



# THE HOLY EUCHARIST WITH HEALING

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 16, 2020  
10:30am

WE WELCOME YOU TO REDEEMER

We are an Episcopal Church. Our prayers and liturgies have their roots in the first prayer book in the English language (1549), and blossom as the spirit leads us. During Epiphany, we are using *An Order for the Holy Communion* (2009) from the Anglican Church of Australia © Anglican Church of Australia Trust Corporation. Everything you need for our liturgy this morning is in this bulletin or in the **Taizé Book**.

Every third Sunday of the month we offer **healing prayers** and laying on of hands in the Chapel of St. Luke the Physician. If you wish to have someone pray for you, someone you love, or for the world, make your way to the healing ministers during communion.

In the early church, everyone stood to pray. You are invited to stand, kneel or sit for the prayers, as you are able. It is our practice to stand while singing—apart from any music during the distribution of communion, when we sit. Traditionally we sit for readings and psalms, but we stand for the Gospel reading, turning to face the reader, to elevate those texts above others. We also stand for the Creed. We say together all text set in **bold** type.

**Communion is the expression of our communal life together in Christ and everyone is warmly invited to receive communion or a blessing, either at the altar rail, or if walking is difficult, we can come to you.**

Between January 6<sup>th</sup> (Epiphany) and February 26<sup>th</sup> (Ash Wednesday) are the Sundays in a green, but not “ordinary,” season. Epiphany emphasizes how Jesus is, as the hymn declares, ‘prophet, priest, and king supreme’. From the visit of the Magi to the Transfiguration on the mountain top, our readings are stories of how Jesus displays his divine calling not only to the Jews, but to the Gentiles as well.

## THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE MUSIC—OCULI NOSTRI, *sung by all*—see Taizé Book

WELCOME—The Very Rev'd Cricket Park, Rector

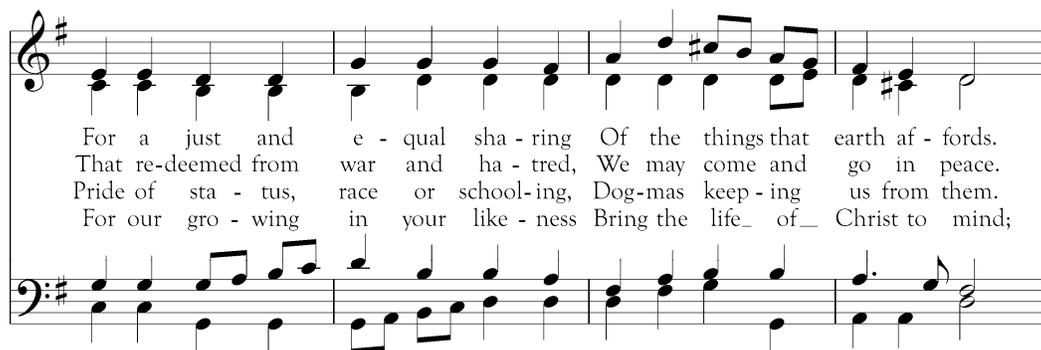
*At the sound of the church bell, the People stand to sing*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN—For the healing of the nations

*Alleluia, dulce carmen*



1. For the heal - ing of the na - tions, Lord, we pray with one ac - cord;  
2. Lead us, Lord, now in - to free - dom, From des - pair your world re - lease;  
3. All that kills a - bun - dant li - ving, Let it from the earth be banned  
4. You, Cre - a - tor God, have writ - ten Your great name on hu - man - kind;



For a just and e - qual sha - ring Of the things that earth af - fords.  
That re - deemed from war and ha - tred, We may come and go in peace.  
Pride of sta - tus, race or school - ing, Dog - mas keep - ing us from them.  
For our gro - wing in your like - ness Bring the life\_ of\_ Christ to mind;

To a life of love in ac - tion Help us\_ rise and pledge our word.  
 Show us how, through care and good - ness, Fear will die and hope in - crease.  
 In our com - mon quest for jus - tice May we\_ hal - low life's brief span.  
 That by our res - ponse and ser - vice Earth its\_ des - ti - ny may find.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

*Presider* 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 People sing:*

TRISAGION—WLP 843 John Karl Hirten (b.1956)

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and might-y,  
 Ho - ly Im - mor-tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

*The Trisagion (Greek: Τρισάγιον "Thrice Holy"), sometimes called by its opening line 'Agios O Theos', is a standard hymn of the Divine Liturgy in most of the Eastern Orthodox, Oriental Orthodox and Eastern Catholic churches.*

*The People remain standing:*

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Presider*        The Lord be with you.

