

Saint John the Evangelist Episcopal Church

February 24, 2019

Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

**Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m.
Rite II, Prayer B**



*Hearing-assistive devices and large print bibles
are available from the ushers at the back of the church.*

The Word of God

Voluntary *Toccata in C* Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck

Hymn #366 Holy God, we praise thy name *Grosser Gott*

Opening Acclamation and Response

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

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.
Amen.**

Collect for Purity *Book of Common Prayer, p. 355*

Song of Praise *Hymnal S280*

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O 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 forever.

People **Amen.**

First Reading Genesis 45:3-11, 15 *Pew Bible, p. 41*

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The congregation is invited to join the choir in the following Anglican chant as indicated in bold.

Psalm 37



1. Do not fret yourself because of | evil- | doers;
do not be | jealous • of | those • who do | wrong.
2. For they shall soon wither | like the | grass,
and like the | green grass | fade a- | way.
3. Put your trust in the LORD | and do | good;
 dwell in the land and | feed | on its | riches.
4. **Take delight | in the | LORD,**
and he shall | give • you your | heart's de- | sire.
5. **Commit your way to the LORD and | put your • trust | in him,**
and | he will | bring • it to | pass.
6. **He will make your righteousness as | clear as | light**
and your just | dealing | as the | noonday.
7. **Be still be- | fore the | LORD**
and | wait | patient- • ly | for him.
8. **Do not fret yourself over | one who | prospers,**
the one who suc- | ceeds in | evil | schemes.
9. **Refrain from anger, leave | rage a- | lone;**
do not fret yourself; it leads | on- | ly to | evil.
10. **For evildoers shall | be cut | off,**
but those who wait upon the **LORD | shall pos- | sess the | land.**
11. **In a little while the wicked | shall be • no | more;**
you shall search out their place, but | they will | not be | there.
12. **But the lowly shall pos- | sess the | land;**
they will delight | in a- | bundance • of | peace.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50 *Pew Bible p. 1051*

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn #587 Our father, by whose Name *Rhoseymedre*

Gospeller

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

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Gospel

Luke 6:27-38

Pew Bible, p. 941

Gospeller

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Barbara Mraz, *Writer in Residence*

Nicene Creed

Book of Common Prayer p. 358

Prayers of the People

standing or kneeling, as is your custom

Reader

We pray to you, O God,

All

Fill us with your light.

Reader

Gracious God

All

By your love you have called us to proclaim with joy the good news of your Son: So build us up in the knowledge and love of Him, that we may welcome all people into this community of faith, and show forth our service to you in our service to others; through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

— *The Collect for St. John's*

Confession and Absolution

standing or kneeling, as is your custom

Celebrant

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Celebrant

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.
Amen.

People

The Peace

Celebrant

The peace of Christ be always with you.

People

And also with you.

Welcome

The Rev. Jered Weber-Johnson, *Rector*

The Holy Communion

All are welcome at the Lord's table. You may kneel or stand to receive communion.

The common loaf is gluten-free. If you prefer to receive a blessing please cross your arms. The common loaf is gluten-free. For those who have trouble with the steps going to and from the altar, there is a standing station to receive Holy Communion.

OFFERTORY AND PRESENTATION

Anthem I Give You a New Commandment Peter Aston

Presentation of the Gifts

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.
People **And of thine own have we given thee.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B *Book of Common Prayer, page 367*

Celebrant The Lord be with you. *Hymnal, S120*

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty...

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus and Benedictus *Hymnal S125*

Celebrant We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation...

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All **We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God,...

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.
People **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

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

All **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

Fraction Anthem

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Distribution

Meditation O Taste and See Ralph Vaughan Williams

Hymn #343 Shepherd of Souls *St. Agnes*

Sending forth Eucharistic Visitors (as applicable)

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

Post Communion Prayer

standing or kneeling, as is your custom

All **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.**

Hymn: #544 Jesus shall reign *Duke Street*

Blessing

Dismissal

Celebrant Our worship here is ended; now our service begins.
Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary Rigaudon Andre Campra

Altar Flowers are given in thanksgiving for the lives of Mary W. & Paul Pinkerton, Gertrude 7 Frederick Wigginton

Assisting in the Service

Celebrant The Reverend Jered Weber-Johnson
Preacher The Rev. Barbara Mraz
Assisting Priest The Rev. Craig Lemming
Director of Music Richard Gray
Altar Guild Terri Fishel, Nan Lightner, Gwen Odney, Phyllis Merrill, Elaine Sutton, Jill Thompson
Acolytes Sabine Krall, Maren Johnson, Will Rinkoff, Thomas Rinkoff
Readers Lyelle Palmer, Cammie Beattie
Verger Linnea Krall
Ushers Shirley Sailors, Cammie Beattie, Mary & Peter Gilbertson
Greeters Barbara Lindeke, Mary Ann Mason, Eric Odney

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