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# *St. Paul's Episcopal Church*

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The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany  
February 20, 2022

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**Welcome!** Whatever your background and however you have come to be here, we are glad you are. It is our prayer that you will encounter God’s peace this morning. If you’re new to our community, or if you have questions or other needs, please ask. There’s no such thing as a stupid question. We’ve all been “new” at some point.

**About Our Worship:** As Christians in the Episcopal (*episcopal*=*church with bishops*) tradition, our worship is rooted in Holy Scripture and the *Book of Common Prayer* (BCP), which—for centuries—has united Christians all over the world in a common language of prayer and worship. The hope of finding ourselves in the midst of this ancient tradition is that we might both learn from those who have come before and add our own voices to the heavenly chorus. Our liturgy (the work of the people in worship) helps us when our words fail, ensures that we hear a thorough account of God’s Word, and invites us to add our own voices and experience to God’s story. You will find some people kneeling, bowing, and making the sign of the cross as expressions of devotion and blessing. This is neither requisite nor uniform, and we invite you to participate as you feel comfortable.

**Worshipping with Children:** We are delighted to have children in our midst no matter how squiggly they may be. Worship bulletins for children are located on the table in the rear lobby. Activity bags and a small library of books can be found right outside of the left door next to the piano. In order to reduce cross-contamination, each household has a designated bag. If you are new, we invite you to pick up a bag with a “New Friend” tag.

**Restrooms:** Restrooms are located at the end of the hallway behind the stairs. Exit through the front or rear doors and make a right at the double doors. As an act of care for yourself and all those gathered, please maintain appropriate physical distance at all times.

**Masks:** Masks must be worn over **mouth and nose** by all those above the age of two.

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## EPIPHANY

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**Epiphany** (“manifestation” or “revelation”) is the third season of the church year and lasts until Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. Epiphany marks the manifestation of Jesus to the Gentiles (represented by the magi) and reminds us that while Jesus was a Jew and spoke largely to Jewish crowds during his life on Earth, he came to bring peace and restoration to all people. If Christmas is about the birth of Jesus, then Epiphany is about the spread of the good news to the wider world. During this season we focus our lives on a world transformed by God’s incarnational presence in Jesus. The liturgical color is green, representing the green things of God’s earth and referring to growth of the spirit of God within us in response to His coming at Christmas.

*+Please stand as able*

**WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP**

+Opening Greeting	BCP 323
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**WE LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD**

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**WE RESPOND TO GOD**

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**WE OFFER OURSELVES TO GOD**

+Offertory & Doxology	
	All things come of thee O Lord: <b>and of thine own have we given thee.</b>
The Great Thanksgiving, Prayer II	BCP 340
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+The Blessing	

**WE GO IN THE STRENGTH OF GOD**

+The Dismissal	
<i>Deacon</i>	Let us go forth in the light of Christ.
<i>People</i>	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>

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## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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BCP=*Book of Common Prayer*; Hymnal=*Hymnal 1982*; PSB=*Piney Song Book*

+ = *You are invited to stand.*

PRELUDE

Song

Peeters

+OPENING HYMN

*Love divine, all loves excelling*

Hymnal 657

### CALL TO WORSHIP

*Officiant* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

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

### PRAYER FOR PURITY

*Officiant* Let us pray.

*All* 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.

### HYMN OF PRAISE

*Spirit of the living God*

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Spirit of the living God'. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: 'Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.' The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line with chords in the right hand.

Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a-fresh on me.

## WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

Grant us Jesus, that tender, indestructible love which asks forgiveness of its executioners and gives hope to the thief on the cross. Keep us compassionate when the way is hard, and gentle with those who oppose us; for the glory of your holy name. **Amen.**

### YOUNG DISCIPLES’ MOMENT

#### THE OLD TESTAMENT

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

*Today’s reading describes Joseph’s revelation of his identity to his brothers who had sold him to slavery. Joseph is so overcome with emotion when he perceives the repentance of his brothers that he reveals to them that he is their long lost brother. He also explains that he knows that his enslavement in Egypt was God’s way of ensuring their survival from the famine and thus also making sure that God’s promises would be fulfilled.*

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.

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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.

Reader            The Word of the Lord.

People            **Thanks be to God.**

## THE PSALM

*Psalm 37:1-12, 41-42*

*The psalmist urges the righteous to take their eyes off of wicked people and to focus instead on the richness of their relationship with God.*

<sup>1</sup> Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; \*  
do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

<sup>2</sup> **For they shall soon wither like the grass, \*  
and like the green grass fade away.**

<sup>3</sup> Put your trust in GOD and do good; \*  
dwell in the land and feed on its riches.

<sup>4</sup> **Take delight in GOD, \*  
who shall give you your heart's desire.**

<sup>5</sup> Commit your way to GOD and put your trust in GOD, \*  
who will bring it to pass.

<sup>6</sup> **GOD will make your righteousness as clear as the light \*  
and your just dealing as the noontday.**

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<sup>7</sup> Be still before GOD \*

for GOD wait patiently for him.

<sup>8</sup> **Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, \***  
**the one who succeeds in evil schemes.**

<sup>9</sup> Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; \*  
do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.

<sup>10</sup> **For evildoers shall be cut off, \***  
**but those who wait upon GOD shall possess the land.**

<sup>11</sup> In a little while the wicked shall be no more; \*  
you shall search out their place, but they will not be there.

<sup>12</sup> **But the lowly shall possess the land; \***  
**they will delight in abundance of peace.**

<sup>41</sup> But the deliverance of the righteous comes from GOD; \*  
he is their stronghold in time of trouble.

<sup>42</sup> **GOD will help them and rescue them; \***  
**the HOLY ONE will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them,**  
**because they seek refuge in GOD.**

## **+THE GOSPEL LESSON**

*Luke 6:27-38*

*Today's reading announces the basic guideline of the kingdom of God: love for all. This principle is applied specifically to the problems of persecution and of possessions.*

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

“But 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

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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.”

Deacon            The Gospel of the Lord.  
People            Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

The Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell

## WE RESPOND TO GOD

### +AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: THE NICENE CREED

*The Nicene Creed, the Church's central statement of faith, emerged out of the first four councils of the Church in the 4th century in response to controversies about Jesus' divinity. The Latin root of the phrase "we believe" (credo) means to "give one's heart." The creed is our way of affirming to the foundation to which we orient our hearts and lives. The term "apostolic" refers to the historic succession of the apostles (original leaders of the early church) through our bishops. The term "catholic" refers to the universal church throughout the world.*

Celebrant        Let us affirm our faith in the One, holy, and living God:  
All                **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.**



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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

### *Celebrant*

Beloveds, do to others as you would have them do to you. Let us pray for others, saying, "We have come before you, O God; and here will we wait for you."

### *Intercessor*

Merciful God, help us to love our enemies, to do good to those who hate us. It is a hard thing for us. Make us merciful, just as you are merciful.

**We have come before you, O God; and here will we wait for you.**

Holy God, make your justice shine like the noonday sun. Vindicate the meek; save the righteous; rescue those who find their refuge in you. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Rosemont Center.

**We have come before you, O God; and here will we wait for you.**

We pray, Creator God, for those who experience the pangs of hunger. We cry to you for those dying of starvation. Bless them with provision. Give us a new appreciation for the abundance in our lives.

**We have come before you, O God; and here will we wait for you.**

Heal families. Heal our families. Heal the families in our community. Mend our divisions. Make us ministers of reconciliation.

**We have come before you, O God; and here will we wait for you.**

Heal these bodies, O God, that you have made from the dust of the earth. Deliver us, and those for whom we now pray, from our infirmities. We pray for those on our prayer list:

**Gene, Tony, Donna; Emily, Deanna, Colleen, Wendy; Sally, Donna, Diane, Harold, Jim, Jack, Joyce, Barbara, Ed, Rodgers, Margaret, Dick, Tom, Irene, Barbara, Nancy, Noah, Joseph, Gabby, Eric, James, Pat, Leo, Bettye, Bailey B.**

**We have come before you, O God; and here will we wait for you.**

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Raise in power those who have died in weakness, mighty Redeemer. Raise to imperishability those who have died in the flesh. Raise those whose bodies have returned to the dust to great and eternal glory, including Pete Shanklin.

**We have come before you, O God; and here will we wait for you.**

*Please add your intercessions, silently or aloud. The Celebrant will add a concluding prayer.*

### CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION *(Please kneel)*

*Deacon* The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Savior Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own. Therefore, let us confess our sins unto our merciful God.

*Please allow a moment of silence for reflection.*

*All* **Most merciful God, we confess that 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 are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord 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 the Lord be always with you.

