



The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany

19 February 2017

The Holy Eucharist 10:30 a.m.

WELCOME to The Episcopal Church of the Redeemer. We are so glad you are here to worship with us this morning. If you are visiting, we invite you to sign the guest register in the narthex or to fill out a visitor card, found in the pews. Place the visitor card in the offering plate or give it to an usher or member of the clergy. As the parish community gathers, we invite you to prepare for worship in prayerful silence. During the liturgy, we will use the *BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER* 1979 and *The Hymnal* 1982, found in the pew racks. 'S' refers to the service music section at the front of *The Hymnal* 1982. Large-print leaflets and hearing assistance devices are available. Please speak with an usher or member of the clergy before the liturgy.

THE ENTRANCE RITE

The liturgy begins on page 355 in the BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Prelude in A minor, BWV 543a - Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

As the church bell rings, all stand and join in singing:

HYMN AT THE PROCESSION: Thy strong word did cleave the darkness *HYMNAL*, 381

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.**

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.**

All join in singing:

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

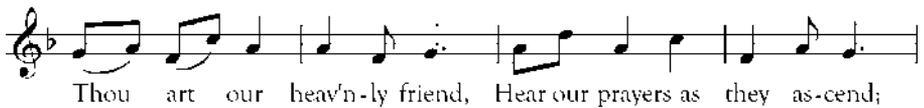
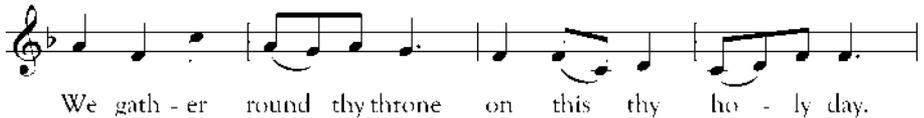
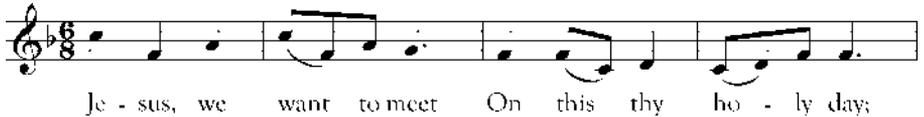
HYMNAL, S-280

THE SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.**

As the children, youth and teachers leave for Church School, all join in singing

HYMN LEVAS 81 Jesus, we want to meet



Music: Nigerian folk song

Text: A. T. Olajide, 1949; tr. Biodun Adebisin; and Austin Lovelace, 1962

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying:

Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy.

When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap to the very edges of your field, or gather the gleanings of your harvest. You shall not strip your vineyard bare, or gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard; you shall leave them for the poor and the alien: I am the LORD your God.

You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; and you shall not lie to one another. And you shall not swear falsely by my name, profaning the name of your God: I am the LORD.

You shall not defraud your neighbor; you shall not steal; and you shall not keep for yourself the wages of a laborer until morning. You shall not revile the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind; you shall fear your God: I am the LORD.

You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the LORD.

You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Choir sings

PSALM 119:33-40

- 33 Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes, *
and I shall keep it to the end.
- 34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; *
I shall keep it with all my heart.
- 35 Make me go in the path of your commandments, *
for that is my desire.
- 36 Incline my heart to your decrees *
and not to unjust gain.
- 37 Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; *
give me life in your ways.
- 38 Fulfill your promise to your servant, *
which you make to those who fear you.
- 39 Turn away the reproach which I dread, *
because your judgments are good.
- 40 Behold, I long for your commandments; *
in your righteousness preserve my life.

Chant: William Crotch

THE SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23

According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ.

Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple.

Do not deceive yourselves. If you think that you are wise in this age, you should become fools so that you may become wise. For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written,

“He catches the wise in their craftiness,”

and again,

“The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are futile.”

