lord,



- In the fir - ma - ment, glo-ri - fy the Lord
Sun and moon and stars glo-ri - fy the Lord,
All you beasts of the wild glo-ri - fy the Lord,
All you ser - vants of God glo-ri - fy the Lord,
God the Son, we ex - alt: glo-ri - fy the Lord,



Praise and mag - ni - fy, glo - ry fy the
 Night and day bless the Lord, glo - ri - fy the
 All you birds of the air glo - ri - fy the
 All you hum - ble of heart glo - ri - fy the
 God the Spi - rit, we praise: glo - ri - fy the



Lord, glo - ri - fy the Lord.
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Music: J. Berthier
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The Prayer of the Day

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

We read and respond to God's message in scripture

PLEASE BE SEATED

First Reading: Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Read by John Knowles

A Reading from the Book of Genesis.

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

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)

Psalms 37 (Tune: *Old 100th* – *Doxology*)

PLEASE REMAIN SEATED & JOIN IN SINGING

Trust in the Lord, and do what's good,
 And in the land you'll dwell secure.
 Be happy in the Lord, and he
 Will give you what your heart desires.

Commit your way unto the Lord,
 Trust in him, and he will help you.
 God will save you, sure as the dawn,
 And vindicate sure as noonday.

Be still and wait for God to act.
 Don't fret o'er those who prosper while
 They go about and do what's wrong.
 Refrain from anger and from wrath.

The Lord will save the righteous ones,
 In trouble he will keep them safe.
 The Lord helps them and rescues them,
 He saves them, for he shelters them.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

Read by Janice Knowles

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Church in Corinth.

But 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 dishonour, 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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)

Gospel Acclamation

PLEASE STAND

The musical score for the Gospel Acclamation consists of three systems of staves. Each system has a treble and bass staff joined by a brace. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are as follows:

System 1:
 1. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al -
 2. Glo - ry to you, Lord Je - sus Christ! Glo - ry to you, Lord
 3. Praise be to you, Lord Je - sus Christ! Praise be to you, Lord

System 2:
 le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al -
 Je - sus Christ! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al -
 Je - sus Christ! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al -

System 3:
 le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The Holy Gospel: Luke 6:27-38

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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

People: *(sing verse 2)* **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said, "But 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."

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: *(sing verse 3)* **Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

Sermon: Fr. Andrew

(After the sermon, please keep a period of silence for reflection.)

Affirmation of Faith: The Creed of the Church of Philippi

PLEASE STAND

Presider: Let us stand and confess our faith in the words which St. Paul gave to the Church of Philippi. *(Philippians 2:6-11)*

People: **We believe that, though he was divine, Jesus did not cling to equality with God, but made himself nothing.**

Taking the form of a slave, he was born in human likeness. He humbled himself and was obedient to death, even the death of the cross.

Therefore God has raised him on high, and given him the name above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Led by John Knowles

Please respond to the petition "We pray to God," with the response, "let the light of Christ shine on us all."

All: **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.**

The Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

(We encourage you to share a sign of peace with those around you as you are comfortable.)

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

We share God's banquet of love for this community of faith

Offertory Hymn: CP #84 Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendour

PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

- 1 Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour, first begotten from the dead,
Thou alone, our strong defender, liftest up thy people's head.
Alleluia, Jesus, true and living bread!
- 2 Here our humblest homage pay we; here in loving reverence bow;
Here for faith's discernment pray we, lest we fail to know thee now.
Alleluia, thou art here, we ask not how.
- 3 Though the lowliest form doth veil thee as of old in Bethlehem,
Here as there thine angels hail thee, branch and flower of Jesse's stem.
Alleluia, we in worship join with them.
- 4 Paschal Lamb, thine offering, finished once for all when thou wast slain,
In its fullness undiminished shall for evermore remain,
Alleluia, cleansing souls from every stain.
- 5 Life-imparting heavenly Manna, stricken Rock with streaming side,
Heaven and earth with loud hosanna worship thee, the Lamb who died,
Alleluia, risen, ascended, glorified!

