

The Holy Eucharist

February 8, 2026

5th Sunday after the Epiphany / Year A, Rite II

St. Antony of Egypt Episcopal Church

Celebrant: The Rev. Hillary Kimsey

Musician: Chris Eisenberg

Acolytes: Jason Kimes

Livestream Producer: Guy Fulton

Eucharistic Minister: Sarah Rogers

Lectors: Stu Smith, Jim Foley

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 ***"Praise to the living God!"*** Hymnal 372

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.

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **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 112:1-9

Beatus vir

Psalm Tone 411

Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)



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1 Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the/ Lord *
and have great delight in his com/mandments!

2 Their descendants will be mighty in the/ land; *
the generation of the upright will be/ blessed.

3 Wealth and riches will be in their/ house, *
and their righteousness will last for/ ever.

4 Light shines in the darkness for the up/right; *
the righteous are merciful and full of com/passion.

5 It is good for them to be generous in/ lending *
and to manage their affairs with/ justice.

6 For they will never be/ shaken; *
the righteous will be kept in everlasting re/membrance.

7 They will not be afraid of any evil/ rumors; *
their heart is right; they put their trust in the/ Lord.

8 Their heart is established and will not/ shrink, *
until they see their desire upon their/ enemies.

9 They have given freely to the/ poor, *
and their righteousness stands fast for ever; they will hold up their head with/ honor.

The Second Reading – 1 Corinthians 2:1-12

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,
nor the human heart conceived,

what God has prepared for those who love him”—

these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

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

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn**“This little light of mine“ LEVAS 221**

(Verses 1-2 before the Gospel; verse 3 after)

1. This lit - tle light of mine, I'm gon-na let it shine, This lit - tle light of mine,
2. Ev - 'ry where I go, I'm gon-na let it shine, Ev - 'ry where I go,
3. Je - sus gave it to me, I'm gon-na let it shine, Je - sus gave it to me,

mine, I'm gon-na let it shine, This lit - tle light of mine,
go, I'm gon-na let it shine, Ev - 'ry where I go,
me, I'm gon-na let it shine, Je - sus gave it to me,

I'm gon-na let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, I'm gon-na let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine,
I'm gon-na let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, I'm gon-na let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine,
I'm gon-na let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, I'm gon-na let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine,

The Gospel Reading – Matthew 5:13-20

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

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

Jesus said, “You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

“Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

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

Creating God, you have made us in your image that we might reflect your glory; hear us now as we say, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Be present in and guide your church that it might always stand for the way that leads to life and light.

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

Grant your wisdom and mercy to all who hold authority in our lives, especially Donald our President and Bob our Governor, that their leadership might benefit all people and bring about a just and equitable world.

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

We offer to you the deepest needs and longings of our own hearts; help us to grow into the people you created us to be and to take up the work you have given us to do.

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

Open our eyes to behold the glory of your Creation that we might take up our responsibilities to preserve and protect it with joy.

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

Extend your healing presence to all who suffer and restore them to a sense of wholeness.

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

Welcome all who have died into your loving presence and bring us also into that new kingdom in your new age.

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

For Phil, our Bishop, for Hillary our Vicar, and for all the clergy and lay ministers throughout our diocese, let us pray to the Lord.

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

In the World Anglican Communion we give thanks and pray for the Church of Hong Kong sheng Kung Hui. In Jerusalem and the Middle East we give thanks and pray for Ahli Arab Hospital, Gaza. In our own Diocese of Olympia we give thanks and pray for All Saints', Bellevue; St. Michael & All Angels, Issaquah; St. John's, Kirkland.

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

You have offered us the gift of grace and reconciliation through the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. Let us live into your Son's example that we might also know abundant life in your presence. All we ask, we ask through our Lord and intercessor, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns eternally. **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.