So let no one boast about human leaders. For all things are yours, whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future~ all belong to you, and you belong to Christ, and Christ belongs to God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand and sing:

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE: Creating God, your fingers trace

HYMNAL, 394

THE HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 5:38-48

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus said, “You have heard that it was said, ‘An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.’ But I say to you, Do not resist an evildoer. But if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also; and if anyone wants to sue you and take your coat, give your cloak as well; and if anyone forces you to go one mile, go also the second mile. Give to everyone who begs from you, and do not refuse anyone who wants to borrow from you.

“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.”

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

THE SERMON

Rev. Cricket Park

THE NICENE CREED

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor In peace, we pray to you, Lord God

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

People **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Intercessor For this community, the nation, and the world;

People **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Intercessor For the just and proper use of your creation;

People **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Intercessor For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Intercessor For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Intercessor For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Mariann our Bishop; and all bishops and other ministers;

People **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Intercessor For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;

People **For your mercy is great.**

Intercessor We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence. The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;

People **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Intercessor We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People **Who put their trust in you.**

Intercessor We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant offers the Absolution

THE PEACE & THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY *The Adult Choirs sings:*

ANTHEM: The best of rooms

Christ, he requires still, wheresoe'er he comes to feed or lodge, to have the best of rooms: Give him the choice; grant him the nobler part of all the house: the best of all's the heart.

Words: Robert Herrick (1591-1674), *Christ's Part* (1647)

Music: Randall Thompson (1899-1984)

THE DOXOLOGY

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

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (PRAYER B)

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SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,



heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry, Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho



san - na in the high - est, ho-san - na in the high - est.

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

AGNUS DEI

HYMNAL, S-164

All who seek a deeper relationship with God in Jesus Christ are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion during this liturgy. Gluten-free wafers are available. The second chalice bearers have grape juice. Please make your need known at the altar rail. If the reception of Holy Communion is not part of your tradition, you are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest to indicate to the priest your desire to receive a blessing.

THE COMMUNION

All join in singing

HYMN: Jesu, Jesu

HYMNAL, 602

The Adult Choir sings:

ANTHEM: Lead me, Lord

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness, make thy way plain before my face.
For it is thou, Lord, only that makest me dwell in safety.

Text: Psalms 5:8 and 4:9

Music: Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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.

THE BLESSING

All respond: Amen.

HYMN IN PROCESSION: Go forth for God

HYMNAL, 347

THE DISMISSAL

*All respond: **Thanks be to God***

ORGAN VOLUNTARY:

Prelude in A minor, BWV 543a - Johann Sebastian Bach

Please respect those who wish to listen to the organ postlude by holding your conversations outside the sanctuary. Thank you.

Thank you for worshipping with us. At the conclusion of the liturgy, we invite you to join us for refreshments and fellowship in the Parish Hall, located on the lower level of the building.

To learn more about the mission and ministry of The Church of the Redeemer,
visit the parish website: redeemerbethesda.org

■ PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Church of the Redeemer.

You're invited to join us in our mutual Christian journey.

All are welcome at the Lord's Table for communion.

*Please sign the guest book in the foyer or complete a visitor's card,
and please take a copy of Redeemer Spirit.*

We wish to welcome you fully into the Redeemer community!

Wearing your name tag prevents memory loss in other people.

Please wear your name tag.

**Flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God by Helen Zitomer
in memory of Neal Rutledge.**

CONFIRMATION/NEWCOMER CLASSES SCHEDULED

If you wish to be confirmed (make an adult commitment to the baptismal vows made for you at baptism), received (officially become an Episcopalian from a church in communion with ours), or reaffirm your baptismal vows, please plan to come to the following classes here at Redeemer:

March 4 (Sacramental Life/Book of Common Prayer)

April 1 (Living in Christian Community)

All meetings are on Saturdays and will start at 11:30 a.m. Each class should last about 90 minutes. If you are new to the Episcopal Church, high school age and above, or would like a refresher, these classes are for you. If you have questions, please see Amma Cricket.

