



CHRIST CHURCH
PORTOLA VALLEY & WOODSIDE

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany



The Holy Eucharist, Rite Two
February 5, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

WELCOME!

The Episcopal Parish of Portola Valley & Woodside

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We encourage you to wear a mask for indoor services.

(Masks are available on the table in the Narthex as you enter the Church)

Please be smart, stay safe, care for others, and stay at home if you don't feel well.

Thank you to today's volunteers!

Flowers	Diane Leonard
Usher	Ross Soubirous
Altar Guild	Betsy Alexander
Lesson	James Coker
Epistle	Betsy Alexander
Prayers of the People	Sarah Halsey

THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE Thee We Adore, O Blessed Savior

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN 372 Praise to the living God

Leoni

1 Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name
2 Form - less, all love - ly forms de - clare his love - li - ness;
3 His Spi - rit flow - eth free, high surg - ing where it will:
4 E - ter - nal life hath he im - plant - ed in the soul;

who was, and is, and is to be for ay the same.
ho - ly, no ho - li - ness of earth can his ex - press.
in pro - phet's word he spoke of old; he speak - eth still.
his love shall be our strength and stay while a - ges roll.

The one e - ter - nal God ere aught that now ap - pears:
 Lo, he is Lord of all. Cre - a - tion speaks his praise,
 Es - tab - lished is his law, and change - less it shall stand,
 Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name

the first, the last, be - yond all thought his time - less years!
 and ev - ery - where a - bove, be - low, his will o - beys.
 deep writ up - on the hu - man heart, on sea, on land.
 who was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Collects, which began to be included in the liturgy in the 6th century, gather us in a prayer at the beginning of worship. This collect, written in the 11th century, was translated from Latin to English by Thomas Cranmer for the 1549 Prayer Book. It invokes the Holy Spirit and prepares us for worship.

Officiant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Officiant 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 IN EXCELSIS S278

William Mathias (1934-1992)

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -

might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
 praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,
 on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;
 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For
 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of
 God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Collect of the day often gathers or “collects” the themes from the readings or the gospel.

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray,

Officiant 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.**

Please be seated.

THE LESSON *Isaiah 58:1-9*

Readings for worship are taken from various books of the Bible. The first reading is almost always drawn from the Old Testament.

Reader A reading from Isaiah.

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 112:1-9 (*chanted by the choir*) *Thomas Attwood (1765-1838)*

The Psalm is a song or poem addressed to God, meant to be recited or sung in the context of worship. The content of the psalms varies from praise to petitions and laments. Laments are more common in psalms 1-90, but as the book progresses, more and more of the Psalms focus on praise, symbolizing how prayer can change our hearts and heal our troubled world.

Hallelujah!
Happy are they who fear the Lord
and have great delight in his commandments!
Their descendants will be mighty in the land;
the generation of the upright will be blessed.
Wealth and riches will be in their house,
and their righteousness will last for ever.
Light shines in the darkness for the upright;
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.
It is good for them to be generous in lending
and to manage their affairs with justice.
For they will never be shaken;
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.

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

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

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

THE EPISTLE *1 Corinthians 2:1-12*

Epistle is the Greek word for letter. Thus, a reading from an epistle is a reading from a letter an apostle wrote to an individual or an early Christian community.

Reader A reading from First Corinthians.

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

SEQUENCE HYMN 98 Lord, speak to me

Canonbury

1 Lord, speak to me, that I may speak in
2 O lead me, Lord, that I may lead the
3 O teach me, Lord, that I may teach the

liv - ing ech - oes of thy tone; as thou has sought, so
wand - ering and the wav - ering feet; O feed me, Lord, that
pre - cious things thou dost im - part; and wing my words, that

let me seek thy err - ing child - ren lost and lone.
I may feed thy hun - gry ones with man - na sweet.
they may reach the hid - den depths of many a heart.

The musical score is written in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of vocal melody and bass accompaniment. The lyrics are arranged in three parts, with the first part having three verses. The second part continues the melody and lyrics, and the third part concludes the hymn.

THE GOSPEL *Matthew 5:13-20*

Gospel is simply the Greek word for "Good News." In this context, however, it means a reading from one of the first four books of the New Testament: Matthew, Mark, Luke or John.

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.**
Please be seated.