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

### WE OFFER OURSELVES TO GOD

THE OFFERTORY

*Chorale*

Peeters

+THE DOXOLOGY

Mary Luti

**Praise God, the source of breath and birth,  
who formed us from the dust of earth,  
and made us kin in unity  
to love and set each other free.**

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## WE ARE STRENGTHENED FOR THE JOURNEY

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Eucharistic Prayer C*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant continues*

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

**Glory to you for ever and ever.**

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

**By your will they were created and have their being.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

**Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

**By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

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

**Hosanna in the highest.**

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And so, Loving God, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

**We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our holy and righteous Ancestors, Redeemer and Mother of Israel, God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal.

Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name. **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Celebrant* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

*People* **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 the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

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## BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*As an act of adoration, a moment of reverent silence is kept as the bread is broken. This symbolizes the breaking of Jesus' own body.*

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*Upon the presentation of the consecrated elements,*

Celebrant Behold who you are.  
People **May we become what we receive.**

## THE COMMUNION

*This is the table, not of the church, but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love God and for those who want to love God more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little; you who have been here often and you who have not been here long; you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, because it is Christ who bids you come. It is Christ who meets you here. You need not be an Episcopalian to feast here. In lieu of receiving communion, you may cross your arms over your chest, and the priest will give you a blessing.*

### COMMUNION HYMN

#### *Break Thou the Bread of Life*

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Break Thou the Bread of Life'. It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is B-flat major (two flats) and the time signature is 3/2. The lyrics are provided for three different versions of the hymn.

1. Break thou the bread of life, Dear Lord, to me,  
2. Bless thou the truth, dear Lord, To me, to me,  
3. Teach me to live, dear Lord, On - ly for thee,

1. As thou didst break the loaves Be - side the sea;  
2. As thou didst bless the bread By Gal - i - lee;  
3. As thy dis - ci - ples lived in Gal - i - lee;

1. Be - yond the sa - cred page I seek thee, Lord;  
 2. Then shall all bond - age cease, All fet - ters fall,  
 3. Then, all my strug - gles o'er, Then, vic - t'ry won,

1. My spir - it pants for thee, O liv - ing word!  
 2. And I shall find my peace, My all in all.  
 3. I shall be - hold thee, Lord, The liv - ing one.

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*People* Gracious God, in the eucharist we celebrate your love for us and for all people. Grant that strengthened by these holy gifts, we may show your love in our lives, and know its fulfilment in your presence. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & MILESTONE BLESSINGS

### PRAYER FOR A BIRTHDAY

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants *she/he/they* begin another year. Grant that *she/he/they* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *his/her/their* trust in your goodness all the days of *his/her/their* life(ves); through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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## PRAYER FOR AN ANNIVERSARY

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

## WE GO IN THE STRENGTH OF GOD

### THE BLESSING

### THE CLOSING HYMN

*Revive us again*

1. We praise thee, O God, For the son of thy  
2. We praise thee, O God, For thy spir - it of  
3. All glo - ry and praise To the lamb that was  
4. Re - vive us a - gain, Fill each heart with thy

1. love, For — Je - sus who died And is now gone a - bove.  
2. light, Who has shown us our Sav - ior, And scat - tered our night.  
3. slain, Who has borne all our sins And has cleansed ev - 'ry stain.  
4. love, May each soul be re - kin - dled With fire from a - bove.

Hal - le - lu - jah! Thine the glo - ry, Hal - le - lu - jah! A -  
men, Hal - le - lu - jah! Thine the glo - ry, Re - vive us a - gain.

### THE DISMISSAL

*Deacon* Let us go forth in the light of Christ.

*People* Thanks be to God.

### POSTLUDE

*Postlude Con Moto*

Peeters



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## THIS WEEK'S PRAYERS

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**Parishioners, Family, and Friends:** Gene Fornadley, Tony Hackley, Donna Maki; For heavy burdened nurses...Emily Dorosz, Deanna Gerhart, Colleen Meadows, Wendy VanHoozier; Sally Barley, Donna Boswell, Diane Coon, Harold Edwards, Jim Fenton, Jack & Joyce Ferguson, Barbara Huiras, Ed Jaffe, Rodgers Johnson, Margaret & Dick Leman, Tom May, Irene Savoy, Barbara T., Nancy J., Noah S., Joseph D., Gabby D., Eric H., James W., Pat R., Leo S., Bettye M., Bailey B.

