



**WELCOME TO
EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH
GRASS VALLEY, CALIFORNIA**

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

JANUARY 11, 2026

Readings:

Isaiah 42:1-9

Psalm 29

Acts 10:34-43

Matthew 3:13-17

Hymns (Blue Hymnal):

Processional: #616 "Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

Sequence: #139 "When Jesus Went to Jordan's Stream"

Communion: #279 "Descend, O Spirit, Purging Flame", #339 "Deck Thyself, My Soul
With Gladness", #697 "My God, Accept my Heart this Day"

Recessional: #569 "God the Omnipotent! King, who Ordainest"

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The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

The Word of God

[As you enter the church this morning please take an opportunity to prepare your heart through prayer.]

*The people stand. At 8:00 and 10:00 **Hymn #616** (Blue Hymnal) is sung*

[The people standing:]

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant and People: 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.

[At 8:00 we say the following:]

The Song of Simeon

Nunc dimittis, Luke 2:29-32

Lord, you now have set your servant free *
to go in peace as you have promised;
For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, *
whom you have prepared for all the world to see:
A Light to enlighten the nations, *
and the glory of your people Israel.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

[The people sit.]

The Lessons

The First Lesson

Reader: A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

Isaiah 42:1-9

Here is my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my spirit upon him;
he will bring forth justice to the nations.
He will not cry or lift up his voice,
or make it heard in the street;
a bruised reed he will not break,
and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;
he will faithfully bring forth justice.
He will not grow faint or be crushed
until he has established justice in the earth;
and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Thus says God, the Lord,
who created the heavens and stretched them out,
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,

who gives breath to the people upon it
and spirit to those who walk in it:
I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness,
I have taken you by the hand and kept you;
I have given you as a covenant to the people,
a light to the nations,
to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.
I am the Lord, that is my name;
my glory I give to no other,
nor my praise to idols.
See, the former things have come to pass,
and new things I now declare;
before they spring forth,
I tell you of them.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

[At 8:00 between the Bible lessons we recite the Psalm in unison. At 10:00 The Psalm is sung to the tune below.]



Psalm 29, *Afferte Domino*

- ¹Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, *
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- ²Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; *
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
- ³The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; *
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- ⁴The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; *
the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.
- ⁵The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; *
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

- ⁶ He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, *
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- ⁷ The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire;

the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; *
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- ⁸ The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe *
and strips the forests bare.
- ⁹ And in the temple of the Lord *
all are crying, "Glory!"
- ¹⁰ The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; *
the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- ¹¹ The Lord shall give strength to his people; *
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

The Second Lesson

Reader: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel

[All stand]

At 10:00 **Hymn #139** is sung.

[Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying:]

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

People: Glory to You Lord Christ

Matthew 3:13-17

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

[After the Gospel, the Reader says]

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

[We respond to the sermon by standing and proclaiming our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed. This statement of faith has been a part of the church since 325AD.]

[The Deacon or Celebrant bids the proclamation of the Nicene Creed.]

**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.***

The Prayers of the People:

[Deacon or other leader:]

Drawn like the Magi to the light of Christ, let us pray to our Lord, asking him to mercifully hear our prayers.

Gracious Lord, we pray for all Christians throughout the world, that all might worship you in ways that are pleasing to you. Use us in your Church's mission, that your Kingdom might be made manifest here on earth.
Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer

Heavenly Father, guide our nation and all the nations of the world into greater unity and trust. We pray for our President, Congress, and the Supreme Court, that they might govern with justice and wisdom.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer

Almighty God, creator of the heavens and the earth, teach us to be responsible and faithful stewards of this world that you have given us to be our home.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer

Merciful God, teach us to love one another as you have loved us. We pray for the Christians in the Holy Land, and for all who suffer from warfare and violence.

Protect those who serve in our military and grant that their actions may help bring peace.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer

Gracious God, we pray for our community, and especially for those in need. We ask for your loving presence with those who have suffered from fires and other natural disasters. Bless and guide those who minister to the homeless, the hungry, the sick, the lonely, and the troubled.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer

Most merciful God, bring healing to the hearts, minds and souls of those who suffer illness or other difficulties. We pray for those on our Emmanuel Prayer List and on the Daughters of the King prayer list, and for those we name aloud or in our hearts.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer

Eternal God, we pray for those who have died. Receive them into the arms of your mercy and comfort those who mourn.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer

Celebrant: Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our

ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

[The Deacon or Celebrant says:]

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
[Silence may be kept.]

[All together:]

**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.****

Priest: 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.**

[All stand]

The Peace

[In the Confession of Sin we are reconciled with God and that relationship is made right. The Peace is designed to flow out of that forgiven state and is to be a time in which we are reconciled to one another before we move into Communion (see Matthew 5:23-24).]

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord, followed by announcements and celebration of birthdays and anniversaries.

The Holy Communion

[During the Offertory, a hymn, psalm, or anthem may be sung.]

The Doxology

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.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer D

[The people remain standing.]

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 him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

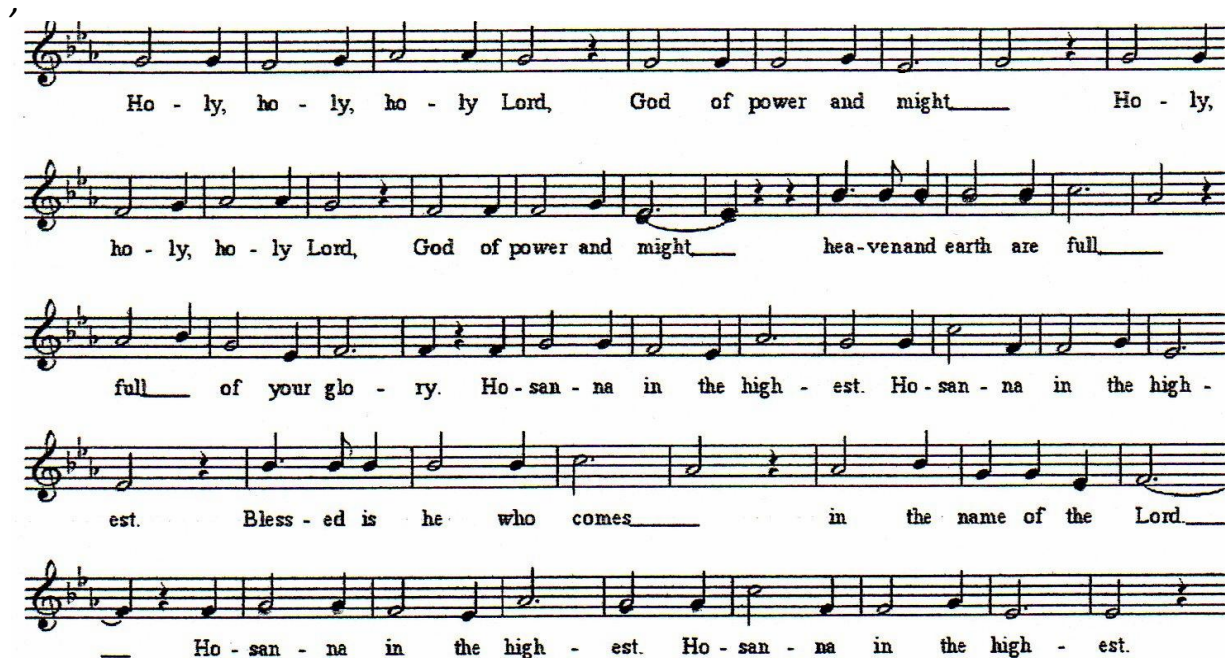
Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we (say) sing,

[At 8:00 these words are spoken:]

Celebrant and People: 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.

[At 10:00 these words are sung:]



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might _____ Ho - ly,
ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might _____ hea-venand earth are full _____
full _____ of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

[The people stand or kneel as able.]

Celebrant: We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

[At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.]

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

[Celebrant and People:]

**We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

[The Celebrant continues:]

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

And Now, as our Savior Christ has taught us we are bold to say,

[Celebrant and 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.*

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the bread, at 8:00 we say,

Celebrant: Alleluia, the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.

People: And we have beheld his glory, the glory as of the only Son of God,
Alleluia!

At 10:00 we sing,

The musical notation consists of three staves. The first staff is for the Cantor, with the lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia" and "Al - le - lu - ia." The second staff is also for the Cantor, with the lyrics "The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us,". The third staff is for All, with the lyrics "And we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only Son of God." and a note to "All Repeat Alleluias".

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

[All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion]

[At 8:00 and 10:00 Hymns #279, #339, #697]

The Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People:

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food

**in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. *Amen.***

Celebrant: May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

[All stand:]

Hymn #569

The Dismissal

Deacon/Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

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