THE SERMON *The Reverend Beth Phillips*

Please stand as you are able and say together:

A TRIUNE CREED

Typically, we recite The Nicene Creed – a communal declaration and ancient statement of the Christian faith formulated in the 4th century. It is sectioned into three parts: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. At the heart of each section is the power and work of each person of the Trinity. This is a modern version:

**We believe in God, who loves us and wants us to
love each other.
This is our God.**

**We believe in Jesus, who cared for children and
held them in his arms. He wanted a world
where everyone could live together in peace.
This is Jesus Christ.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, who keeps working
with us until everything is good and true.
This is the Holy Spirit.**

**We can be the church, which reminds people of
God because we love each other.
This we believe. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(adapted from *Intercessions for the Christian People*)

Leader With all our heart and mind let us offer to God our prayers, saying: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.
For those who feed the believing community throughout the world, especially our Presiding Bishop Michael, our Bishop Marc, and our priest Beth, that they might lead us on the path of faithful discipleship, let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Leader For leaders of nations, for those who serve us in government, for reconciliation among nations, races, creeds, and all that can divide us; for the gifts of unity, peace and grace, let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Leader For the consolation and support of all who are in prison, physically, spiritually, and emotionally, especially for *Peggy Dubes, Jim Szewczak, Monte Waite, Ron Larson, Jean Deane, Pamela Stevens, Denise Pagan, Donna, Michael and Nalyn Parker, Chuck Harwood, Steve Millard, Don "Jake" Jacobson, John, Larry Stafford, Stu Langs, Gavin Christensen, Grandma Kathy, Robert, Gabriella, Matthew*, and those we name now either silently or aloud (pause), let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Leader For the dead, especially *Fiona Robin, James Miller, Marian Carr Huggins, Leia Victoria Johnson, Frank Losey, Mary Peterson, Edward Polk Norton, Gunther Sorger, Charles Randall, Lorraine Fuller, Ester Judd*, and those we now name either silently aloud (pause). For the bereaved and those who minister to them, let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Leader For the concerns on our hearts today, we pray either silently or aloud (pause), let us pray to the Lord:

People Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Celebrant *Holy God, lover of the human family and helper of all in need, hear the prayers we offer in faith, and strengthen us in your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dates for many of our upcoming events can be found on the back of this bulletin.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY HYMN 657 Love divine, all loves excelling

Hyfrydol

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heaven, to
2 Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy
3 Fi - nish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - way bless - ing,
ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

At the start of The Great Thanksgiving, please stand as you are able.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant 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 S128

William Mathias

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
 ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who



Celebrant We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

All **We remember his death,**
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory

Celebrant And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Mary, Joseph, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

All **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

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

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.

THE COMMUNION

All people (including children of all ages) are welcome to receive Communion at this Church. Please come forward as directed by the ushers. To receive the bread, hold out your hands and the clergy will place it on your palm. The celebrant will take a sip of the wine on behalf of the congregation. If you prefer not to receive the Communion, you may come forward placing your hands over your chest, and the clergy will be glad to offer you a blessing.

ANTHEM Heavenly Light

Alexander Kopylov (1854-1911)

*Sent from heaven, thy rays were given,
On great and small to shine, O light Divine.
May each soul in sorrow's night see the heavenly light.
Thou blessing to all creation, lead us to our salvation.
All those whose feet may falter, lead unto the sacred altar.
Oh, shine from above, Divine Light of love.
Show us the way unto our God, we pray.
Thou our beacon and guide shalt be.
Light Divine, we praise Thee.*

Please stand as you are able.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **Mysterious God, we thank you**

for feeding us with yourself;
 and for making yourself known to us
 in the holy child Jesus, the Christ.
 Let us carry within our hearts your Holy Spirit,
 that same Spirit which was in Jesus,
 so that that we may help bring your peace
 to all the earth in Jesus' Name. Amen.

THE BLESSING *The Celebrant blesses the People, who respond Amen.*

HYMN WLP 787 We are marching in the light of God

Siyahamba

We are march - ing in the light of God, we are
 Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya -

march - ing in the light of God, We are march - ing in the
 hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -

light of God, we are march - ing in the light of God.
 nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

We are march - ing
 Si - ya - ham - ba

Oo we are march - ing in the light of God
 Oo si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos' -

We are march - ing
 Si - ya - ham - ba

Oo we are march - ing in the light of God.
 Oo si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos' -

THE DISMISSAL

One Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Siyahamba

Robert Buckley Farlee (b. 1950)

A PRAYER FOR CELEBRATIONS

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 heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

DIRECTORY

CLERGY AND STAFF

Rector Beth Phillips
Music Director Lauren Wittine
Parish Administrator Nicole Sprague
Sunday School Director Michel Hardbarger
Interim Rector Emeritus Chris Creed
Deacon Emeritus Dede Jamison
Parish Dog Bruno

All active clergy and staff may be reached by email at <firstname@ccpvw.org>

VESTRY MEMBERS

Vinie Miller, *Senior Warden, term ends January 2024*
Anne Van der Staay, *Clerk, Member, term ends January 2024*
Bob Wrucke, *Member, term ends January 2025*
Ross Soubirous, *Member, term ends January 2025*
Liz Laderman, *Member, term ends January 2026*
Terry Lynn, *Member, term ends January 2026*
The Rev. