

St. Andrew's Episcopal Cathedral The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany February 23, 2025 | Holy Eucharist, Rite II | 10:30 a.m. 305 E. Capitol St. | Jackson, MS 39201 | standrews.ms | 601-354-1535

Welcome to St. Andrew's Episcopal Cathedral!

Joyfully proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ through grace-filled worship, radical hospitality, and incarnational faith. We are glad we can worship together today. Children are always welcome in our service. If you would rather your child be in the nursery or supervised playroom, feel free to take them out the pulpit side arch and through the chapel. You are welcome to bring them back into the service at any time. Feel free to come and go as needed.

Prelude

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
The Holmes Community College Concert Chorale,
conducted by Dr. Drew Trautman

arr. Gilbert Martin

HYMN H-1982#657

Love divine, all loves excelling

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OPENING ACCLAMATION

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, BCP, PAGE 355

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

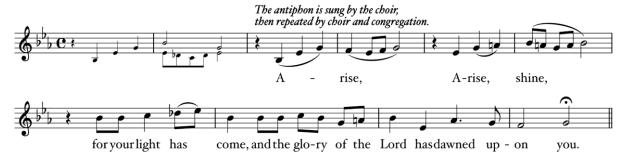
People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.**

SONG OF PRAISE

Surge, illuminare, Richard Webster



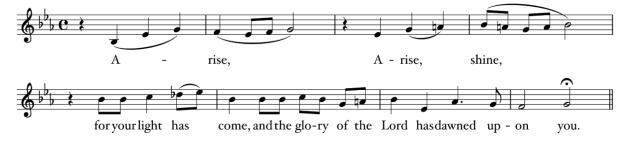
Choir: 2. For behold, darkness covers the land; deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.

- 3. But over you the Lord will rise, and his glory will appear upon you.
- 4. Nations will stream to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawning.



Choir: 5. Your gates will always be open; by day or night they will never be shut.

- 6. They will call you The City of the Lord, The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.
- 7. Violence will no more be heard in your land, ruin or destruction within your borders.
 - 8. You will call your walls, Salvation, and all your portals, Praise.
- 9. The sun will no more be your light by day; by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.
 - 10. The Lord will be your everlasting light, and your God will be your glory.



COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider 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 for ever. **Amen.**

The People may be seated.

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.

THE PSALM (Chanted by choir and congregation.)
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PSALM 37:1-12, 41-



- ¹ Do not fret yourself because of / evildoers; * 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 the / light * and your just dealing as the / noonday.
- ⁷ Be still before the / Lord * and wait patiently / for him.
- ⁸ Do not fret yourself over the one who / prospers, * the one who succeeds in evil / schemes.
- ⁹ Refrain from anger, leave rage a/lone; * do not fret yourself; it leads only to / evil.
- ¹⁰ For evildoers shall be cut / off, * but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess 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 possess the / land; * they will delight in abundance of / peace.
- ⁴¹ But the deliverance of the righteous comes from the / Lord; *
 he is their stronghold in time of / trouble.
- ⁴² The Lord will help them and / rescue them; * he will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them, because they seek refuge / in him.

THE SECOND READING

1 CORINTHIANS 15:35-38, 42-50

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 dishonor, 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.

SEQUENCE HYMN, H-1982, #439 LOVE What wondrous love is this

Wondrous



- I What wond-rous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What wond-rous love is this, O my soul!
- 2 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to God and to the Lamb, I will sing.
- 3 And whenfromdeath I'm free, I'llsing on, I'llsing on, and whenfromdeath I'm free, I'llsing on.





lay a - side his crown for my soul, for my soul, to mil-lionsjoin the theme, I will sing, I will sing, while through e - ter-ni - ty I'llsing on, I'llsing on, and

lay a - side his crown for my soul. mil-lionsjoin the theme, I will sing. throughe - ter-ni - ty I'llsing on.

THE GOSPEL LUKE 6:27-38

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "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."

Deacon The

Gospel

of

the

Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The People are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

MUSICAL REFLECTION

The People stand at the invitation of the presider.

