



The Holy Eucharist

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost • July 18, 2021

Welcome to Parish of the Epiphany!

Your presence here is a gift and blessing. If you are worshiping in person, we remind everyone to please wear your mask during the entirety of the service. Masks are not required while outside. There is no nursery care at this time. We invite you to fellowship after worship in the parish hall and Cloister Garden.

Prelude

Sheep May Safely Graze

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

The Word of the Lord

Hymn Please stand as you are able.

The Church's one foundation

The Hymnal 1982 #525 (*Aurelia*)

1 The Church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord;
 2 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
 3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der men see her sore op - pressed,
 4 Mid toil and tri - bu - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war
 5 Yet she on earth hath un - ion with God, the Three in One,

1 she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word:
 2 her char - ter of sal - va - tion, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
 3 by schi - sms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed;
 4 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for ev - er - more;
 5 and mys - tic sweet com - mun - ion with those whose rest is won.

1 from heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
 2 one ho - ly Name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
 3 yet saints their watch are keep - ing, their cry goes up, "How long?"
 4 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blessed,
 5 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we

1 with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
 2 and to one hope she presses, with every grace endowed.
 3 and soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.
 4 and the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.
 5 like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant

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

People

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

All

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.

Gloria *(Sung together.)*

The Hymnal 1982 #S 280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
 King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy

on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says this Collect, which sets forth the theme of today's celebration.

Celebrant Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

The First Lesson *Please be seated.*

2 Samuel 7:1-14a

Lector A reading from Second Samuel.

When the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you."

But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any

of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, “Why have you not built me a house of cedar?” Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 89:20-29

The psalm is read responsively, alternating verses between the lector and the people.

Lector 20 I have found David my servant; *
with my holy oil have I anointed him.

All 21 **My hand will hold him fast *
and my arm will make him strong.**

Lector 22 No enemy shall deceive him, *
nor any wicked man bring him down.

All 23 **I will crush his foes before him *
and strike down those who hate him.**

Lector 24 My faithfulness and love shall be with him, *
and he shall be victorious through my Name.

All 25 **I shall make his dominion extend *
from the Great Sea to the River.**

Lector 26 He will say to me, ‘You are my Father, *
my God, and the rock of my salvation.’

All 27 **I will make him my firstborn *
and higher than the kings of the earth.**

Lector 28 I will keep my love for him for ever, *
and my covenant will stand firm for him.

All 29 **I will establish his line for ever *
and his throne as the days of heaven.”**

All Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

Gospel Acclamation *Sung by the cantor. Please stand as you are able.*

The Gospel

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, “Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Be seated at the invitation of the preacher.

The Sermon

The Rev. Nick Myers

After a period of silence, all stand and say together

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

Today's intercessions are composed so that we pray for the church, the world, loved ones on our prayer list, and those who have died.

The response to "Lord, in your mercy" is "Hear our prayer."

Please add your own prayers during any of the silences.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin *Please stand or kneel for the confession.*

Celebrant Let us confess our sins to God.

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.

Absolution

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

People Amen.

The Celebrant then bids

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Please share a sign of God's peace with your neighbor.

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Solo

The Lord's my Shepherd

Bob Chilcott (b. 1955)

Jacob O'Shea, bass

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want. He makes me down to lie
In pastures green: he leadeth me the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again; and me to walk doth make

Within the paths of righteousness, e'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill:

For thou art with me and thy rod and staff me comfort still.

My table thou has furnished in presence of my foes;

My head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me:

And in my Father's heart always my dwelling place shall be.

Please stand as you are able.

The Great Thanksgiving *Prayer B*

The Book of Common Prayer

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.**

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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 (Sung together.)

The Hymnal 1982 #S 129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Remain standing as the celebrant continues.

Celebrant

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

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, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being

sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant 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.**

The consecrated bread is broken.

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Administration of Holy Communion

Celebrant The Body and Blood of Christ. Behold who you are, become what you receive.

For those worshipping in person, please wait for the invitation of an usher to leave your pew. Come forward to receive the consecrated bread. Gluten-free host is available — simply notify the clergy-person of this desire.

If you are worshipping virtually, Communion is available for pick-up at the parish offices during the week, Monday-Friday, 9:00 am-4:00 pm. At this time, you are invited to share in the Communion together. Simply use these words of administration:

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.

If you do not have consecrated bread, you may say this Prayer of Spiritual Communion:

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Postcommunion Prayer *Please stand or kneel.*

Celebrant

Let us pray.