Adult Forum today welcomes Rev. Elizabeth Gardner to speak with us about the youth ministries in the Diocese. Next Sunday will be Rev. Sarabeth Goodwin to address Immigration Policy and Sanctuary Cities from the church's perspective.

AMERICAN BOYCHOIR SINGS AT REDEEMER THIS AFTERNOON

We are very fortunate to be hosting a return performance by America's most popular touring vocal ensemble, the American Boychoir, this afternoon. The concert begins at 5.00p.m. This is a great event to invite your family and friends. Special thanks to the Friends of Music at Redeemer for making this special performance possible.

3RD ANNUAL VOICES FROM THE HOLY LAND 2017 FILM SERIES

begins at the Washington National Cathedral, Perry Auditorium, this coming Sunday, February 19, at 2:30 pm with a showing of *Two Blue Lines*. Free Event. Free Parking. Link to voicesfromtheholylan.org for details.

PRAYERS FOR CONFIRMANDS - MARCH 5TH AT 10:30 A.M EUCHARIST

As we begin Lent it is appropriate that we keep in our prayers those who are preparing for confirmation and reception. This meaningful rite will occur after the Peace on the first Sunday of Lent. Questions? See Amma Cricket. (Rite 13 is being postponed to April 23rd.)

REDEEMER BOOK GROUP

The next reading of the Book Group is: *A Rage for Order ~ The Middle East in Turmoil, from Tahrir Square to ISIS* by Robert Worth. The book narrates first hand accounts of how various countries rose up against dictatorship and then why they were not able to sustain democracy. Robert Worth is a New York Times journalist who has written an eye-opening read for anyone interested in understanding the raging crisis in the Middle East. Discussion of the book will take place at 3 pm on Sunday, February 26 at the home of Juliet Grant-Suttie, 4986 Sentinel Drive #301, Bethesda, Md. 20816. For questions, contact Huda Kraske at hqkraske@aol.com. The author may be able to join us for the discussion.

HELP WANTED SUNDAYS

Would you like a leadership role on Sunday mornings that doesn't involve speaking in public? We need acolytes and crucifers especially. Please e-mail John Harbeson (jwharbeson@aol.com) or Amma Cricket to volunteer. Also, Chrissy deFontenay requires assistance for Coffee Hour. Chrissy leads the coffee hour teams, but needs 3-4 people each month to help. Please e-mail Chrissy (ccdefonteny@yahoo.com) or sign up on the list in the parish hall.

ISO BABY MONITOR. A Redeemer parishioner would like to borrow a baby monitor for a couple of months to help with an ill adult. Are there any parents out there who have outgrown theirs? Please let Amma Cricket know and she'll connect you with the parishioner.

ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1

The Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes will be available at three services on Ash Wednesday, March 1, at 7:30 a.m., 12:00 noon and 7:30 p.m. The Adult Choir will sing at the evening service. Music will include the sublimely beautiful *Miserere* by *Gregorio Allegri*.

AMAZON CHARITABLE DONATIONS. When you purchase items remember: your purchases at **smile.amazon.com** can support Church Of The Redeemer. Go to the Smile website, select Redeemer as your charity. Amazon donates a small percentage of your purchase. The little bits add up so sign up today! (This, of course, is a supplement, not a substitute, for your pledge.)

NEED A NAME TAG?

Please contact the office by e-mail (office@redeemerbethesda.org) or sign up on the name tag form in the narthex.

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Margaret: accounting@redeemerbethesda.org

■ PRAYER REQUESTS

For those in need of healing:

Ralph & Barbara Alterowitz, Bill Barclay, Scott Barnette, Jeff Bergner, Vicky & Claudia Bock, Allison Chow, Bill Cooper, Joan Eisenstodt, Rees Evans, Kiki Garo, Lucien Garo, Jr., Jeff Griffen, Jack Hutchings, Susan Ingraham, Olivier Jeanne, Kurt Kemper, Peter & Beate Kendall, Rosalie Kerr, Susan Moore, Hal Palmer, Mary Potter, Jack Rabner, Charlotte Ripa, Tom Rogers, Mike Rychlik, Bill Ryon, Phillip Sarsany, Claudia Serin, Lynda Shepard, Anne Southard, Karen Stewart, Patricia Snowden, Ann Taylor, Bernie, Edward, Katherine, Jim, Mollie, Quinn, Logan, Hyla, Jay, Nico, and Evan.