NICENE CREED BCP, P 358

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

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Dorothy, our Bishop, and all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for Donald, our President, Members of Congress, Justices of the Supreme Court, and all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Your word is a lamp for our feet. In darkness and in light, in trouble and in joy, help us, heavenly Father, to trust your love, to serve your purpose, and to praise your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. Silence

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.

THE ABSOLUTION

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.**

THE PEACE BCP, PAGE 360

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE <u>www.standrews.ms/offertory</u>

At the offertory, acknowledging all we are given from God, we gratefully offer back to God some of what God has given us, sacramentally in the bread and wine, and in the money we give.

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

True Light

words and music, Keith Hampton

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Almighty God is light. He lives in us as True Light.

In the beginning out of the darkness God created. He lives in us as True Light.

Don't let the light that You've given me die, And don't desert my mind.

But let the one who serves You Praise You again and again.

You are the one who judges right from wrong. Your glory excites no envy.

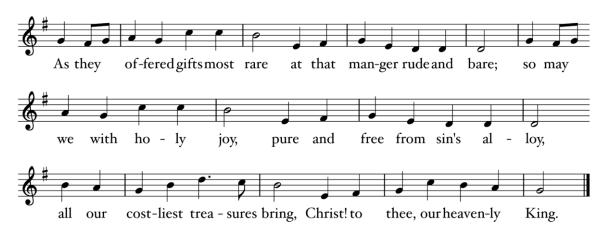
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Everywhere I go, I want the world to know, God gave the world True Light.

Hold on to the true light.

The People stand and sing.

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION H-1982 #119, V. 3 As with gladness, men of old

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, PRAYER C

BCP,

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Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

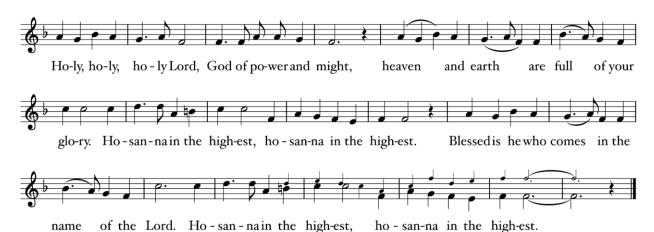
Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS, H-1982 #S125

Richard Proulx, Community Mass



And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, Jacob and Leah and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

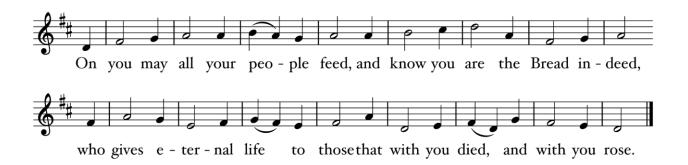
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER BCP, PAGE 364

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 FRACTION H-1982 #120, vs. 6 FESTIVITAS

SOLEMNIS HAEC



THE INVITATION

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

The People may be seated. If you do not wish to receive the sacrament, you may come forward with your arms crossed over your chest to receive a blessing. Gluten free bread is available upon request. The table of bread and wine is the table of company with Jesus, and all those who love him. So come to this table, you who have much faith, and you who would like to have more; you who have been to this Sacrament often, and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus in the world, and you who have failed; come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

HYMN, H-1982 #456 HYMN, H-1982 #304 O love of God, how strong and true I come with joy DeTar Land of

REST

At the Presider's invitation People stand, and remain standing through the end of the service.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP,

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Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

