SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

February 20, 2022

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN 843 "Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive"

- 1 "Forgive our sins as we forgive," You taught us, Lord, to pray; But You alone can grant us grace To live the words we say.
- How can Your pardon reach and bless The unforgiving heart That broods on wrongs and will not let Old bitterness depart?
- In blazing light Your cross reveals The truth we dimly knew: What trivial debts are owed to us, How great our debt to You!

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+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

Stand

- lacktriangle In the name of the Father and of the lacktriangle Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

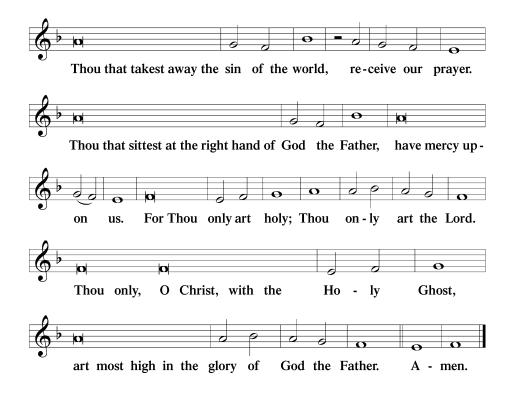
- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +





SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY



P O God, the strength of all who put their trust in You, mercifully grant that by Your power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



OLD TESTAMENT Genesis 45: 3-15 (ESV pg. 39)

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph! Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, for they were dismayed at his presence. So Joseph said to his brothers, "Come near to me, please." And they came near. And 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 yet five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. And 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 tarry. You shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, and your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. There I will provide for you, for there are yet five years of famine to come, so that you and your household, and all that you have, do not come to poverty.' And now your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see, that it is my mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father of all my honor in Egypt, and of all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, and Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them. After that his brothers talked with him.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

PSALM 103: 1-13 (ESV pg. 502) (spoken responsively)

- P Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!
- C Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits,
- P who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,
- C who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,
- P who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.
- C The Lord works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed.
- P He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel.
- C The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
- P He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever.
- C He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.
- P For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
- C as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.
- P As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.
- C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 15: 21-26, 30-42 (ESV pg. 961)

For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under ers, by my pride in you, which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die every day! What do I gain if, humanly speaking, I fought with beasts at Ephesus? If the dead are not raised, "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die." Do not be deceived: "Bad company ruins good morals." Wake up from your drunken stupor, as is right, and do not go on sinning. For some have no knowledge of God. I say this to your shame. But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" You foolish person! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And what you sow is not the body that is to be, but a bare kernel, 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. For not all flesh is the same, but there is one kind for humans, another for animals, another for birds, and another for fish. There are heavenly bodies and earthly bodies, but the glory of the heavenly is of one kind, and the glory of the earthly is of another. There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for star differs from star in glory. So is it with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable; what is raised is imperishable.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

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HOLY GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to St Luke, the sixth chapter. (vs. 27-38 ESV pg. 862)



[Jesus said:] "But I say to you who hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. To one who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from one who takes away your cloak do not withhold your tunic either. Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods do not demand them back. And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them. "If you love those who love you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you expect to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to get back the same amount. But love your enemies, and do

good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful. "Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you."

f P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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HYMN OF THE DAY 820 My Soul, Now Praise Your Maker

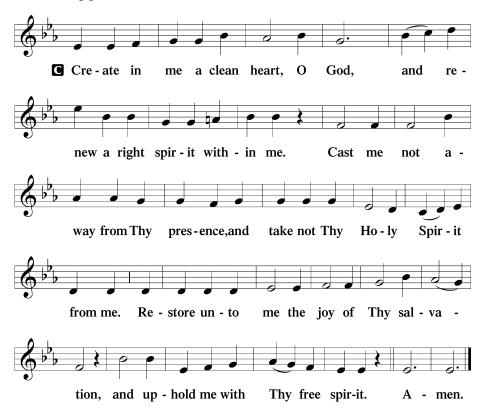
- My soul, now praise your Maker! Let all within me bless His name Who makes you full partaker Of mercies more than you dare claim. Forget Him not whose meekness Still bears with all your sin, Who heals your ev'ry weakness, Whose grace and care are endless Who leaves no suff'rer friendless But rights the wronged at last.
- He offers all His treasure Of justice, truth, and righteousness, His love beyond all measure, His yearning pity o'er distress; Nor treats us as we merit But sets His anger by. The poor and contrite spirit Finds His compassion nigh; And high as heav'n above us, As dawn from close of day, So far, since He has loved us, He puts our sins away.

