

# SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

February 23

Anno Domini 2025

#### Welcome and Announcements

# THE LORD CALLS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

The people shall stand

Psalm 47:1-4

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Cantus 292

MINISTER: : In the name of the Father and of the Son

and of the Holy Spirit.

PEOPLE: Amen!

The light shines in the darkness

And the darkness has not overcome it.

God has shone in our hearts

To give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

In Him was life,

And the life was the light of men.

#### **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

Almighty God,
Unto whom all hearts are open, All desires
known, And from whom 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
Glorious Name, Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

## THE LORD CLEANSES US FROM OUR SIN

# CONFESSION OF SIN

The people shall kneel

Most merciful God

We have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone what ought to be done, And we have done what ought not to be done. And there is no health in us. But You, O Lord, have mercy on us, miserable sinners. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, According to Your promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, most merciful Father, for His sake, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of Your holy Name. Amen.

[silent prayer, followed by Amen]

#### **ABSOLUTION**

The people shall stand

...Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up unto the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

It is proper and right so to do!

Gloria Patri

Cantus 436

The people shall raise their hand for the Gloria Patri

# THE LORD CONSECRATES US BY HIS WORD

## COLLECT FOR PEACE

Father in Heaven,

King of all Nations,

You led the wise men to worship Jesus;

You have installed Your Son on Zion Your holy hill,

And we confess that He is King of all kings and Lord of all lords;

You have made the kingdoms of this world to be the kingdoms of our Lord And of Your Christ: Rule the earth, we pray, so that peace and righteousness May be established among all nations;

Guide us in the way of peace, that we might be called the sons of God. For the sake of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

Amen.

The people shall sit

NEW TESTAMENT 1 Corinthians 15:35-50

The Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

PSALM Psalm 37

Amen!

GOSPEL Luke 6:27-38

The victory of our Lord Jesus Christ **Praise be to you, O Christ!** 

# The people shall stand

# CONFESSION OF FAITH Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty;
Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ,
his only begotten Son, our Lord
He was conceived by the Holy Ghost and born of
the virgin, Mary

He suffered under <u>Pontius</u> Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried

He descended into Hades

On the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence He will come to judge the living and the dead

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen

SERMON The Tower of Babel

Genesis 11:1-32

#### The people shall stand

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Cantus 338

The people shall sit

COLLECTION OF GOD'S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

The Doxology

Cantus 437

The people shall stand and raise their hands for the Doxology PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND SUPPLICATION

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

The Lord's Prayer

Cantus 411

The people shall sit

# THE LORD COMMUNES WITH US

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And with your Spirit** 

The people exchange peace. After the minister returns to the table, the people shall return to their seats.

**COMMUNION** 

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

Cantus 204

Bread v 1-2

Wine v 3-4

# THE LORD COMMISSIONS US

Lead On, O King Eternal

Cantus 312

**COMMISSION** 

Matthew 28:18-20

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

Song of Simeon

Cantus 428