**Armed Forces:** Cameron Chase, Zach Kettner, Malachi Lakey, Megan Laurine, Casey Mills, Nate Ochsner, Garrett Roberson, Jr., Connor Runser

**First Responders:** Matt Backman, Liz Caswell, Chris Cox, Jimmy Cox, James Laurine, Kenny Levy, Jason Lyon, Pat Lyon, Alvaro Paz Hicho, Luke Smith

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** Rosemont Center

**Dearly Departed:** Hubert "Pete" Shanklin, a Piney Icon

**Community and World:** For our country, especially the healthcare professionals, the unemployed, grocery store and transportation employees, firefighters, EMTs, police, teachers, and those suffering from the Covid-19 virus, and the people of Afghanistan and Haiti.

*In order to keep the list current and to facilitate the intentionality with which we pray, names remain on the prayer list for one month (but can be renewed at any time). To submit a prayer request: email Joyce Scofield: [rjscofield@comcast.net](mailto:rjscofield@comcast.net) or Mother Maria: [mkane@stpaulswaldorf.org](mailto:mkane@stpaulswaldorf.org)*

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## THIS WEEK

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### Questions for Reflection

How has God sent you to be a preserver of what is good and healthy?

How is your family living up to the wisdom that Joseph showed in caring for the people of Egypt and, eventually, even his own kin?

### Household Prayer: Morning

In the morning when I rise, O God, you are with me strong and sure, turning my dreams into insights and teaching me the delights of your law. You preserve my life day after day, and in return, I rejoice at the new dawn. Guard my waiting this day, O Lord, guide my feet and my hands, give me stillness and patience so that I may give delight to myself and to those I meet; in Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

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### **Household Prayer: Evening**

Lord, throughout this day you have rescued us from harm and despair, giving us instead the joy of accomplishment and fellowship with our family and friends. Protect us through the night, Holy One, that in our dreams we will not be shaken but will see you face to face and wake renewed. We take refuge in you; in Jesus' name. Amen.

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### **FLOWERS**

Today's flowers are given by Joyce Scofield  
in celebration of the birthday of her grandson, Noah,  
and in memory of Rod Scofield.

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **MOTHER MARIA AWAY**

Mother Maria will return next Sunday. For pastoral emergencies, call the church during the day (301) 645-5000 or The Rev. Deacon Susan Fritz after 3:00 p.m. (301) 643-4233.

#### **OUT OF OFFICE**

Diane, our office admin, will be out of the office February 21-March 4. All administrative matters will be handled upon her return.

#### **MARDI GRAS SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 27**

In lieu of our annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, we will have an all-age, COVID-safe Mardi Gras Celebration on Sunday, February 27 at 9:15 a.m. There will be a pancake relay race, Episcopal Jeopardy, and the decoration of a giant Alleluia banner, which we will bury at the 10:15 service for the season of Lent.

#### **ASH WEDNESDAY**

Ash Wednesday is March 2. There will be two services at 12:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Please join us as we begin a season of reflection and renewal.

#### **SAVE THE DATE!**

Lenten Fish Fry Friday, March 25. More information to follow.

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**CALENDAR**

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**Sunday, February 20, Seventh Sunday After the Epiphany**

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I  
 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
 11:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal

**Tuesday, February 22**

7:00 p.m. Sacred Ground

**Wednesday, February 23**

8:00 p.m. AA

**Sunday, February 27, Final Sunday After the Epiphany**

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I  
 9:15 A.M. Mari Gras Sunday  
 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
 11:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal

<b>MINISTERS IN WORSHIP</b>		
	<b>February 20, 8:00</b>	<b>February 20, 10:15</b>
<b>Acolyte</b>		Delana Bryant
<b>Prayers of the People</b>	Fern Brown	Sewell Truitte
<b>Reader</b>	Jeannie Paz Hicho	Karen Hunter
<b>Ushers</b>	Phil & Judy Hamilton	Trevor Bryant Zach Bryant
<b>Live Stream</b>		Kelly Bryant
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Cathy Lavender, Laraine Tuttle	
	<b>February 27, 8:00</b>	<b>February 27, 10:15</b>
<b>Acolyte</b>		Emily Lopez
<b>Prayers of the People</b>	Wendy VanHoozier	Terrance Frierson
<b>Reader</b>	Fern Brown	Jenna Monroe
<b>Ushers</b>	Larry & Sandy Mills	Grant Pettersen Troy Pettersen
<b>Live Stream</b>		Frank Pilato
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Jeannie Paz Hicho, Vicky Mumford	
<b>Counters</b>	Deanna Gerhart, Joe Guy, Greg Ferguson	

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