Prayer Over the Gifts

Eucharistic Prayer

PLEASE STAND

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 our thanks and praise.**

The Presiding Celebrant acclaims the life-giving power of God in the story of salvation and calls on us to join all creation in the song of the angels. We then sing verses 1-3 of the Sanctus as follows:

(Sing in harmony)

1. Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God of pow'r and might!
2. Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Glo - ry fills the heav'n and earth!
3. Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Bless - ed is he who comes
4. Glo-ry, glo - ry, glo - ry! Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!
5. Glo-ry, glo - ry, glo - ry! Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!



The Presiding Celebrant recounts God's continuing love in the history of humanity and in the sending of his son, Jesus Christ. We join Jesus as he celebrates his Last Supper and acclaim his giving of himself in the gifts of bread and wine. After the words over the cup and the elevation of the chalice, we sing:

People: (verse 4) **Glory, glory, glory! Glory be to you, O Lord!**
Glory, glory, glory! Hosanna in the highest!

The Presiding Celebrant calls on the Holy Spirit to bless the gifts and strengthen us until we come to share the joys of eternity. We praise God's endless love and at the elevation of the bread and cup we sing:

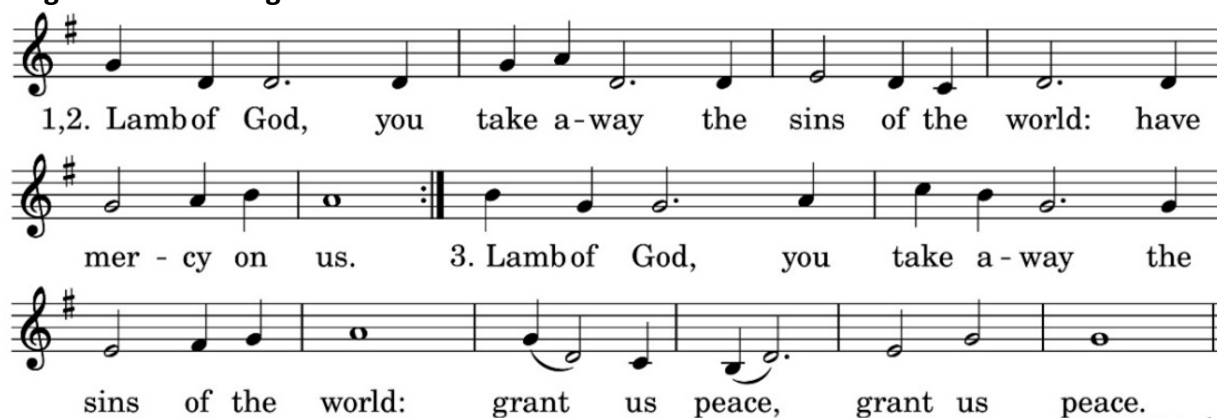
People: (verse 5) **Glory, glory, glory! Glory be to you, O Lord!**
Glory, glory, glory! Amen, amen!

Breaking of the Bread #1

Presider: "I am the bread of life," says the Lord. "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst."

All: **Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him!**

Song for the Breaking of the Bread



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Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Communion

PLEASE BE SEATED

All who seek God in Christ are welcome to receive the sacrament of holy communion. If you would prefer a blessing, simply fold your arms across your chest to indicate this. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Prayer after Communion

PLEASE STAND

Doxology

Presider: Glory to God,

All: whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn: CP #387 All Praise to Thee

PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

- 1 All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine,
Didst yield the glory that of right was thine,
That in our darkened hearts thy grace might shine:
Alleluia, alleluia!
- 2 Thou camest to us in lowliness of thought;
By thee the outcast and the poor were sought,
And by thy death was God's salvation wrought:
Alleluia, alleluia!
- 3 Let this mind be in us which was in thee,
Who wast a servant that we might be free,
Humbling thyself to death on Calvary:
Alleluia, alleluia!
- 4 Wherefore, by God's eternal purpose, thou
Art high exalted o'er all creatures now,
And given the name to which all knees shall bow:
Alleluia, alleluia!
- 5 Let every tongue confess with one accord
In heaven and earth that Jesus Christ is Lord;
And God the Father be by all adored:
Alleluia, alleluia!

Dismissal

Postlude: Laudamus Te

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