*People*         **And also with you.**

*Presider*        Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE LESSONS

*The people sit as children, youth and teachers go downstairs for Church School and remain seated for the lessons and psalm.*

### FIRST READING—Sirach 15:15-20

*Lector*         A Reading from the book of the prophet Sirach.

<sup>15</sup>If you choose, you can keep the commandments,  
and to act faithfully is a matter of your own choice.

<sup>16</sup>He has placed before you fire and water;  
stretch out your hand for whichever you choose.

<sup>17</sup>Before each person are life and death,  
and whichever one chooses will be given.

<sup>18</sup>For great is the wisdom of the Lord;  
he is mighty in power and sees everything;

<sup>19</sup>his eyes are on those who fear him,  
and he knows every human action.

<sup>20</sup>He has not commanded anyone to be wicked,  
and he has not given anyone permission to sin.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 119:1-8 *Beati immaculate* Edward John Hopkins (1818-1901)

*Choir* <sup>1</sup>Happy are they whose way is blameless, \*  
who walk in the law of the LORD!  
<sup>2</sup>Happy are they who observe his decrees \*  
and seek him with all their hearts!  
<sup>3</sup>Who never do any wrong, \*  
but always walk in his ways.  
<sup>4</sup>You laid down your commandments, \*  
that we should fully keep them.  
<sup>5</sup>Oh, that my ways were made so direct \*  
that I might keep your statutes!  
<sup>6</sup>Then I should not be put to shame, \*  
when I regard all your commandments.  
<sup>7</sup>I will thank you with an unfeigned heart, \*  
when I have learned your righteous judgments.  
<sup>8</sup>I will keep your statutes; \*  
do not utterly forsake me.

EPISTLE—1 Corinthians 3:1-9

*Lector* A Reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

Brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations? For when one says, "I

belong to Paul,” and another, “I belong to Apollos,” are you not merely human?

What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each. For we are God’s servants, working together; you are God’s field, God’s building.

*Lector*            The Word of the Lord.  
*People*             **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN—674, “Forgive our sins as we forgive”

*Detroit*

THE GOSPEL—Matthew 5:21-37

*the people turn to face the Gospel*

*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 to those of ancient times, ‘You shall not murder’; and ‘whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.’ But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, ‘You fool,’ you will be liable to the hell of fire. So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and

you will be thrown into prison. Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell.

“It was also said, ‘Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.’ But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

“Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, ‘You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.’ But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let your word be ‘Yes, Yes’ or ‘No, No’; anything more than this comes from the evil one.”

<i>Gospeller</i>	The Gospel of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	<b>Praise to you, Lord Christ.</b>

*The People are seated at the invitation of the preacher*

SERMON                      The Rev'd Cricket Park

*After a brief period of reflection, the People stand to affirm their faith:*

## THE NICENE CREED

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *the people kneel or remain standing*

*Intercessor* Be with us, O Christ, in the offering of our prayers, as we respond,  
“Hear us, God of Glory.”

*Intercessor* That by your blessing and unfaltering presence we may choose life  
over death, and follow the path whose destination is spiritual  
prosperity and whose way is uncompromising love; let us pray.

*People* **Hear us, God of Glory.**

*Intercessor* That our ministry with and for each other may take on the yoke of  
servanthood, the garment of humility that transcends quarreling,  
false witness, and self-righteousness, so that we may walk the road  
that leads to Christ, and bear witness to his truth; let us pray.

*People* **Hear us, God of Glory.**

*Intercessor* That the Church, in her desire to foster growth and change, may  
respond to the needs of those outside her fellowship, proclaiming  
the liberating power of forgiveness and the glorious freedom that  
flows from God’s glorious mercy; let us pray.

*People* **Hear us, God of Glory.**

*Intercessor* For peace throughout the world, beginning with our families and  
friends, flowing into the hearts of our political leaders, finding its  
fulfillment through the nations and peoples of the world; let us  
pray.

*People* **Hear us, God of Glory.**

*Intercessor* In thanksgiving for those who tend to the needs of the poor, giving  
aid when needed, training when helpful, teaching when called  
upon, and who commit to those whom others neglect; let us pray.

*People* **Hear us, God of Glory.**

*Intercessor* In thanksgiving for the promise of eternal life, and for the  
intercessions of those who have died and who now live upon  
another shore and in a greater light; let us pray.

