

# St. Edward's Episcopal Church

## Holy Eucharist



### The Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

#### February 8, 2026 @10:00 a.m.

Welcome to St. Edward's Episcopal Church. Come as you are. St. Edward's affirms the dignity of every human being. God's abundant love is here for all.

If you are visiting with us today, please fill out a Visitor Card and give it to one of our ushers, so we can send you more information about our church. We are blessed that you are here, and we look forward to meeting you!

This leaflet is your guide to the liturgy and is a resource for the material needed for this service. You will find three books in the pew rack in front of you - The 1979 Book of Common Prayer (red book), The Hymnal 1982 (blue book), and LEVAS (Lift Every Voice and Sing II - black and red cover). Hymn numbers preceded by 'S' are from the Service Music at the front of The Hymnal 1982. It is customary to stand during the singing of hymns and either stand, sit, or kneel for prayers. All items in **bold** are to be read aloud by the people.

# THE WORD OF GOD

## PROCESSIONAL

### A little bit of salt

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette

*All stand, if able.*

1. A lit - tle bit of salt will quick - ly show its worth; A  
2. When wor - ship leads us out to love and serve the poor, To  
3. It's tempt - ing to re - main well - hid - den, qui - et, bland; Yet,

lit - tle bit of faith - ful - ness will change the earth. God,  
wel - come in the im - mi - grant at our own door, O  
God, you make us salt and light to change this land. You

make us worth our salt, a\_\_ church that's glad to be\_\_ The  
God, then we'll be called "re - pair - ers of the breach," And  
send us out to love, to\_\_ build\_\_ and to re - pair,\_\_ Till

change that you de - sire in\_\_ each com - mu - ni - ty.  
we your church will be "re - stor - ers\_\_ of the streets."  
peace and jus - tice flour - ish here and ev - ery - where.

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP 355

## COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 355

## HYMN OF PRAISE

I will rejoice

LEVAS HYMNAL 244

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 215

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE LESSONS

**THE FIRST LESSON** *Please be seated for the lessons.*

ISAIAH 58:1-9a, 9b-12

A Lesson from the Book of Isaiah.

Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my

ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God. “Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord? Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

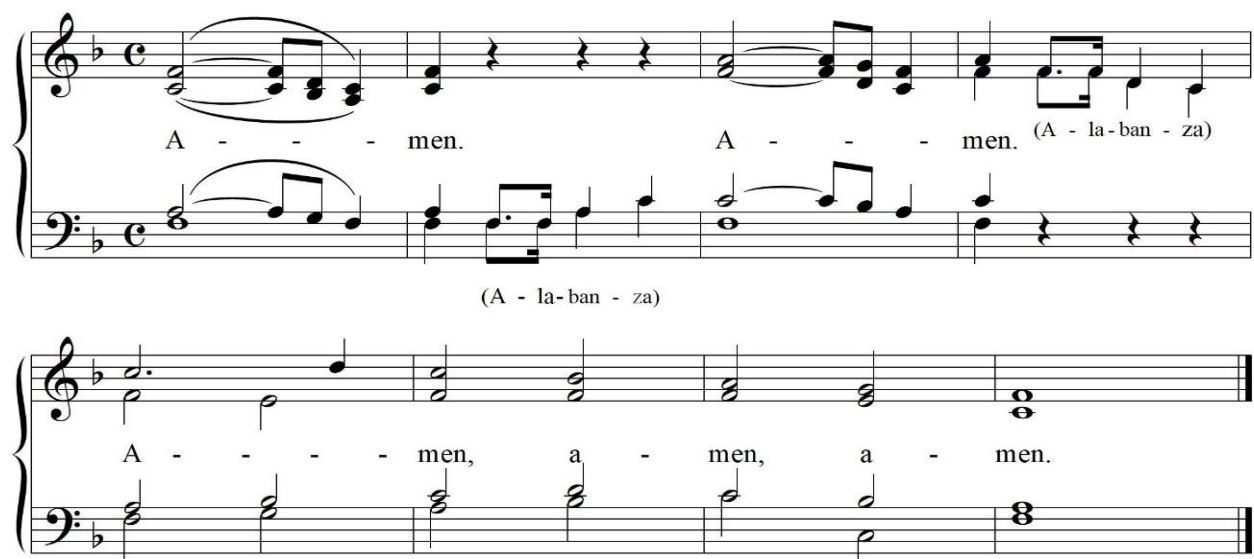
*Lector:* The word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 112

