



St. Edward's Episcopal Church

The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany
February 23, 2025 + 8:00 am
The Holy Eucharist + Rite 1

The Procession into the Church

Hymn 637

THE WORD OF GOD

The Collect for Purity

BCP 323

Gloria

BCP 324

The Collect of the Day

O Lord, who hast taught us that all our doings without charity are nothing worth: Send thy Holy Ghost and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity, the very bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whosoever liveth is counted dead before thee. Grant this for thine only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson:

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.

Psalm 37:1-12; 41-42

BCP 633

The Second Lesson: 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 imperishable.

The Gospel:**Luke 6:27-38**

Jesus said, "I say to you that 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."

The Homily**Rev. Mark Lafler****The Nicene Creed****BCP 327****The Prayers of the People****BCP 328****Confession of Sin****BCP 331****The Peace****BCP 332****Welcome and Announcements****THE HOLY COMMUNION****The Offertory****The Doxology****Hymn 380, vs. 3****Eucharistic Prayer 1****BCP 333****The Lord's Prayer****BCP 336****Feb****The Communion**

All Christians who have been baptized and of a clean conscience are welcome to receive communion. All others are invited to come forward to receive a blessing or remain in their seats in prayer. If you are interested in baptism, please contact the office.

Healing Prayers**The Post Communion Prayer****BCP 339****The Blessing****The Procession into the World****Hymn 657****Dismissal****BCP 340**



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The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany
February 23, 2025 + 10:00 AM
The Holy Eucharist + Rite 2

The Procession

Praise is Rising (Hosanna)

THE WORD OF GOD

The Collect for Purity

BCP 355

Song of Praise

Gloria

Collect of the Day

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WELCOME

We are glad you are here this morning. We hope you will sense the presence of the Holy Spirit while you worship God through His Son, Jesus Christ.

If you are seeking a church home, we would love to have you join us. Please sign the Guest Register in the Narthex.

A NURSERY is provided for 10:00 am worship every Sunday for infants through age 4. The nursery is located across from the restrooms in the main hallway.

SUNDAY SCHOOL meets every Sunday after communion. The children (Ages 5 to 11) gather and make their way to the classroom located in Hartridge Hall.

YOUTH MINISTRY meets every Sunday at Noon. Middle School and High School students meet in the Shipes House across the campus. Lunch will be provided.

COFFEE HOUR is provided after worship every Sunday. We gather in the Hall for some snacks, drinks, and fellowship. This is a great way to build community.

What do we mean by Ablutions?

Liturgical and ceremonial cleaning of the paten and chalice with water, or with water and wine, following the communion of the people at the Holy Eucharist. If the consecrated bread and wine are not reserved for later use, they are consumed by the ordained and lay ministers of the eucharist either after the communion of the people or after the dismissal. The ablutions may also include the cleaning of the celebrant's fingers before and after communion, depending on the liturgical custom of the congregation.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Betty Hensinger and Bill Pixley in thanksgiving for the many blessings we've received, especially for our sons Patrick and Chris Pixley.

THE MOUNT DORA JAZZ BAND will host a free concert today at 3:00 pm in the church. All are invited.

THE MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST will meet at 8:30 am on Saturday, March 1st in Hartridge Hall.

ANGLICAN PRAYER BEADS CLASS-Saturday, March 1st at 10:30 am in Hartridge Hall. Cost is \$10.00 for materials.

SHROVE TUESDAY Pancake Supper will be held on March 4th beginning at 6:30 pm in Hartridge Hall.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday EYC-12:00 noon
MD Jazz Band Concert-3:00 pm
AA's and Alanon-7:00 pm

Tuesday Morning Prayer will not be held
Reading with the Rector will not meet

Wednesday Women's Caring and Sharing-10:00 am
Preschool Chapel-11:30 am
Wednesday Eucharist -12:15 pm
Evening Prayer-5:30 pm
Soup-6:00 pm
ABC-6:45 pm
EYC Program-6:45 pm

Thursday Choir- 5:00 pm
Shekinah-6:30

Saturday Men's Prayer Breakfast-8:30 am
Prayer Beads-10:30 am

ANNIVERSARIES

ANNIVERSARY OF BIRTH

Mary Johnson	02/23	Madeline Lafler	02/24
Mary Jeanty	02/27	Jennifer Sills	02/28
Robert Anderson	02/28	Mark Lafler	02/28
Tera Lafler	02/28		

ANNIVERSARY OF WEDDING

Jonathan and Margaret Dohnalek	02/26/1987
Daryl and Jessica Ezell	03/01/2014

ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH

Hal Orr	02/23	Alfred Blanchard	02/23		
Mary Schutt	02/25	Jean Karr	02/26	Nicolas Augustin	02/27 Evelyn
Coppler	02/27	Andrew Underhill	02/28	Evelyn Seeley	03/01 Robert
Alderman	03/01	Martha Mallalieu	03/01		

PRAYERS

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Shirley W. Lillian S.
(Names will remain on the list for 2 weeks)

SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

T.J. Glennon	Mary Hyland	Laura Cain
Trevor Orr	Steve Husted	Emma Hogan
Andrew Seley	Zack Ryan	

CYCLE OF PRAYER

St. Richard's Episcopal Church, Winter Park
Church of the Holy Spirit, Apopka
For our Parish Members TJ and Ann Reeves

SERVING TODAY

	<u>8:00 AM</u>	<u>10:00 AM</u>
First Reading	Gaines Campbel	Sandy Betlach
Second Reading	Leah Felcher	Michael Viel
LEM 1	Tom Felcher	Michael Viel
LEM 2	Gaines Campbell	Gloria Vest
Ushers	Steve Nichols	Steve Wilbanks
	Patti Conrader	Ali Wilbanks
Deacon	Deacon Mickey	Deacon Kim
Altar Guild	Phyllis Kennedy	Jackie Castiglione
Flower Guild	Catherine Bayer	
Screens	Sandy Minkoff	Trinity Viel
Video	Madeline Lafler	

PARISH LEADERSHIP

Head of the Church: Jesus Christ
Bishop: The Rt. Rev. Dr. Justin Holcomb
Priest: The Rev. Mark A. Lafler
Deacon: The Rev. Mickey Maxwell
Deacon: The Rev. Kim Spear
Deacon: The Rev. Dan King

VESTRY

Sandy Minkoff, Sr. Warden
Tom Brust, Jr. Warden
Fred Fitte Leah Felcher
TJ Reeves Cheryl Hogan
Janet Martin Gaines Campbell
Steve Wilbanks

OFFICERS

Barbara Minkoff, Treasurer
Jackie Castiglione, Clerk

PARISH STAFF

Admin. Asst. to Rector: Betty Welch
Bookkeeper & Business Asst.: Amanda Burkhalter
Family Ministries Director: The Rev. Dan King
Preschool Director: Heather Fortson
Organist & Choir Director: Libby Sellers
Shekinah Praise Team Director: Elizabeth Maxwell
Nursery Director: Cathy Love
Steward: Walter Burkhalter