THE HOLY EUCHARIST
THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

February 24, 2019
8:00 AM
Newcomers and visitors, the community of Saint Mark’s welcomes you. We hope that you will feel at home in this place and in this liturgy. Mothers are most welcome to breastfeed their infants during the service. Out of respect for the liturgy we are about to celebrate, please turn off all cell phones and audible devices. Please, no photography during the liturgy.

The Very Reverend Steven L. Thomason, Dean and Rector of Saint Mark’s Cathedral, Presider & Preacher

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE  
Elévation from Messe Basse, Op. 30  
Louis Vierne (1870–1937)

All rise as able.

HYMN 657  
Love divine, all loves excelling  
◆ The Hymnal 1982 #657  
stanzas 1 & 2  
TUNE: Hyfrydol

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider  
Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Assembly  
And Blessed be God’s kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY  
Book of Common Prayer, p. 355

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  
Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.  
Book of Common Prayer, p. 356

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  
Book of Common Prayer, p. 216

Presider  
The Lord be with you.
Assembly  
And also with you.
Presider  
Let us pray.

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.
**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**READING**  
*Genesis 45:3–11, 15*

Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?” But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, “Come closer to me.” And they came closer. He said, “I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, ‘Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children’s children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.’

And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

*Reader*  
Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

*Assembly*  
Thanks be to God.

**PSALM**  
*Psalm 37:1–12, 41–42 • read by all in unison*

_Noli æmulari_

Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; *  
do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

1 For they shall soon wither like the grass, *  
and like the green grass fade away.

2 Put your trust in the Lord and do good; *  
dwell in the land and feed on its riches.

3 Take delight in the Lord, *  
and he shall give you your heart’s desire.

4 Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in him, *  
and he will bring it to pass.

5 He will make your righteousness as clear as the light *  
and your just dealing as the noonday.

6 Be still before the Lord *  
and wait patiently for him.

7 Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, *  
the one who succeeds in evil schemes.

8 Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; *  
do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.

9 For evildoers shall be cut off, *  
but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the land.

10 In a little while the wicked shall be no more; *  
you shall search out their place, but they will not be there.

11 But the lowly shall possess the land; *  
they will delight in abundance of peace.

12 But the deliverance of the righteous comes from the Lord; *  
he is their stronghold in time of trouble.

41 But the Lord will help them and rescue them; *  
he will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them, because they seek refuge in him. •
**READING**

1 Corinthians 15:35–38, 42–50

SOMEONE will ask, “How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?” Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, “The first man, Adam, became a living being”; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishables.

Reader  Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

Assembly  Thanks be to God.

All rise as able.


Presider  The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Assembly  Glory to you, Lord Christ.

JESUS said, “I say to you who listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

“If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

“Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.”

Presider  The Gospel of the Lord.

Assembly  Praise to you, Lord Christ.
All rise as able.

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.

PRAYERS OF THE ASSEMBLY

After each petition:

Intercessor    Lord, in your mercy,
Assembly      Hear our prayer.

The Presider concludes the prayers with a collect. All respond: Amen.
THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

All rise as able as the bread, wine and money we offer to God are brought forward and presented at the altar table.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING   Eucharistic Prayer B  Book of Common Prayer, p. 367

Presider     The Lord be with you.
Assembly     And also with you.
Presider     Lift up your hearts.
Assembly     We lift them to the Lord.
Presider     Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
Assembly     It is right to give God thanks and praise.
Presider     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:

All     Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
         heaven and earth are full of your glory.
         Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
         Hosanna in the highest.

CONFESSION

Presider    Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
You are invited to stand or kneel for the confession.

Presider    Most merciful God,
All     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 Presider pronounces God’s forgiveness of our sins. All respond: Amen.

THE PEACE

Presider    The peace of the Lord be always with you.
Assembly    And also with you.
All greet one another in the name of the Lord.
Presider 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,

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

Presider 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.

All AMEN.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

All Our Father in heaven,
    hallowed be your Name,
    your kingdom come,
    your will be done,
    on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
    as we forgive those
    who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
    and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
    and the glory are yours,
    now and for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Presider Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.
Assembly Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Presider  The gifts of God for the people of God.

All seeking God are welcome at Christ’s Table.

If you need communion brought to your seat, please let any of the liturgical ministers know.
Rice wafers for those who do not eat wheat are available; simply ask for one at the time of communion.

Hold out your hand to receive the bread and then eat. Guide the chalice of wine to your mouth and then drink.

Or you may leave the bread in your hand for the chalice bearer to dip in the wine and feed you.

To receive a blessing instead of communion, simply cross your arms over your chest.

COMMUNION VOLUNTARY  Organ Improvisation

All rise as able.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION  Book of Common Prayer, p. 365

Presider  Eternal God,
All  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  The Presider asks God’s blessing on the Assembly. All respond:  Amen.

HYMN 593  The Hymnal 1982 #593

Lord, make us servants of your peace
TUNE: Dickinson College

stanzas 1, 3 & 4

DISMISSAL

Presider  Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
Assembly  Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY  Carillon de Westminster  Louis Vierne

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