### *Refrain*

*The Lector reads the Psalm; the People sing the Refrain.*



- 1 Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord \*  
and have great delight in his commandments!
- 2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; \*  
the generation of the upright will be blessed.
- 3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, \*  
and their righteousness will last for ever. **Refrain**
- 4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; \*  
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.
- 5 It is good for them to be generous in lending \*  
and to manage their affairs with justice.
- 6 For they will never be shaken; \*  
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance. **Refrain**
- 7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; \*  
their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.
- 8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, \*  
until they see their desire upon their enemies.
- 9 They have given freely to the poor, \*  
and their righteousness stands fast for ever;  
they will hold up their head with honor. **Refrain**

## THE SECOND LESSON

1 CORINTHIANS 2:1-12, 13-20

A Lesson from the letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. Yet among

the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him"—these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual. Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny. "For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?" But we have the mind of Christ.

*Lector:* The word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

### THE GOSPEL READING

MATTHEW 5:13-16

*Deacon:* † The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Jesus said, "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. "Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

*Deacon:* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

### THE SERMON

The Rev. Fabio Sotelo

### THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358

### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Deacon:* Our gracious God listens to those whose work is to enable righteousness and justice and to uphold compassion and mercy: We shall call upon the Lord, and God shall answer; we shall cry for help and God will say, Here I am. And so we offer our prayers to God.

*Litanist:* We pray for the Church, proclaiming Christ crucified, so that our faith might not rest on human wisdom but on the power of God: May Christ reveal what no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor human heart conceived, but what has been prepared for all who love God. Light shines in the darkness for the upright,

**who are merciful and full of compassion.**

We pray for the leaders of the nations and the leaders in our own country, that inspired by God's vision, they will loose the bonds of injustice and undo the thongs of the yoke; that they will let the oppressed go free and feed the hungry, shelter the homeless and clothe the naked. Light shines in the darkness for the upright,

**who are merciful and full of compassion.**

We pray for God's mercy on the members of our diocesan family currently held in immigration detention: Jose Luis, Evalu, Juan, Luis, Ricard, Miguel, Jose Manuel, Jose Garcia, Gustavo, and Gonzalo, and their families. We pray for their release and for the restoration of humane and ethical immigration enforcement. . Light shines in the darkness for the upright,

**who are merciful and full of compassion.**

We pray for this community of St. Edward's, that all may manage their affairs with justice so that their descendants may be mighty in the land and generations of the upright may be blessed. Light shines in the darkness for the upright,

**who are merciful and full of compassion.**

We pray for the sick, the suffering and all those who are alone, remembering especially, Ginger & Gary, Marian & Jay, Dan, Donald, Nevonne, Robert, Vivian, Barbara, Adolphus, Kendra, Erielle, Kip, Julia & Rick, Ali, Hanna, Ben, Russell, Samuel, Olive, Julie, Cindy, Rosemary, Delores, Jasmine, Sarah, Jan, Joyce, Shandi, and Vinnie Lee (*The congregation may add their own petitions.*) Light shines in the darkness for the upright,

**who are merciful and full of compassion.**

We pray for those who have died, that they may live in light perpetual (*The congregation may add their own petitions.*) Light shines in the darkness for the upright,

**who are merciful and full of compassion.**

#### THE COLLECT FOR BLACK HISTORY MONTH

God of love, peace, and unity, we thank you for welcoming us all just as we are; for making us equal as your children from all corners of the earth; and for giving us your blessings as your children; and for making us belong. We pray that you help us realize that we are all made in your image, and we need to bring peace to all your creation as one people who belong to you. We ask all this through Christ our brother. Amen.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP 360

THE PEACE

BCP 360

**BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS** *(see insert)*

**INSTALLATION OF VESTRY** *(see insert)*

**STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN 2026**

*"Well done, good and faithful servant." (Mt. 25:21)*

We continue to receive pledge commitments for the year 2026. If you have already submitted your pledge card, thank you. If you have not, we invite you to pledge. Additional cards are available. Please ask the ushers, who will be happy to provide you one. We invite you to make a pledge and support the mission and ministry of our parish.

