

# HOLY COMMUNION THE THIRD SUNDAY of EPIPHANY January 23, 2022

# WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;

To all who mourn and long for comfort;

To all who struggle and desire hope;

To all who sin and need a Savior;

To all who are strangers and yearn for fellowship;

To all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;

And to whoever will come;

This church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the risen Lord Jesus Christ.

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Congregational responses are indicated in boldface.

# Songs of Thankfulness and Praise



#### THE ACCLAMATION

The People standing, the Celebrant says

I will make you as a light for the nations,

That my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.

ISAIAH 49:6

## 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.

## THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Jesus said: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

MATTHEW 22:37-40

## THE KYRIE

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

## THE GLORIA

# Glory to God: Gloria in Excelsis

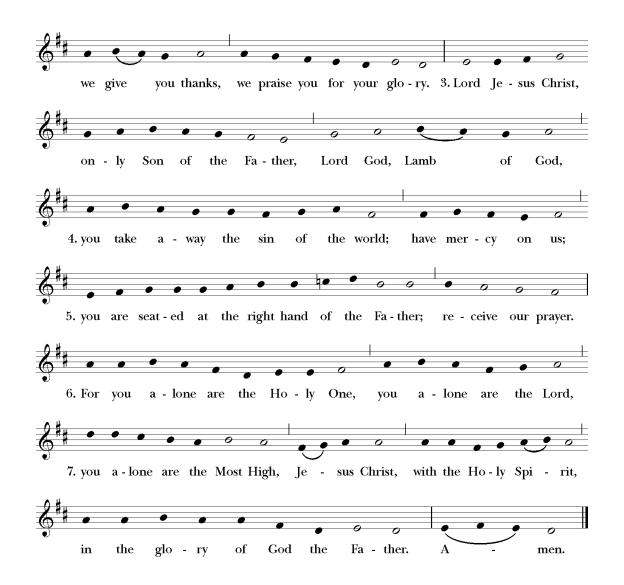
The Hymnal 1982, Service Music-#277 Canticle 20



1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.



2. Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you



## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Celebrant says to the People

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Let us pray.

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

## THE COLLECT FOR CHILDREN

Children in first grade and younger may attend Children's Chapel at this time and return at The Peace.

Almighty God, heavenly Father, you have blessed our congregation with the joy and care of children: Give us courage, patience, and wisdom, as we bring them up in the faith, that they may never know a day apart from your love and care; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE LESSONS

**NEHEMIAH 8:1-12** 

After the Lesson the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### **PSALM 113**



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- Praise the Lord. Sing praises, you servants of the LORD; |
  O praise the Name of the LORD.
- Blessed be the Name of the LORD, | from this time forth for ever more.
- The LORD'S Name be | praised | from the rising up of the sun to the going down of the | same. |
- 4 The LORD is high above all | nations, | and his glory above the | heavens. ||
- Who is like the LORD our God, 'who has his dwelling so 'high, | and yet humbles himself to behold the things that are in heaven and 'earth? |
- 6 He takes up the lowly out of the 'dust, | and lifts the poor out of the 'ashes, |
- 7 That he may set them with the 'princes, | even with the princes of his 'people. |

8 He gives the barren woman a home to 'dwell in, | and makes her to be a joyful mother of children. Praise the 'LORD. |

#### I CORINTHIANS 12:12-27

After the Lesson the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## THE GOSPEL

LUKE 4:14-21

All stand for the Gospel as the Priest reads, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the Gospel, the Priest says

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## THE SERMON

## THE NICENE CREED

All stand to recite the Nicene Creed, the Celebrant first saying

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

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,

was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Bless the mission of this parish and all churches who proclaim your gospel, in particular we pray for Church of the Incarnation in Richmond and for our friends in Uganda.

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

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

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us wisdom to do your will in our various vocations;

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.

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

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

After a time of silence, the People may add their own petitions and thanksgivings. The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

## THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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 PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

And with your spirit.

## THE OFFERTORY

You may place an offering in the basket, give online at holycrossva.org/give, text "Give" to 434-277-4975, or mail a check to PO Box 614, Crozet, VA 22932.

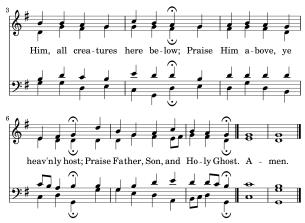
## Who Is Like the Lord our God?

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Composer: Louis Bourgeois (1551); Public Domain





The People stand while the offerings are presented.

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

And of your own have we given you.

I CHRONICLES 29:11, 14T

## THE SURSUM CORDA

The Celebrant says to the People

The Lord be with you.

