



The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

9:15 a.m.

August 9, 2026

**Church of the Epiphany
Vacaville, CA**

ALL ARE WELCOME HERE

Processional

Hymnal 390

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty..."

1. Praise to the Lord,
The Almighty, the King of
Creation;
O my soul praise him,
For he is thy health and salvation:
Join the great throng,
Psaltery, organ and song,
Sounding in glad adoration.

2. Praise to the Lord;
Over all things he gloriously
reigneth:
Borne as on eagle's wings,
Safely his saints he sustaineth.
Hast thou not seen
How all thou needest hath been
Granted in what he ordaineth?

3. Praise to the Lord,
Who doth prosper thy way and
defend thee;
Surely his goodness and mercy
Shall ever attend thee;
Ponder anew
What the Almighty can do,
Who with his love doth befriend
thee.

4. Praise to the Lord!
O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath
Come now with praises before him!
Let the amen
Sound from his people again;
Gladly forever adore him.

All standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

The Celebrant and People say

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

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 upon 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.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Reading

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

A Reading from the Book of Genesis

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob.

Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him.

Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron.

He came to Shechem, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him" — that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 105, 1-6, 16-22, 45b *Confitemini Domino*

1 Give thanks to the LORD and call upon his Name; *
 make known his deeds among the peoples.

2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, *
 and speak of all his marvelous works.

3 Glory in his holy Name; *
 let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

4 Search for the LORD and his strength; *
 continually seek his face.

5 Remember the marvels he has done, *
 his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,

6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, *
 O children of Jacob his chosen.

16 Then he called for a famine in the land *
 and destroyed the supply of bread.

17 He sent a man before them, *
 Joseph, who was sold as a slave.

18 They bruised his feet in fetters; *
 his neck they put in an iron collar.

19 Until his prediction came to pass, *
the word of the LORD tested him.
20 The king sent and released him; *
the ruler of the peoples set him free.
21 He set him as a master over his household,
as a ruler over all his possessions,
22 To instruct his princes according to his will
and to teach his elders wisdom.
45 Hallelujah!

Epistle

Romans 10:5-15

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

“The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed?
And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard?

And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Living Epistle

James Hochbrueckner, *member,*
Young Adult Group at The Belfry, Davis

Sequence Hymn

Hymnal 536 v.2

"Open your ears..."

They who have ears to hear the
message,
They who have ears, then let them
hear.
They who would learn the way of
wisdom,
Let them hear God's word.
God has spoken to his people,

Hallelujah!
And his words are words of
wisdom,
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
God has spoken to his people,
Hallelujah!
And his words are words of
wisdom,
Hallelujah!

Holy Gospel

Matthew 14:22-33

All stand

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
Matthew.

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

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early

in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

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

Sermon

The Rev. John Heidel, Rector

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 Loving God, we give thanks for your healing love, for all that
you do for us, known and unknown. We respond to our merciful
God with "Lord, have mercy".

Reader: For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of
God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the
Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this city, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those for whom our prayers have been requested [*read prayer list here*]. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

The Celebrant then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

**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*

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: Susan Conner (8/10), Izabella Heidel (8/10), Katherine Marino (8/11), Kristen Minke (8/13), Rebecca Dunning (8/14), Susan Heidel (8/15)

Holy Communion

BCP 361

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

Offertory Hymn

"Make me a channel of your peace..."

1. Make me a channel of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.

Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord,

And where there is doubt, true faith in you.

2. Make me a channel of your peace.

Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope.

Where there is darkness, only light,

And where there's sadness, ever joy.

3. O Master, grant that I may never seek

So much to be consoled as to console,

To be understood as to understand,

To be loved as to love with all my soul.

4. Make me a channel of your peace.

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

In giving of ourselves that we receive,

And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

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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.

Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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 him thanks and praise.**

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

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might!

Heaven and earth are 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!

The people stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Memorial Acclamation

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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

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

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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Fraction Anthem III

Book of Common Prayer

Alleluia, Christ our Passover

Rev. Dr. David Deerfeeder, CSSF

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|--Instrumental--

Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass-o-ver is sac-ri-ficed for us;

there-fore, let us keep the Feast. Al-le lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

At Church of the Epiphany, we welcome everyone equally as children of God created in the image of God. Whether you are visiting from out of town, "shopping for a church," seeking God, or hoping to learn more about Jesus Christ, we welcome you to our worship services. Whatever your religious background, age race, gender, sexual orientation, or economic status, we welcome you. Wherever you are in your spiritual journey, please join us at the altar for Communion.

1st Communion Hymn

"He will raise you up on eagle's wings ..."

1. You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
Who abide in his shadow for life,
Say to the Lord: "My refuge, My rock in whom I trust!"

Refrain:

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of his hand.

2. The snare of the fowler will never capture you,
And famine will bring you no fear:
Under his wings your refuge, His faithfulness your shield. *(Refrain)*

3. You need not fear the terror of the night,
Nor the arrow that flies by day;
Though thousands fall about you, Near you it shall not come. *(Refrain)*

4. For to his angels he's given a command
To guard you in all of your ways;
Upon their hands they will bear you up,
Lest you dash your foot against a stone.

Final Refrain:

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,

Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of his hand.
And hold you, hold you in the palm of his hand.

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2nd Communion Hymn

“Be not afraid...!”

1. You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst.
You shall wander far in safety, though you do not know the way.
You shall speak your words in foreign lands and all will understand.
You shall see the face of God and live.

Chorus:

Be not afraid, I go before you always.
Come follow me, and I will give you rest.

2. If you pass through raging waters, in the sea you shall not drown.
If you walk among the burning flames, you shall not be harmed.
If you stand before the pow'r of hell, and death is at your side,
Know that I am with you through it all. (*Chorus*)

3. Blessed are your poor, for the Kingdom shall be theirs,
Blest are you who weep and mourn, for one day you shall laugh,
And if wicked men insult and hate you, all because of me,
Blessed-blessed, are you. (*Chorus*)

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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

May the Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, giving you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and to proclaim the wonderful works of God; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Recessional

Hymnal 558

"Faith of our fathers, holy faith..."

1 Faith of our fathers! living still
in spite of dungeon, fire, and sword:
O how our hearts beat high with joy,
whene'er we hear that glorious word:

Refrain:

Faith of our fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death.

2 Faith of our fathers! faith and prayer
shall win all nations unto thee;
and through the truth that comes from God,
mankind shall then indeed be free. *[Refrain]*

3 Faith of our fathers! we will love
both friend and foe in all our strife:
and preach thee, too, as love knows how,
by kindly deeds and virtuous life. *[Refrain]*

Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the spirit. Alleulia! Alleluia!

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

Melodies for the Gloria, Sanctus, Memorial Acclamation, Great Amen and Fraction Anthem are from the Mass for the People of Epiphany, (c)2026 Rev. Dr. David Deerfeeder CSSF, DeerfeederSongs

After the service, please join us in the Parish Hall for coffee hour, this week provided by the Vestry, which meets today at 11 a.m. in the Sunday School Room.

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TODAY'S SERVERS: Altar Guild: Kaye Gehardt, Kathleen Cocuzza; Lector and Prayers: Marty VanZandt; LEM/Acolyte: Evan Evans; Usher: Kristen Jones

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Envelopes are available in the narthex and at the end of the pews to make donations to the Church of the Epiphany. Offerings may also be left in the plate by the baptismal font at the church entrance. To give online, text LIGHT to 73256 or scan the QR code. Every gift, no matter the size, helps us extend God's love to our community.





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