In thanksgiving for those celebrating birthdays: Charlotte Betts, Janet Davis, Gabriela Noya, Toria Rose, Tim Yehl

In thanksgiving for birth of Samuel Heath Mooneyham, grandson of Frank Anderson. He was born on Wednesday, February 8th.

■ LITURGICAL ASSISTANTS

Sunday, February 19 - Healing Sunday

Ushers: Jefferson Arrington, Mary K Young, Michael Mershon

Crucifer: Sam Nickerson

Acolyte: Olivia Tyler

Lectors: Susan Grigsby (8:00) , Beth Warner, Huda Kraske (10:30)

Intercessor: Pat Fitzgerald

Chalice: Tami McMinn (8:00); Patricia Snowden, Steve France, Helen Zitomer, Nathan Price (10:30)

Greeters: Brooke Anthony, Mary K Young

Counters: Clark Downs, Ben Ivins

Flowers: Patricia Snowden

Diana Dial, Cathy Baker, Ann Hartman

Healing Ministers: Toni Strother, Thad Arrington, Marylin Raisch, Ann Taylor

Sunday, February 26

Ushers: Jefferson Arrington, Ben Ivins, Bill MacBain

Crucifer: Cara Price

Acolyte: Thad Arrington

Lectors: TBD (8:00), Bill MacBain, Lisa MacBain (10:30)

Intercessor: Randolph Court

Chalice: Susan Grigsby (8:00), Michael Hart, Justin Hess, Jenny Nachbar, Chrissy deFontenay

Greeters: Michael Mershon, Melinda Nelson

Flowers: Kukula Glasstris

Altar Guild: Tami McMinn, Helen Zitomer, Ann Taylor

Sign-up sheets for Coffee Hour and Altar Flowers are on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall. **Please volunteer for these ministries of hospitality. Thank you!**

If you cannot serve, or if you will sub for a TBD above, please notify Bob Yates

(bob@bobyates.net).

■ PARISH CALENDAR

Today, February 19

- Holy Eucharist, 8:00 a.m.
- Holy Eucharist, 10:30 a.m.
- American Boychoir, 5:00 p.m.

Monday, February 20 –Office Closed

- AA Meeting, 12:00 p.m.
- Centering Prayer , 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, February 21

- Deadline for This Week at Redeemer, 9:00 a.m.
- Education for Ministry, 6:30 p.m
- AA Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 22

- Morning Prayer, 9:00 a.m.
- Education for Ministry, 9:30 am
- AA Meeting, 12:00 p.m.
- Holy Eucharist, 12:00 p.m.
- Youth Choir Rehearsal, 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 23

- Daisy Scouts, 6:00 p.m.
- Balkan Dancers, 7:30 p.m.
- Adult Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, February 24

- Music Together, 10:00 a.m.
- AA Meditation Meeting, Noon
- AA Meeting, 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 25

- Yoga, 9:30 a.m.

Looking ahead:

American Boychoir, THIS AFTERNOON

Book Group, February 26

Pancake Supper and Talent Show, February 28

Ash Wednesday, March 1

First Sunday in Lent, March 5

Lenten Series with Joe Clark, begins March 8

Newcomers Lunch, March 18

Rite 13 ceremony, April 23

■ LECTIONARY READINGS

Sunday, February 26

Last Sunday after Epiphany

Exodus 24:12-18

2 Peter 1:16-21

Matthew 17:1-9

Psalm 99



THE EPISCOPAL

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

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O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth stand in awe of him.