All

Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of 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 Savior. Amen.

The Celebrant says the

Blessing

May the blessing of the God of Abraham and Sarah, and of Jesus Christ born of our sister Mary, and of the Holy Spirit, who broods over the world as a mother over her children, be upon you this day and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Dear Lord and Father of mankind

The Hymnal 1982 #653 (*Repton*)



1 Dear Lord and Fa - ther of man - kind, for -
2 In sim - ple trust like theirs who heard, be -
3 O Sab - bath rest by Gal - i - lee! O
4 Drop thy still dews of qui - et - ness, till
5 Breathe through the heats of our de - sire thy



1 give our fool - ish ways! Re - clothe us in our
2 side the Syr - ian sea, the gra - cious call - ing
3 calm of hills a - bove, where Je - sus knelt to
4 all our striv - ings cease; take from our souls the
5 cool - ness and thy balm; let sense be dumb, let



1 right - ful mind, in pur - er lives thy ser - vice find, in
2 of the Lord, let us, like them, with - out a word, rise
3 share with thee the si - lence of e - ter - ni - ty in -
4 strain and stress, and let our or - dered lives con - fess the
5 flesh re - tire; speak through the earth - quake, wind, and fire, O



1 deep - er rev - erence, praise, in deep - er rev - erence, praise.
2 up and fol - low thee, rise up and fol - low thee.
3 ter - pret - ed by love! in - ter - pret - ed by love!
4 beau - ty of thy peace, the beau - ty of thy peace.
5 still, small voice of calm, O still, small voice of calm.

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Thank you for joining us for worship. If you are worshipping in person, please feel free to leave your pew at any time. Join us for fellowship in the parish hall or Cloister Garden.

The Postlude

Fantasy in C Major

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Announcements

Sunday Morning In-Person Bible Study

In-person Sunday morning Bible study is back! Please join us at 9:00 am in the Suter Room. We gather to reflect on this week's readings and how we might apply the lessons to our lives. Our conversations are full of wisdom and laughter – no preparation is necessary. Feel free to contact Jake Montwieler at jacob.montwieler@gmail.com with any questions.

August Birthdays and Anniversaries

Do you have a birthday or anniversary in August that you would like remembered in 3 Crowns and the Sunday bulletin during the first week of the month? If so, we invite you to send the details to Kathryn at office@3crowns.org. We will also be commemorating August birthdays and anniversaries in worship on Sunday, August 1.

Parent Night Check-in

All Parish of the Epiphany parents are invited to a Parent Night Check-in on Thursday, July 22 at 8:15 pm. We'd love to know how you all are doing and feeling, as we enter summer and navigate this new (hopefully better!) stage of reopening! Please join us via Zoom. We hope to see you there!

Outdoor Family Worship

This summer we invite all families with children aged preschool through sixth grade to join us for a series of new outdoor worship services. These short, 30-minute services are created especially for children and their caregivers to worship together.

Our last of this summer's Outdoor Worship for Young Families will be held in the Bishop Garden this Sunday, July 25, at 5:00 pm. Pre-registration using the SignUpGenius link in 3 Crowns is encouraged but no longer required, and last-minute additions are always welcome! We hope you will join us.

The Rev. Bob Davidson

The Wardens and I are pleased to share the news that the Rev. Bob Davidson will act as Assisting Clergy among us at Epiphany. Bob is my father-in-law and has been licensed to preach and preside within the Diocese of Massachusetts as a retired clergy person. The role of an Assisting Clergy is to assist in the liturgical and worship life of the parish and support other areas of our shared ministry together. The role of an Assisting Clergy is not a paid ministry position. Bob will assist with preaching and presiding at Sunday worship on occasion, help provide sacramental ministry to parishioners, and offer his gifts as a trained Social Worker to support the care and social justice ministries of the parish when needed. Bob earned a Master of Social Work degree from the University of Kentucky in 1978 and was ordained in the Diocese of Colorado, having served in both parochial and community ministry partnerships.

Baptisms and Confirmation

If you or someone you know is interested in Baptism or Confirmation, please contact Rev. Nick at nmyers@3crowns.org or call the parish office at 781-729-1922.

Service Participants

The Reverend Nicholas Myers, *Celebrant and Preacher* • Craig Benner, *Music Director and Organist*
Jacob O'Shea, *Cantor* • Reid Boswell (8am); Gabrielle Stott and Liz Kinchen (10am), *Lectors*
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