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

BCP 376

*Presider:* Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

*Ephesian 5.2s 5:2*

**OFFERTORY**

**Offertory with What does the Lord require of you**

Parish Choir

John Ness Beck & Mark A. Miller

**PRESENTATION HYMN**

**Let there be peace on earth**

*All stand, if able.*

*Hymn requested by Nicole Harrison*

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.

With God as Creator, family are we.

Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.

With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:

To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally!

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARIST PRAYER A**

BCP 361

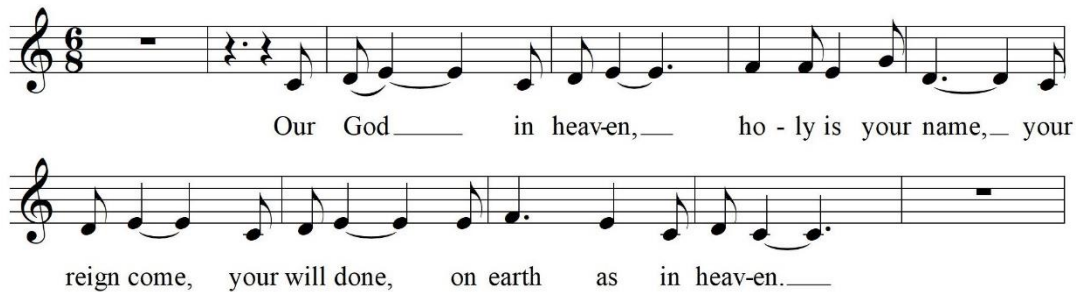
**SANCTUS**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord**

**LEVAS HYMNAL 244**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Mark. A. Miller



Our God \_\_\_\_\_ in heaven, \_\_\_\_\_ ho - ly is your name, \_\_\_\_\_ your

reign come, your will done, on earth as in heav-en. \_\_\_\_\_



THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

BCP 364

THE INVITATION

BCP 364

COMMUNION HYMNS *From the following, as time permits.*

**A Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

**I want to walk as a child of the light**

**Out in the highways and byways of life**

**BLUE HYMNAL 490**

**LEVAS HYMNAL 158**

*Hymn requested by Jeannette Best-Nunez*

SENDING FORTH THE EUCHARISTIC VISITOR

*Presider:* We send you forth bearing this Holy Gifts, that those to whom we go  
may share with us in the mystery of the present of Christ our Lord.

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

THE BLESSING

May you be salt and light to the world, that you may shine, and do good works, and give glory to God. May you join Christ's work to loose the bonds of injustice through compassion for the poor so that Christ's light may break forth like the dawn. May the Holy Spirit reveal to you what no eye has seen, nor ear, heard, nor the human heart conceived—what the Holy One has prepared for those who love God. And the blessing of our compassionate God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you an enlighten you, now and for ever. **Amen.**

# RECESSIONAL HYMN

# Jesus, the light of the world

Please stand, if able.

1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing Je - sus, the  
 2. Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, Je - sus, the  
 3. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Je - sus, the  
 4. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of peace! Je - sus, the

light of the world; Glo - ry to the new - born King  
 light of the world; Join the tri - umph of the skies,  
 light of the world; Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord,  
 light of the world; Hail the Sun of Right - eous - ness!

Je - sus, the light of the world.

**Refrain**

We'll walk in the light, beau - ti - ful light  
 Come where the dew - drops of mer - cy shine bright  
 Shine all a - round us by day and by night  
 Je - sus, the light of the world.

## THE DISMISSAL

BCP 366

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*We are grateful for your presence in worship today. May God bless you as you walk in the way of discipleship.*

*Flowers today are donated by The Pratt Sisters  
 Comfort, Christine & Janice in memory  
 of their friend Anyeline Menjor Wariebi.*

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