- 3 For as a tender father Has pity on His children here, God in His arms will gather All who are His in childlike fear. He knows how frail our powers, Who but from dust are made. We flourish like the flowers, And even so we fade; The wind but through them passes, And all their bloom is o'er. We wither like the grasses; Our place knows us no more.
- His grace remains forever, And children's children yet shall prove That God forsakes them never Who in true fear shall seek His love. In heav'n is fixed His dwelling, His rule is over all; O hosts with might excelling, With praise before Him fall. Praise Him forever reigning, All you who hear His Word—Our life and all sustaining. My soul, O praise the Lord!

SERMON

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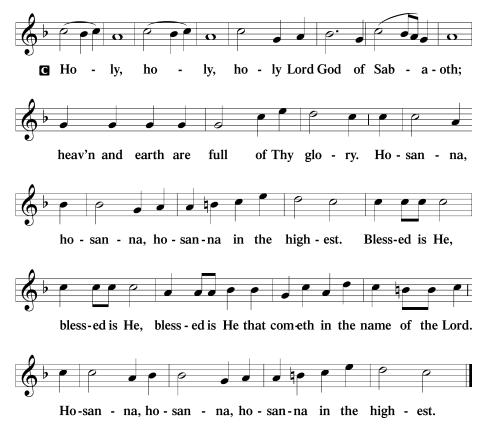
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+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



AGNUS DEI pg. 198



DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS 848 Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service

- Lord, whose love through humble service Bore the weight of human need, Who upon the cross, forsaken, Offered mercy's perfect deed, We, Your servants, bring the worship Not of voice alone, but heart, Consecrating to Your purpose Ev'ry gift that You impart.
- Still Your children wander homeless; Still the hungry cry for bread; Still the captives long for freedom; Still in grief we mourn our dead. As, O Lord, Your deep compassion Healed the sick and freed the soul,

- Use the love Your Spirit kindles Still to save and make us whole.
- As we worship, grant us vision, Till Your love's revealing light
 In its height and depth and greatness, Dawns upon our quickened sight,
 Making known the needs and burdens Your compassion bids us bear,
 Stirring us to tireless striving, Your abundant life to share.
- 4 Called by worship to Your service, Forth in Your dear name we go, To the child, the youth, the aged, Love in living deeds to show; Hope and health, goodwill and comfort, Counsel, aid, and peace we give, That Your servants, Lord, in freedom May Your mercy know and live.

637 Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord

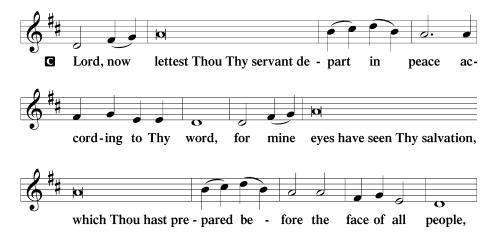
- Draw near and take the body of the Lord, And drink the holy blood for you outpoured; Offered was He for greatest and for least, Himself the victim and Himself the priest.
- He who His saints in this world rules and shields, To all believers life eternal yields; With heav'nly bread He makes the hungry whole, Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.
- Come forward then with faithful hearts sincere,
 And take the pledges of salvation here.
 O Lord, our hearts with grateful thanks endow
 As in this feast of love You bless us now.

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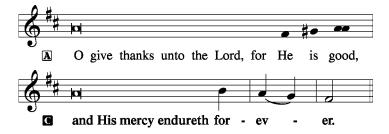
- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart T in peace.
- C Amen.

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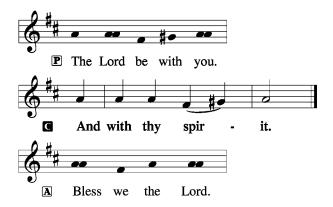
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- P Let us pray,
- P We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

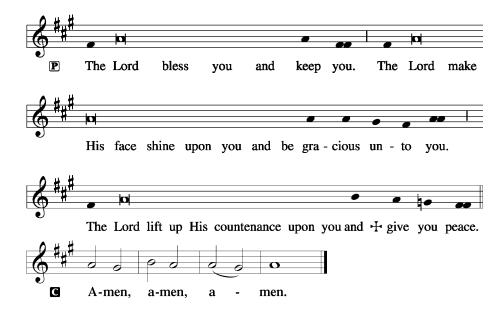


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BENEDICTION



CLOSING HYMN 843 "Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive"

4 Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls
And bid resentment cease;
Then, bound to all in bonds of love,
Our lives will spread Your peace.

SILENT PRAYER

Next Week's Lessons

Transfiguration

Deuteronomy 34: 1-12

Psalm 99: 1-9

Hebrews 3: 1-6

Luke 9: 28-36

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