SEASONAL BLESSING

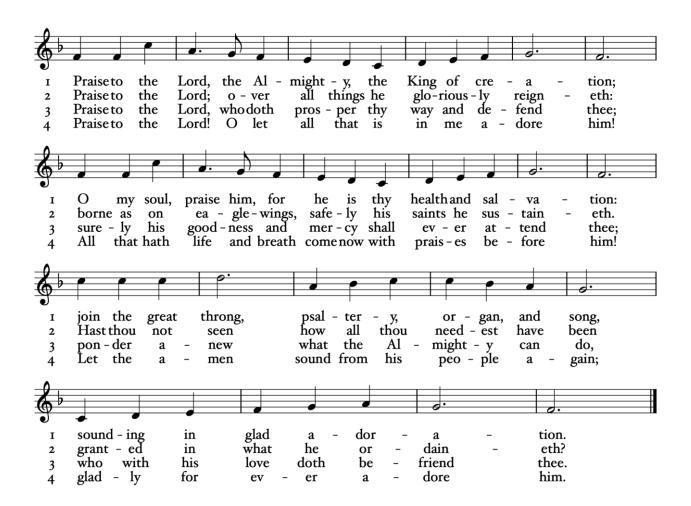
May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

HYMN, H-1982#390

Praise to the Lord, the almighty

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HERREN



THE DISMISSAL

Deacon

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Chaconne in C Dietrich Buxtehude

Flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God, and in honor of and thanksgiving for Jessica Nelson and the Music Program at St. Andrew's Cathedral

OUR PRAYER LIST

Sharon, Phyllis, Melissa, Walter, Bob, Ben, and Kathy. (*The last names are not listed to provide some privacy for those who have asked our prayers but do not necessarily want to answer questions. Our prayers come from the heart and don't need details to be effective*).

AT WEEKDAY PRAYERS, WE PRAY FOR: Emma George, Ralph, Charles, Virginia, Joyce, Tasha, Barbara, Norma, Annabelle, Dot, Betsy, Susan, Matt, Betty, Chris, Paula, Anthony.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Robert Clifton Goings, uncle of Adam Strong; David Sanders and Trey Bryant, friend of Dan Roach.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO CELEBRATE A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK: Sunday, Feb. 23: No birthdays; Monday, Feb. 24: Troy James, Emily Dossett, Rev. David Elliott; Tuesday, Feb. 25: Sara Anderson, Evelyn Westover, Liam Smith, Judith Forshee; Wednesday, Feb. 26: Noah Rhoden; Thursday, Feb. 27: No birthdays; Friday, Feb. 28: Rev. Christopher McAbee; Saturday, Mar. 1: Jay Fontaine, Carol Madden, James Lynch, Johnny Bass; Sunday, Mar. 2: Gene Graham.

WE GIVE THANKS FOR WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES IN FEBRUARY: Kellye and Wilson Montjoy, Feb. 4; Ashley and Bobby Lacoste, Feb. 4, 1998; Susan and Bill Hill; Feb. 20; Leslie and Warren Kennedy, Feb. 25, 1995; Regan and Stephen Wray, Feb. 29.

IN OUR COMMUNITY CYCLE OF PRAYER, WE PRAY FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY: Habitat For Humanity is a Christian organization that builds homes for people in need in over 100 countries world-wide. Since 1986, over 635 new homes have been built in Greater Jackson by sponsors, corporations and thousands of Habitat volunteers For more information, contact Bill Osborne at **wgoii2@gmail.com**.

WEDDINGS | Please contact The Very Rev. Anne M. Maxwell at amaxwell@standrews.ms.

HOLY BAPTISM | Please contact The Very Rev. Anne M. Maxwell at amaxwell@standrews.ms.

PRAYER LIST | On Sunday mornings, our prayer list holds those in acute need of prayer. During the week, another prayer list holds those whose need for prayer is less acute but longer term. To add or renew a name on either of these lists, please contact The Very Rev. Anne M. Maxwell at amaxwell@standrews.ms.

PRAYER CHAIN | For prayers at any time, please call in your prayer request to one of our confidential Prayer Chains. For the morning or evening prayer chain, call Melissa Crouch at 601-672-8952.

HOSPITAL VISITS, HOME VISITS, AND PASTORAL CARE | Please call the Cathedral and speak to one of our clergy if you or a family member are in need of pastoral prayer or conversation. Voicemails are sent to our email inboxes. The Cathedral number is 601-354-1535 or you may call the Lay Pastoral Minister on call as listed in the sleeve.

