

**The Last Sunday
after the Epiphany**

**10:00 am
March 2, 2025**

**Church of the Epiphany
Vacaville, CA**

ALL ARE WELCOME HERE

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

BCP 355

The Word of God

The people stand as they are able at the beginning of the hymn.

Entrance Hymn

Hymnal 135 vs. 1, 2 & 4

"Songs of thankfulness and praise ..."

1 Songs of thankfulness and praise, Jesus, Lord, to thee we raise;
Manifested by the star to the sages from afar,
Branch of royal David's stem in thy birth at Bethlehem:
Anthems be to thee addressed, God in flesh made manifest.

2 Manifest at Jordan's stream, Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;
And at Cana wedding guest in thy Godhead manifest;
Manifest in pow'r divine, changing water into wine;
Anthems be to thee addressed, God in flesh made manifest.

4 Manifest on mountain height, shining in resplendent light,
Where disciples fill with awe thy transfigured glory saw.
Where from there thou leddest them steadfast to Jerusalem,
Cross and Easter Day attest God in man made manifest.

All standing, the Celebrant says

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

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

The Celebrant and People say the 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.

Gloria

Hymnal S-280

The following is sung, all standing

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. O God, who before the passion of your only -
begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that
we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to
bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy
Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

First Reading

Exodus 34:29-35

A Reading from the Book of Exodus.

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai.

When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 99 *Dominus regnavit*

1 The LORD is King;

let the people tremble; *

he is enthroned upon the cherubim;

let the earth shake.

2 The LORD is great in Zion; *

he is high above all peoples.

3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; *

he is the Holy One.

4 "O mighty King, lover of justice,

you have established equity; *

you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."

- 5 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God
and fall down before his footstool; *
he is the Holy One.
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, *
they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.
- 7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; *
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.
- 8 O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; *
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds.
- 9 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God
and worship him upon his holy hill; *
for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the

open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand as they are able.

Sequence Hymn

“Shine Jesus shine”

1 Lord the light of Your love is shining
In the midst of the darkness shining
Jesus Light of the world shine upon us
Set us free by the truth You now bring us
Shine on me, shine on me

Chorus

Shine Jesus shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;
Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;
Send forth Your word, Lord, and let there be light

2 Lord I come to Your awesome presence
From the shadows into Your radiance
By the blood I may enter Your brightness
Search me try me consume all my darkness
Shine on me, shine on me [*Chorus*]

3 As we gaze on Your kingly brightness
So our faces display Your likeness;
Ever changing from glory to glory,
Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story,
Shine on me, shine on me [*Chorus*]

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Holy Gospel

Luke 9:28-43a

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"--not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. And all were astounded at the greatness of God.

After the Gospel is read, the people respond as follows:

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Nicene Creed

All stand.

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

Celebrant: Let us pray to God, who is made manifest in Jesus Christ.

Reader: God of light and life, our prayers rise before you this day in hope and faith. We pray for your church, for our diocese, bishops, clergy and all people.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: As a star rose high into the nighttime sky to draw the nations to the Christ-child; send your blessing, O God, on this nation, and every nation, and draw the whole world to your peace and truth.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: Like the Magi who traveled from afar to bring gifts and celebrate the Savior's birth; we pray for this community, especially where there is trouble and suffering. For the land on which we stand, the peoples, creatures, plant life and waters around us.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: Nurturer in the Light from Bethlehem's cradle, warm our hands to lovingly serve those in need of food, shelter, clothing, and of God's healing touch.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: God of radiant light, your love illumines our hopes before we know them, and our needs before we ask. We pray for those we love, the sick and the distressed, the widowed and orphans, the poor and the dearly departed. We especially pray for (*Read prayer list here*).

Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect

Confession of Sin

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

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People:

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 Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says

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

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

Announcements, Birthday and Anniversary Offerings: *Leilani Butters (3/2), Francis Darbyshire (3/6), Joan Strader (3/6), Douglas Tatum (3/6)*

Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

"Here I am to worship..."

1 Light of the world
You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes let me see.
Beauty that made
This heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You

Chorus

So here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
And You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

2 King of all days
Oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came
To the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor [*Chorus*]

Bridge

And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross [*Chorus*]

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Doxology

Hymnal 380, v. 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

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 God thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

Hymnal S-130



Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full,
full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna in the highest.


Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.


Hosanna in the highest.


Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

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,

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant continues

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 Celebrant then continues

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Celebrant

**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

A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

Hymnal S-154

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

No matter who you are, whom you love, or where you are on your journey, we invite all people to join us at God's table for Holy Communion.

Communion Hymn

"How deep the Father's love for us..."

1 How deep the Father's love for us
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory

2 Behold the Man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers

It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished

3 I will not boast in anything
No gifts no pow'r no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom

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After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People:

**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.***

Blessing

Recessional

Hymnal 618

"Ye watchers and ye holy ones..."

1 Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,
raise the glad strain,
Alleluia!

Cry out, dominions, principedoms, powers,
virtues, archangels, angels' choirs,

Refrain:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! alleluia!

2 O higher than the cherubim,
more glorious than the seraphim,
lead their praises,
Alleluia!

Thou bearer of the eternal Word,
most gracious, magnify the Lord, *[Refrain]*

3 Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
ye patriarchs and prophets blest,
Alleluia,
alleluia!

Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong,
all saints triumphant raise the song, *[Refrain]*

4 O friends, in gladness let us sing,
supernal anthems echoing,
Alleluia,
alleluia!

To God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Spirit, Three in One, *[Refrain]*

Dismissal

THE ALTAR FLOWERS and **THE SANCTUARY LAMP** are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the lives and faithfulness of George Clewlow

TODAY'S SERVERS:

ALTAR GUILD: Kathleen Cocuzza

8:00 Lector & Prayers: Lucia Morgan/Kate Hitchcock; LEM & Acolyte: Kathleen Cocuzza

10:00 Lector and Prayers: Ben Smith; LEM & Acolyte: Kathleen Moran; Ushers: Liz Sickels

Mark your calendars for Lent/Easter!

Lent begins this week and Easter is coming soon. Here's a list of services being planned for Church of the Epiphany.

March 4: Shrove Tuesday pancake dinner. 5:30 p.m.

March 5: Ash Wednesday Services at noon and 6:30 p.m.

April 13: Palm Sunday

April 17: Maundy Thursday

- Evening service at Grace Episcopal Church in Fairfield. Time TBD.
- Watch Night at Epiphany, 9 p.m. Thursday-noon Good Friday.
Sign up in the Narthex starting in mid-March

April 18: Good Friday services at noon and 6:30 p.m.

April 19: Great Vigil of Easter begins at 6:30 p.m.

April 20: Easter Sunday, one service at 10 a.m.

April 27: Once service at 10 a.m. will include a special Parish Meeting.



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