

The Holy Eucharist

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Third Sunday after the Epiphany / Year A, Rite II

St. Antony of Egypt Episcopal Church

Presider: The Rev. Hillary Kimsey

Livestream Producer: Guy Fulton

Deacon: The Rev. Bill Thaete

Musicians: Mark Westin and John Stockwell

Welcome to St. Antony's. Our Eucharistic celebration is offered both in person and is livestreamed on Facebook. You will find our livestream at <https://www.facebook.com/saintantony/>. For those worshipping in person, we encourage the use of facemasks and respect for others in our efforts to have people remain as healthy as possible.

Our service includes both a prelude and a postlude offering. We ask that you use this time in quietness to prepare for our celebration of God's unconditional love for each of us and as an opportunity to give thanks as well as show our respect for our musicians.

We have been entrusted to be care takers of this beautiful piece of God's creation. We acknowledge that the Suquamish and S'Kllalam people are the traditional stewards of the land on which our buildings stand and we pay our respect to their people and heritage.

Welcome

Prelude

Opening Hymn *"How wondrous and great, thy works God of praise!"* Hymnal 533

1. How wondrous and great thy works; God of praise!
How just, King of saints, and true are thy ways!
Oh, who shall not fear thee, and honor thy name?
Thou only art holy; thou only supreme.
2. To nations of earth, thy light shall be shown;
Their worship and vows, shall come to thy throne.
Thy truth and thy judgments shall spread all abroad;
Till earth's every people confess thee their God.

Salutation

The Presider says to the people

Presider Blessed are you, holy and loving One.

People **You come to your people and set them free.**

Collect for Purity

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.**

1 Bright - est and best of the stars of the morn - ing,
 1 dawn on our dark - ness, and lend us thine aid;
 1 star of the east, the hor - i - zon a - dorn - ing,
 1 guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid.

Collect for the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Transition Prayer for St. Antony's and the Diocese

Said by all

God of Love,

You are with us in every transition and change.

***As we enter into this new era with excitement and even some anxiety,
 we recall your deep compassion, presence, and abounding love.***

We thank you for the gifts, talents and skills with which you have blessed us.

We thank you for the experiences that have brought us to this moment.

We thank you for the work of others that gives breadth and depth to our own work.

Be with us as we move forward, rejoicing with you and supporting one another.

We ask this in your Holy Name. Amen

The First Reading - Isaiah 58:1-12

Shout out, do not hold back!

Lift up your voice like a trumpet!

Announce to my people their rebellion,
 to the house of Jacob their sins.

Yet day after day they seek me
and delight to know my ways,
as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness
and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;
they ask of me righteous judgments,
they delight to draw near to God.

“Why do we fast, but you do not see?
Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?”

Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day,
and oppress all your workers.

Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight
and to strike with a wicked fist.

Such fasting as you do today
will not make your voice heard on high.

Is such the fast that I choose,
a day to humble oneself?

Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush,
and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?

Will you call this a fast,
a day acceptable to the LORD?

Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the thongs of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?

Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover them,
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up quickly;
your vindicator shall go before you,
the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.

Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;
you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

If you remove the yoke from among you,
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,
if you offer your food to the hungry
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
then your light shall rise in the darkness
and your gloom be like the noonday.

The LORD will guide you continually,
and satisfy your needs in parched places,
and make your bones strong;

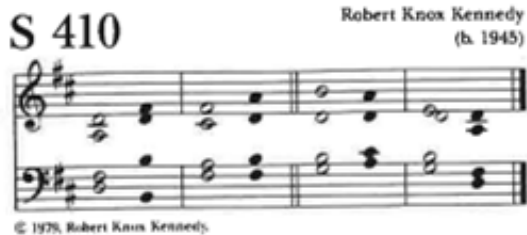
and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring of water,
whose waters never fail.

Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 27:1, 5-13
Dominus illuminatio



1 The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? *
the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?

5 One thing have I asked of the Lord; one thing I seek; *
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life;

6 To behold the fair beauty of the Lord *
and to seek him in his temple.

7 For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; *
he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock.

8 Even now he lifts up my head *
above my enemies round about me.

9 Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; *
I will sing and make music to the Lord.

10 Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call; *
have mercy on me and answer me.

11 You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." *
Your face, Lord, will I seek.

12 Hide not your face from me, *
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.

13 You have been my helper; cast me not away; *
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

The Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

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Sequence Hymn *"The people who in darkness walked"* **Hymnal 126**

1. The people who in darkness walked have seen a glorious light;
on them broke forth the heavenly dawn who dwelt in death and night.
2. To hail thy rising, Sun of life, the gathering nations come,
joyous as when the reapers bear their harvest treasures home.
3. To us the promised Child is born, to us the Son is given;
him shall the tribes of earth obey, and all the hosts of heaven.
4. His name shall be the Prince of Peace for evermore adored,
the Wonderful, the Counselor, the mighty God and Lord.
5. His power increasing still shall spread, his reign no end shall know;
justice shall guard his throne above, and peace abound below.

The Gospel Reading – Matthew 4:12-23

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

"Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—
the people who sat in darkness
have seen a great light,
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death
light has dawned."

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily – The Rev. Bill Thaete

The Nicene Creed (said together, standing as you are able.)

**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 People

Leader I ask your prayers for those in the Armed Forces of our Country.

O Almighty God, shelter the men and women of our armed forces under your mighty wings; steel their courage in times of peril; give them integrity and honor in all they do; grant perseverance and resilience to their families; and heal the wounded warriors. We remember those who are deployed,

especially *Ben Newcomb, Travis Sanger, Nicole Steller and Devon Williamson* through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayer for Ukraine and Russia

Dear God, we ask that you be with the people of war-ravaged Ukraine. Give them physical and spiritual strength to withstand the horrors of war; console them in their misery, distress and losses; sustain them in their hope for peace. We ask that you also be with their brothers and sisters in neighboring Russia. Please open their eyes and hearts to the reality of the war and give to all people in both countries the desire to know the Truth that will set them free, and the courage and strength to pursue that Truth. We thank you for all the citizens of the world who value and pursue peace, and we ask that those who made the ultimate sacrifice in this war will not have died in vain. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

The Prayers of the People from "Intercessions for the Christian People"

Deacon or other leader

Let us pray for the church and the world, saying: Lord, have mercy.

Holy God, we pray for all your people, baptized in the name of Christ. Heal our divisions, and give us one mind in Christ. For this we pray to you, O Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

Stir up your church to make the power of the cross known to all, that people everywhere may see your great light. For this we pray to you, O Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

Lift from all people the burdens of poverty, war and injustice. Break every rod of oppression throughout the earth. For this we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Guide those who make and execute our laws, and those who maintain our safety, that all people may know their worth as your creation. For this we pray to you, O Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

Strengthen us to care for the poor, the imprisoned, and all who suffer. Open our hands and our hearts to embrace all who are in need. For this we pray to you, O Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We remember before you all whom we love but see no more. Give them eternal rest. For this we pray to you, O Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

The Presider concludes

O God, you revealed your will to prophets and sages. By your Holy Spirit, show us how to serve you today, that all nations may know you in our love, through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

The Deacon or Presider

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Absolution

The Presider stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of 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 clergy and people greet one another in the name of the Lord, maintaining a respectful distance.

Announcements

Birthdays and Anniversaries

***Birthday Prayer* - Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Presider may begin the Offertory with a sentence of scripture. The offering plates are placed on the altar as a sign of our self-offering to God and our promise to give faithfully to the church.