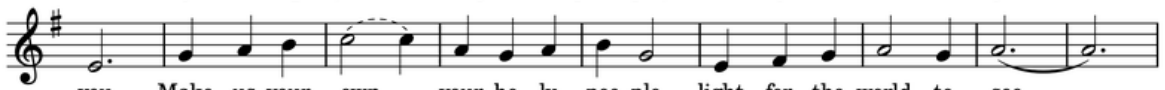
Offertory Hymn "Longing for light" MHSO 59

Longing for Light

Bernadette Farrell
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1. Long-ing for light, we wait in dark-ness. Long-ing for truth,— we turn to
2. Long-ing for peace, our world is trou-bled. Long-ing for hope,— man - y des -
3. Long-ing for food,— man - y are hun - gry. Long-ing for wa - ter, man - y still
4. Long-ing for shel-ter, man - y are home-less, long-ing for warmth, man - y are
5. Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the hearts that yearn to be -



you. Make us your own,— your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.____
-pair. Your word a - lone has pow - er to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.____
thirst. Make us your bread, bro - ken for o - thers, shared un - til all are fed.____
cold. Make us your build - ing, shel-ter-ing o - thers, wall made of liv - ing stone.____
-long. Let us be ser - vants to one an - oth - er, mak - ing your king - dom come.____

Refrain



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the dark - ness.



Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gath - ered to - day.____

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.

Eucharistic Prayer A

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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.

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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.

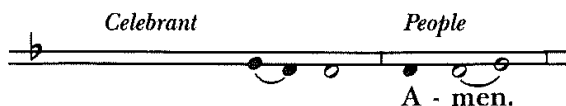
Christ will come again.

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.

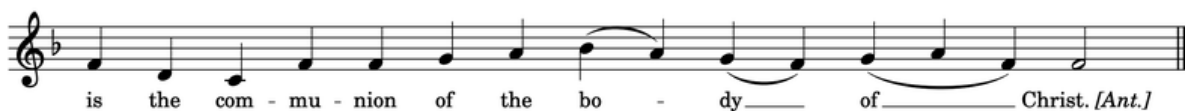
Fraction Anthem: Be known to us

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

Antiphon: Cantor / Choir, then All



Cantor / Choir



Cantor / Choir



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 “*Make me a blessing*” LEVAS 158 (*Next page*)

Make Me a Blessing

Ira B. Wilson (1880-1950)

George Schuler (1882-1973)

1. Out in the high-ways and by - ways of life, man-y are wea - ry and sad;—
2. Tell the sweet sto - ry of Christ and His love, tell of His power to for - give;—
3. Give as 'twas giv - en to you in your need, love as the Mas - ter loved you;—

car - ry the sun - shine where dark - ness is rife, mak - ing the sor - row - ing glad.____
oth - ers will trust Him if on - ly you prove true, ev - ery mo - ment you live.____
be to the help - less a help - er in - deed, un - to your mis - sion be true.____

Refrain

Make me a bless - ing, make me a bless - ing, out of my life____

may Je - sus shine;— Make me a bless - ing, O Sav - ior I pray,____

Make me a bless - ing to some - one to - day.____

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. David Smith is our host today.

Happy Birthday!

02-08 Lori Fagan

Happy Anniversary!

02-14 - Daniel & Donna Smith

The Altar Flowers are given today by Mike & Sarah Dolbec in honor of their 16th wedding anniversary.

Flowers arranged by Donna Hilton

The Sanctuary Lamp is given today by the Altar Guild.

Calendar of Events

<i>Sunday, Feb. 8</i>	<i>8:00 am – Holy Eucharist Rite 1</i> <i>9:00 am – Episcopal 101</i> <i>10:15 am – Holy Eucharist Rite</i> <i>11:45 am – BC Meeting</i>
<i>Monday, Feb. 9</i>	<i>President’s Day – Office closed</i>
<i>Tuesday, Feb 10</i>	<i>Noon – New Beginnings Contemplative Group</i> <i>1:30 pm – Pastoral Care Meeting</i>
<i>Wednesday, Feb 11</i>	<i>11:00 am – Outreach Meeting</i>
<i>Thursday, Feb. 12</i>	<i>12:30 pm – Bible Study</i>
<i>Saturday, Feb. 14</i>	<i>10:00am - Congregational Help needed to move tables and chairs to set up for Spaghetti Dinner</i> <i>5-6:30pm – Spaghetti Dinner put on by the Youth. (Youth and Adult Helpers arrive at 3:30pm.)</i>
<i>Sunday, Feb. 15</i>	<i>8:00 am – Holy Eucharist Rite 1</i> <i>9:00 am – Episcopal 101</i> <i>10:15 am – Holy Eucharist Rite</i> <i>10:15 am - Teen Bible Study</i>

***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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