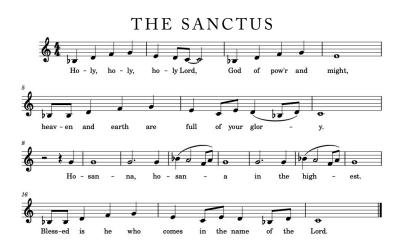
And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise



## THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

The Celebrant and the People say together

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 forever and ever. Amen.

## THE FRACTION

Alleluia. Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed, once for all upon the Cross. **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.** 

## THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

The celebrant will, as always, wash and sanitize his hands before the service and again right before communion.

To receive communion, come forward as directed by the usher. "Cross" the palms of your hands to receive bread from the priest. Gluten-free bread is available upon request.

If you desire to receive wine, please bring a chalice or cup from home. The chalice bearer will pour a small amount of wine into your cup for you (and your family).

If you do not desire to commune, but would like to receive prayer, cross your arms over your chest as you come forward, and the pastor will pray for you.

All baptized Christians who trust in the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, seek to lead a new life by God's mercies, and strive to walk in love and charity with their neighbors are welcome at this table.

During communion there are prayer ministers near the stairs who'd love to pray with you for any need, great or small.

#### PERSONAL PRAYERS FOR USE DURING COMMUNION

For those who Desire to Commit to the Christian Faith

Lord Jesus Christ, I am broken by sin and unable to save myself. I believe that you died for me, bearing my punishment on the cross, and that you offer me forgiveness and new life in you. I turn from my sins and trust in you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### For those in Search of Truth

God, I am uncertain whether you exist and whether you are listening to me now. I want to know the truth, and I am willing to live according to it. If you are there, please reveal yourself to me and give me faith that leads to the abundant life promised by Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### For those who Desire a Deeper Faith

Almighty and eternal God, so draw my heart to you, so guide my mind, so fill my imagination, so control my will, that I may be wholly yours, utterly dedicated to you; and then use me according to your will, for your glory and the welfare of your people. Amen.

# Deck Thyself, my Soul, With Gladness



# My Soul Is Filled With Joy

Words: David Haas (Lk 1:46-55); Music: Traditional Irish Tune



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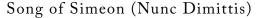
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# THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

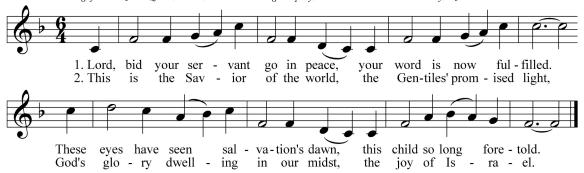
Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious body and blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ: and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.

And now Father, send us out into the world 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 forever. Amen.

### THE BLESSING



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## THE DISMISSAL

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Newcomers Dinner & Class** Are you interested in learning more about our church? Please join us for the next Newcomers Dinner on January 30, 4:30-6:30 PM at the Johnsons. Sign up online. Also, for those interested in exploring membership, our next Newcomers Class begins February 6 on Sunday afternoons from 4:00-5:30 PM and lasts for 10 weeks.

**Adult Sunday School** Trinitarian Love: The Goal of our Bodies, Lives, Marriages, and the Church begins Sunday, January 30, at 8:45 AM and will meet for 14 weeks. This class will explore the meaning of our bodies as those who bear the image of God. We will develop a theological foundation for human embodiment and consider its implications for sexuality, gender, friendship, marriage, family, work, aging, and technology. Taught by Jonathan Yonan, Blake Johnson, and others. Sign up online.

**Small Groups** We encourage everyone to sign up for a small group this semester. Small Groups are informal gatherings for fellowship, prayer, and discussion. View the options and sign up at www.holycrossVA.org/small-groups-2022.

**Youth Sunday School, Sundays at 8:45** AM All teenagers are welcome to participate in this 5 week study of basic Christian theology. There will be room for discussion each week. Teenagers can submit questions or discussion topics here: https://tinyurl.com/HCyouthdiscussion. See Josh Waldron, Michelle Peck, or Sam Parks with questions.

**Holy Cross Prayer Ministry** A team of parishioners is available to pray daily for needs within the parish. Send prayer requests to Tom Harrison at thar65@gmail.com, and he will forward them to team members. All requests are held in strict confidence.

**Children** We love the presence of a growing number of children at Holy Cross! Parents, please be sure not to leave your children unattended while on the premises at Pro Re Nata.

**COVID Precautions** When the temperature is above 50 degrees, we will worship with the large garage doors open to allow for maximum outdoor ventilation. Please consider the weather and dress comfortably. Outdoor, physically-distanced seating is available for those who desire it. Face coverings remain optional under current Virginia law.

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