

**THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**  
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**February 22, 2025**  
**5:30 PM**

The Sacrament Of The Altar will be celebrated at the 5:30 PM & 8:00 AM services. Anyone who is not yet instructed, in doubt or holds a differing confession and yet desires to receive the Sacrament, is asked first to speak with a Pastor, Elder, or Worship Assistant.

**PRE-SERVICE AND GREETING**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** *(Please fill out Friendship Pads)*

**OPENING HYMN** “O Bless the Lord, My Soul” *LSB* 814, sts. 1-6

**Please stand**

**INVOCATION**

P. In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
C. **Amen**

**CONFESSION**

P. Let us confess our sins to God our Father.  
C. **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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 justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

**ABSOLUTION**

P. People of God, I have good news for you! Know with joy that upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Lord, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ and on His behalf, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
C. **Amen.**

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**PSALM 103:1-13** (*spoken responsively*)

P. <sup>1</sup>Bless the LORD, O my soul,  
and all that is within me, bless  
his holy name!

C. <sup>2</sup>**Bless the LORD, O my soul,  
and forget not all his bene-  
fits,**

P. <sup>3</sup>who forgives all your iniquity,  
who heals all your diseases,

C. <sup>4</sup>**who redeems your life from  
the pit, who crowns you with  
steadfast love and mercy,**

P. <sup>5</sup>who satisfies you with good  
so that your youth is renewed  
like the eagle's.

C. <sup>6</sup>**The LORD works righteous-  
ness and justice for all who  
are oppressed.**

P. <sup>7</sup>He made known his ways to  
Moses, his acts to the people  
of Israel.

C. <sup>8</sup>**The LORD is merciful and  
gracious, slow to anger and  
abounding in steadfast love.**

P. <sup>9</sup>He will not always chide, nor  
will he keep his anger forever.

C. <sup>10</sup>**He does not deal with us  
according to our sins, nor re-  
pay us according to our iniq-  
uities.**

P. <sup>11</sup>For as high as the heavens are  
above the earth, so great is his  
steadfast love toward those  
who fear him;

C. <sup>12</sup>**as far as the east is from the  
west, so far does he remove  
our transgressions from us.**

P. <sup>13</sup>As a father shows compassion  
to his children, so the LORD  
shows compassion to those  
who fear him.

**GLORY BE TO THE FATHER  
AND TO THE SON  
AND TO THE HOLY SPIRIT.**

**AS IT WAS IN THE BEGINNING;  
IS NOW, AND WILL BE FOREVER.  
AMEN.**

*Please be seated*

**FIRST LESSON**

**Genesis 45:3-15**

<sup>3</sup>Joseph said to his brothers, "I  
am Joseph! Is my father still  
alive?" But his brothers could not  
answer him, for they were dis-  
mayed at his presence.

<sup>4</sup>So Joseph said to his brothers,  
"Come near to me, please." And  
they came near. And he said, "I am

your brother, Joseph, whom you  
sold into Egypt. <sup>5</sup>And now do  
not be distressed or angry with  
yourselves because you sold me  
here, for God sent me before you  
to preserve life. <sup>6</sup>For the famine  
has been in the land these two  
years, (continued...)

P. You are welcome to come to the Lord's Table.

C. **Amen.**

*Please be seated*

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

**"Where Charity and Love Prevail"**

*LSB 845, sts. 1-6*

**"O God, My Faithful God"**

*LSB 696, sts. 1-6*

*After the distribution—please stand*

**DISMISSAL**

P. The true body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ  
strengthen and preserve you in the one true faith to life †  
everlasting.

C. **Amen**

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

P. Let us pray... We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have  
refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of  
Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith  
toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus  
Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the  
Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C. **Amen**

**BENEDICTION**

P. The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.  
In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C. **Amen**

*Please sit*

**CLOSING HYMN "Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us"**

*LSB 851, sts. 1-4*

P. Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C. **Thanks be to God!**

**Postlude**

**\* \* \* TO GOD BE THE GLORY \* \* \***

Please be seated

## TITHES AND OFFERING

Please stand

### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P. Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

*Lord, in Your mercy,*

**Hear our prayer.**

P. Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C. Amen**

P. Together let us pray as our Lord Jesus taught us...

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**C. 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 glory forever and ever. Amen**

### SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

P. The Lord be with you.

**C. And also with you.**

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P. Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

and there are yet five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. <sup>7</sup>And God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. <sup>8</sup>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. <sup>9</sup>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 tarry. <sup>10</sup>You shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, and your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. <sup>11</sup>There I will provide for you, for there are yet five years of famine to

### SECOND LESSON

<sup>21</sup>For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. <sup>22</sup>For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. <sup>23</sup>But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. <sup>24</sup>Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. <sup>25</sup>For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup>The last enemy to be destroyed is death. . . . <sup>30</sup>Why am I in danger every hour? <sup>31</sup>I protest, brothers, by my pride in you, which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die every

come, so that you and your household, and all that you have, do not come to poverty.' <sup>12</sup>And now your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see, that it is my mouth that speaks to you. <sup>13</sup>You must tell my father of all my honor in Egypt, and of all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." <sup>14</sup>Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, and Benjamin wept upon his neck. <sup>15</sup>And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them. After that his brothers talked with him.

L. This is the Word of the Lord.

**C. Thanks be to God.**

### **1 Corinthians 15:21-26, 30-42**

day! <sup>32</sup>What do I gain if, humanly speaking, I fought with beasts at Ephesus? If the dead are not raised, "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die." <sup>33</sup>Do not be deceived: "Bad company ruins good morals." <sup>34</sup>Wake up from your drunken stupor, as is right, and do not go on sinning. For some have no knowledge of God. I say this to your shame. <sup>35</sup>But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" <sup>36</sup>You foolish person! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies.

*(continued...)*

<sup>37</sup>And what you sow is not the body that is to be, but a bare kernel, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. <sup>38</sup>But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

<sup>39</sup>For not all flesh is the same, but there is one kind for humans, another for animals, another for birds, and another for fish.

<sup>40</sup>There are heavenly bodies and earthly bodies, but the glory of the heavenly is of one kind, and the glory of the earthly is of another.

### **HOLY GOSPEL**

P. The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixth chapter.

#### **C. Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>27</sup>[Jesus said:] “But I say to you who hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, <sup>28</sup>bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. <sup>29</sup>To one who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from one who takes away your cloak do not withhold your tunic either. <sup>30</sup>Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods do not demand them back. <sup>31</sup>And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them.

<sup>32</sup>“If you love those who love you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. <sup>33</sup>And if you do good to those who do good to you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. <sup>34</sup>And if you lend to those from whom

other. <sup>41</sup>There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for star differs from star in glory.

<sup>42</sup>So is it with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable; what is raised is imperishable.

L. This is the Word of the Lord.  
**C. Thanks be to God.**

#### **Please stand**

**Luke 6:27-38**

you expect to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to get back the same amount. <sup>35</sup>But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil. <sup>36</sup>Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.

<sup>37</sup>“Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; <sup>38</sup>give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you.”

P. This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**C. Praise to You, O Christ.**

#### **Please be seated**

### **CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

#### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

“Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service” *LSB* 848, sts. 1-4

#### **SERMON “LOVE YOUR ENEMIES AND JUDGE NOT”**

(Text: Luke 6:27-38) *The Rev. Peter Gueldner*

#### **Please stand**

### **NICENE CREED**

**I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.  
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living  
and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.  
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped  
and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life + of the world to come. Amen.**