*People* **Hear us, God of Glory.**

*Intercessor* In thanksgiving for our children, who unknowingly capture the essence of mystery, drawing us beyond earthly wisdom and revealing the simplicity of faith; let us pray.

*People* **Hear us, God of Glory.**

*Intercessor* In the confidence of God's unending love, let us continue our prayers.

*Silence*

*The People add their intercessions or thanksgivings, silently or aloud.*

*The Presider adds a concluding Collect.*

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*Presider* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.  
*Silence may be kept.*

*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 ABSOLUTION

*Presider* 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

*Presider* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

*The People greet one another in the name of the Lord, then sit for announcements.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA

*The People remain seated.*

### OFFERTORY

*The Presider says an invitation. The Choir sings the Anthem  
and the elements and gifts are brought to the altar.*

### ANTHEM—Set me as a Seal

René Clausen (b. 1953)

*Set me as a seal upon your heart  
As a seal upon your arm  
For love is strong as death  
Set me as a seal upon your heart  
As a seal upon your arm  
For love is strong as death*

*Many waters cannot quench love  
Neither can the floods drown it  
Neither can the floods drown it  
Set me as a seal upon your heart  
As a seal upon your arm  
For love is strong as death*

Text: Song of Songs, 8:6

*The People stand to sing:*

THE DOXOLOGY

*Lasst uns erfreuen*

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

*The People remain standing.*

*Presider*        The Lord be with you.

*People*            **And also with you.**

*Presider*        Lift up your hearts.

*People*            **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Presider*        Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*            **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Presider*        With all our hearts we praise you, faithful God.  
                      In the beginning, you called light to shine in darkness,  
                      you made living things to grow and flourish  
                      and you created human beings in your image.

You chose us in love,  
                      guided us by your presence  
                      and blessed us with your holy law.  
Yet we chose our own sinful ways.  
We broke your commandments,  
                      persecuted your prophets,  
                      forgot your wisdom  
                      and, time after time,  
                      refused to answer your call.

So you spoke an eternal word in a human voice  
                      in Jesus of Nazareth, son of Mary, Son of God.  
                      He called and people followed,  
                      leaving every other loyalty.  
                      He set us free to praise your holy name.  
But hatred and violence shouted Jesus down.  
                      Betrayed and abandoned and nailed to a cross,

he laid down his life for the world he loved,  
and broke the chains of evil and death.  
Then you turned our sorrow into joy.  
On the third day you raised him up  
to lead your people into life.

So we praise you, holy God,  
with angels and archangels  
and all your faithful people:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS—*Mass for Third Sunday*

G. Silver

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord,  
6 God of po-wer and might,  
11 heav - en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na  
16 in the high - est. Blessed are  
22 they who come in the name of the  
27 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The Presider continues*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION      *The People stand or kneel.*

On the night before he died,  
Jesus gathered with his friends  
to share a meal and wash their feet,  
teaching one more lesson of love.

He took bread  
and blessed you  
and broke it.  
He gave it to them and said:  
“Take this and eat it.  
This is my body.”

He took a cup of wine  
and blessed you  
and gave it to them.  
He said: “Take this and drink it.  
This is my blood,  
sealing God’s promise to forgive your sins.  
Whenever you do this,  
do it in memory of me.”

As we share these holy gifts,  
we remember the Lord Jesus.

For the love you taught us,  
the sacrifice you made for us  
and the hope you give us,  
we acclaim you, O Christ:

*People*      **Dying you destroyed our death.  
Rising, you restored our life.  
Christ Jesus, come in glory.**

*The Presider continues*

EPICLESIS

And now, faithful God,  
send us your Spirit  
to feed us with the body and the blood  
of our Savior, Jesus Christ.  
Make us one body in Christ.  
Send us as your messengers in the world  
and fill us with energy, courage and love.

Now to you, most holy God,  
through Christ your Son and in the Spirit's power,  
we bring our worship and our songs of praise:

*People*

Blessing and honor and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. *AMEN.*

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,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Presider* As this broken bread was once many grains,  
which have been gathered together and made one bread:

*People* **so may your Church be gathered  
from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

*Presider* The gifts of God for the people of God.  
Draw near with faith, to feed on Christ in your hearts with  
thanksgiving.