Offertory Hymn ***"I come with joy to meet my Lord"***

Hymnal 304

1. I come with joy to meet my Lord, forgiven, loved, and free,
in awe and wonder to recall his life laid down for me.
2. I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love in Christ's communion bread.
3. As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends.
That love that made us makes us one, and strangers now are friends.
4. And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His presence, always near,
is in such friendship better known: we see and praise him here.

5. Together met, together bound, we'll go our different ways,
and as his people in the world we'll live and speak his praise.

The Doxology is sung

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

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer

Please stand as you are able.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey;

And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Sanctus (*sung*)

Hymnal S-130

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.

heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

The Presider continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us. We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Presider and People

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

The Presider continues

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with blessed Antony, and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Presider and People

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN

The Lord's Prayer (*spoken*)

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now say,

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.

Fraction Rite (*sung*)

Hymnal S-154

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

We invite all present to participate in this feast, regardless of where you are on your spiritual journey. Our table is open to all, as this is God's gift to all.

We are serving the cup individually. After receiving the bread, the body of Christ, if you like, please take a cup from the tray and then the Eucharistic Minister will serve you the wine, the blood of Christ. Please leave your cup at the baptismal font so we can properly dispose of them.

If needed, we do have gluten free communion wafers available. Just ask as you approach the priest.

If you do not wish to receive the Eucharist but would like a blessing, please approach the priest with your hands crossed over your chest.

We ask that you remember to use the hand sanitizer as you come to receive the Holy Eucharist.

Those who are participating by livestream may say the following prayer.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

From A Prayer Book for the Armed Forces

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. We remember your death, Lord Christ; we proclaim your resurrection; we await your coming in glory. And since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we beseech you to come spiritually into our heart. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Communion Hymn #1 “As we gather at your table“ (Sung to the tune of ‘Come Thou Fount’)

1. As we gather at your table, as we listen to your word;
help us know, O God your presence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
Nourish us with sacred story still we claim it has our own;
teach us through this holy banquet how to make Love’s victory known.
2. Turn our worship into witness in the sacrament of life;
Send us forth to love and serve you, bringing peace where there is strife.
Give us Christ, your great compassion to forgive as you forgave;
may we still behold your image in the world you died to save.
3. Gracious Spirit, help us summon other guests to share that feast.
Where triumphant Love will welcome those who had been last and least.
There no more will, envy blind us, now will pride our peace destroy;
as we join with saints and angels to repeat the sounding joy.

Communion Hymn #2 “Bread of life, our host and meal“

1. Bread of life, our host and meal, Jesus, feed us.
Christ, by faith, to see and feel, feed us with your love.
2. Bread now break and wine now pour, Jesus, feed us.
Make us one, our hope restore; feed us with your love.
3. Grant forgiveness in the feast, Jesus, feed us.
for the greatest and the least; feed us with your love.
4. Thank you for this gift we share, Jesus, feed us.
Save God’s children everywhere; feed us with your love.

Postcommunion Prayer

Presider: Let us pray

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn *“God is light, the heavens open”* (sung to the tune of Angels from the realms of glory)

1. God is light, the heavens open; see the star announce the Son;
God transcendent is among us; see the distant nations come.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! All our race in Him is one.
2. God is light, the heavens open; see our Savior bear our sin;
Dying here in Jordan’s waters; see His sacrifice begin;
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! All who come are cleansed in Him.
3. God is light, the heavens open; Glimpse what eyes have never seen;
God the Son in all His splendor; Flesh in heaven’s majesty:
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! See our glorious destiny.

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Happy Birthday!

24th Aaron Scaf

27th Judy Van Hook

 Daniel Westin

28th Dave Peterson

 Holly Foley

Happy Anniversary!

There are no anniversaries this week.

The Altar Flowers and Sanctuary Lamp are given today by the Flower Guild.

Flowers arranged by Donna Hilton

The Sanctuary Lamp is given today by Darrow & Ruth Lindstrum in thanksgiving for Darrow’s birthday.

Coffee Hour is being hosted by Carrie Rives and Jane Stockton.

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