

**The Holy Eucharist**  
**February 1, 2026**  
**4th Sunday after the Epiphany / Year A, Rite II**  
**St. Antony of Egypt Episcopal Church**

**Celebrant:** The Rev. Hillary Kimsey  
**Musician:** Chris Eisenberg  
**Acolytes:** Ellery

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**Eucharistic Minister:** Kristen Fabry  
**Lectors:** Nyah Fox, Jason Kimes

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, the use of facemasks is optional, and we encourage respect for each person's choice to 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 to 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'Klallam 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 “*Blessed Jesus at thy word*” Hymnal 440**

### **Salutation**

*The Celebrant says to the people*

Blessed be the one holy, and living God.

**People Glory to God forever and ever. Amen.**

### **Collect for Purity**

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 “Praise the One who breaks the darkness” ELW 843**

Praise the One who breaks the dark-ness with a lib - er - a-ting light;  
praise the One who frees the pris -'ners, turn-ing blind - ness in - to sight.  
Praise the One who preached the gos - pel, heal-ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease,  
calm-ing storms and feed-ing thou-sands with the ver - y bread of peace.

**Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant*      God be with you

*People*      **And also with you**

Let us pray

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**The First Reading – Micah 6:1-8**

Hear what the Lord says:

Rise, plead your case before the mountains,  
and let the hills hear your voice.

Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord,  
and you enduring foundations of the earth;

for the Lord has a controversy with his people,  
and he will contend with Israel.

“O my people, what have I done to you?  
In what have I wearied you? Answer me!

For I brought you up from the land of Egypt,  
and redeemed you from the house of slavery;  
and I sent before you Moses,  
Aaron, and Miriam.

O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised,  
what Balaam son of Beor answered him,  
and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal,  
that you may know the saving acts of the Lord.”

“With what shall I come before the Lord,  
and bow myself before God on high?

Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings,  
with calves a year old?

Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,  
with tens of thousands of rivers of oil?

Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,  
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”

He has told you, O mortal, what is good;  
and what does the Lord require of you

but to do justice, and to love kindness,  
and to walk humbly with your God?

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

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 15

**Domine, quis habitabit**

*Psalm Tone 411*

Robert Knox Kennedy  
(b. 1945)



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1 Lord, who may dwell in your/ tabernacle? \*

who may abide upon your holy/ hill?

2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is/ right, \*

who speaks the truth from his/ heart.

3 There is no guile upon his tongue; he does no evil to his/ friend; \*

he does not heap contempt upon his/ neighbor.

4 In his sight the wicked is re/jected, \*

but he honors those who fear the/ Lord.

5 He has sworn to do no/ wrong \*

and does not take back his/ word.

6 He does not give his money in hope of/ gain, \*

nor does he take a bribe against the/ innocent.

7 Whoever does these/ things \*

shall never be over/thrown.

## **The Second Reading – 1 Corinthians 1:18-31**

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. For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,  
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

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

**Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn      “Lord, make us servants of your peace”      Hymnal 593**

(Verses 1-3 before the Gospel; verses 4-5 after)

## **The Gospel Reading – Matthew 5:1-12**

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

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

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.  
"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.  
"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.  
"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.  
"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.  
"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.  
"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

### **Homily – The Rev. Hillary Kimsey**

**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.

*People* **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 *Nicole Steller*, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**The Prayers of the People** Adapted from “*Hear our Prayer*” by Jon White and Lisa Graves

*Leader*

God of blessings, hear our prayers and act swiftly to answer them as we say, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Embolden your church, especially Phil, our Bishop and Hillary our Vicar, that they may fearlessly accept its mission to bring light and love into the world without judgements. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Keep the needs of the most vulnerable foremost in the minds and in the intentions of our elected leaders and public servants, especially, Donald our President and Bob our Governor, that the dignity of all may be preserved and the welfare of our whole nation increased.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Help us to ground our choices in the concern for those most impacted by climate change and in the need to preserve the abundance of creation for future generations.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Shower your blessing on this congregation that they might know and feel your presence in their lives and act in the confidence of your love for the good of all.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bring wholeness and peace to all who suffer, free them from their afflictions and instill in them the hope of Christ.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Welcome in your embrace all those who have died and so guide our lives that we may confidently look forward to our reunion with them and you.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

In the World Anglican Communion we give thanks and pray for the Church of England. In Jerusalem and the Middle East we give thanks and pray for St. Paul's Church, Shefa Amr and Israel Elderly People's Home, Amman, Jordan. In our own Diocese of Olympia we give thanks and pray for Resurrection, Bellevue; St. Margaret's, Bellevue; Holy Apostles, Bellevue.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

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

*Prayer list is read*

*Silence. The People may add their own petitions.*

Let us pray for peace to come to our hurting world.

**Eternal God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, no strength known but the strength of love: So mightily spread abroad your Spirit, that all peoples may be gathered under the banner of the Prince of Peace, as beloved children of one God. For yours is the power and the glory, now and forever. Amen.**

*The Celebrant concludes*

God of true wisdom, who through Christ has given us the model of human life, so inspire us that we might live always in the joy of our salvation and greet with joy the day of your coming. **Amen.**

## **The Confession**

Let us confess our sins to God.