*All who hunger for God are cordially invited to share the Gifts of God offered at this table,  
including children. Whoever you are, wherever you are in your life's journey,  
you are welcome here.*

*It is our custom to receive the bread in the upturned palms of our hands, eat the bread  
immediately, and then take a sip from the chalice. Please grasp the bottom of the chalice to  
guide it to your lips. You may also choose to dip the bread in the wine and then eat it.  
Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available; please let the minister know your needs.*

**If you wish to have someone pray  
for healing for you, someone you love, or for the world,  
make your way to the healing ministers  
during communion.**

## MUSIC DURING COMMUNION AND HEALING MINISTRY

*Sung by all—See the separate Taizé music sheet*

*Founded in 1940 in a small village in eastern France, Taizé is an ecumenical monastic community whose prayer, three times each day, is at the center of their life together. Today, Taizé is a place to which visitors of all ages and backgrounds come on pilgrimage, to participate in international meetings of prayer and reflection.*

*In the Taizé tradition, single verse hymns are sung, in repetition, a dozen or so times over the course of several minutes. During the repetitions, the music (and the singer) are gradually released from the shackles of the printed page, and the melodies may then be freely adapted, improvised upon or reharmonized, as the Spirit takes us—similar in many respects to the freeing nature of jazz.*

*You are invited to sing or hum the melodies in any language,  
or to simply listen and reflect.*

*The People stand*

## THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*Presider*        Let us pray.  
We thank you, God,  
for all the blessings of this table:  
for the life-giving story,  
the living bread  
and the wine of new creation.

*People*        **Send us, we pray, in the strength of this meal,  
to tell the Good News to neighbors and strangers  
with creative words and compassionate service,  
walking the way of Christ.**

*Presider*        God who has called you is faithful.  
Go into the world with joy,  
forgive generously,  
love extravagantly, live abundantly.  
And the blessing of God,  
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
be upon you now and for ever. **Amen.**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN—304, I come with joy, w.3, 4, 5

*Land of Rest*

THE DISMISSAL    *People:*        **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

*Please take this bulletin home with you.*

*We invite you to join us downstairs for refreshments and fellowship in the Parish Hall.*

*To learn more about the mission and ministry of The Church of the Redeemer,  
visit [www.redeemberbethesda.org](http://www.redeemberbethesda.org)*

*You will find the latest edition of our monthly newsletter,  
**Redeemer Spirit**, in the Narthex, Parish Hall, and on our website.*

## LECTIONARY THIS WEEK

**February 23—Last Sunday after the Epiphany, YEAR A**

Exodus 24:12-18 | 2 Peter 1:16-21 | Matthew 17:1-9 | Psalm 2

**February 26—Ash Wednesday, YEAR A**

Joel 2:1-2,12-17 | 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10 | Matthew 6:1-6,16-21 | 103:8-14

## UPCOMING COMMEMORATIONS

**Charles Todd Quintard: Bishop of Tennessee, 1898**

Sunday, February 16, 2020

**Janani Luwum, Archbishop and Martyr, 1977**

Monday, February 17, 2020

**Martin Luther, Pastor and Church Reformer, 1546**

Tuesday, February 18, 2020

**Frederick Douglass, Social Reformer, 1895**

Thursday, February 20, 2020

**John Henry Newman: Priest and Theologian, 1890**

Friday, February 21, 2020

**Eric Liddell: Missionary to China, 1945**

Saturday, February 22, 2020

**February 16, 2020**

**8:00 Service:**

Lector: Susan Grigsby

Chalice: Susan Grigsby

**10:30 Service:**

Ushers: Richard Tyler, Madeleine Tyler

Acolyte: Olivia Tyler

Lectors: Patricia Snowden, Chris Austin

Intercessor: Michael Mershon

Chalice: Steve France, Patricia Snowden,  
Michael Hart

Healing Ministers: Peggy Tucker, Marylin  
Raisch, Ann Taylor, Justin Hess

Counters: Jane Dealy, Ben Ivins

Coffee Hour: Bill Heron & Susan Shin

**February 23, 2020**

**8:00 Service:**

Lector: Marie France

Chalice: Marie France

**10:30 Service:**

Ushers: Jefferson Arrington,  
Michael Mershon

Acolyte: Thad Arrington

Lectors: Michael Mershon, Marylin Raisch

Intercessor: Jo Barclay-Beard

Chalice: Helen Zitomer, Ben Ivins,  
Justin Hess

Counters: Mary K Young, Ben Ivins

Coffee Hour: Claire & Tony Incorvati



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

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