**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.**

## **The Absolution**

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**

*Celebrant* The peace of Christ be always with you.

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

*The clergy and people greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## **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.*

## **Announcements**



You can make a donation to the church by  
scanning the QR code with your phone.

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### OFFERTORY INSTRUCTIONS

*The offertory plates are passed throughout the congregation by the ushers. Please accept the plate and pass it all the way down your row. When it comes to you, we invite you to use those few seconds to thank God for the blessings in your life and reflect on how you are giving back. Giving is never an obligation; it's always an invitation! We know that everyone gives as the Spirit leads, and that gifts of time and talent don't fit in the offering plate! We also know that many people give online or by the QR code above. (If so, feel free to place the "I Gave Online" card in the plate as it passes you.) So whether you have something to put in the plate today or not, this moment is just between you and God. If you simply pray "Thank you, God" each time you touch the offering plate, that is a powerful spiritual practice.*

### Offertory Hymn "Blest are they" ELW 728

David Haas, b. 1957



1. Blest are they, the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of God.  
2. Blest are they, the lowly ones; they shall inherit the earth.  
3. Blest are they who show mercy; mercy shall be theirs.  
4. Blest are they who seek peace; they are the children of God.  
5. Blest are you who suffer hate, all because of me. Re-  
Blest are they, full of sorrow; they shall be consoled.  
Blest are they who hunger and thirst; they shall have their fill.  
Blest are they, the pure of heart; they shall see God.  
Blest are they who suffer in faith; the glory of God is theirs.  
-joice, be glad, yours is the kingdom; shine for all to see.  
*Refrain*  
Re-joice and be glad! Bless-ed are you, ho-ly are you!  
Re-joice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!

## The Doxology (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 A

*Celebrant*

*All*

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

*Celebrant*

*All*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*All*

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

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:

**Sanctus****Hymnal S 127**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of

pow - er and might, — hea - ven and earth are full of your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high -

est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the

Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. —

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*The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Celebrant and people**

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.



**The Lord's Prayer (spoken)**

*The Celebrant continues:*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we pray in the language of our hearts.

**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 Anthem S-171

### Fraction Anthem: Be known to us

Mode 6 melody; adapt. Mason Martens (1933-1991)

*Antiphon: Cantor / Choir, then All*



Beknown to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

*Cantor / Choir*



1. The bread which we break, Al - le lu - ia,  
is the com - mu - nion of the bo - dy of Christ. [Ant.]

*Cantor / Choir*



2. One bo - dy are we, al - le lu - ia,  
for though man - y we share one bread. [Ant.]

### COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS

*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.*

*To receive the bread, please make a semi-circle around the altar; the ushers will guide you. You may kneel or stand. Cup your hands in front of you to receive the bread. For the wine, you may choose either to get a single-use compostable cup on your way to the altar, or to receive from the common cup. To do so, simply guide the chalice to your lips. If you prefer not to receive wine at all, communion in one kind is just as valid; simply cross your arms over your chest when the wine is offered to you, and the minister will say the words over you and move on.*

*To receive a blessing instead of communion, simply cross your arms over your chest when each element is offered to you.*

*\*\* If you would prefer to have communion brought to you for any reason, simply remain seated and let the usher know when your row is sent. The usher will alert the altar party, who will bring communion directly to you.*

*Hand sanitizer can be found next to the hymnal and prayer books on the chair in front of you.*

## **Communion Music – Chris Eisenberg**

### **The Postcommunion Prayer**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.**

**And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.**

**To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.**

### **The Blessing**

**Closing Hymn    “*Tis the gift to be simple*”    Hymnal 554**

### **The Dismissal**

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People*    **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

### **Postlude**



Please join us for coffee hour after the service. The Foley Family is our host today.

***Happy Birthday!***

2-02 Evelyn Vetere  
2-03 John Stockwell  
2-04 Lorelei Morelli  
2-05 Wendy Fox  
2-06 Bennett Allen  
2-07 Bonnie Foley  
2-07 Debbie Stockwell  
2-07 Jean Mackimmie

***Happy Anniversary!***

2-05 Norman & Dolores Perreira

The Altar Flowers are given today by the Floral Ministry.

\*Flowers arranged by ?\*

The Sanctuary Lamp is given today by the Altar Guild.

## *Calendar of Events*

<i>Sunday, Feb. 1</i>	<b>8:00 am – Holy Eucharist Rite 1</b> <b>9:00 am – Episcopal 101</b> <b>10:15 am – Holy Eucharist Rite 2</b> <b>10:15 am - Teen Bible Study</b>
<i>Thursday, Feb. 4</i>	<b>10:30 am – VBS Team Meeting</b> <b>12:30 pm – Bible Study</b>
<i>Saturday, Feb. 7</i>	<b>2-4pm – Cardmaking Event</b>
<i>Sunday, Feb. 8</i>	<b>8:00 am – Holy Eucharist Rite 1</b> <b>9:00 am – Episcopal 101</b> <b>10:15 am – Holy Eucharist Rite</b> <b>11:45 am – BC Meeting (short)</b>

*The mission of St. Antony's is to be a loving and welcoming people who worship God, grow in Christ, and serve others: Gather, Grow, and Go!*

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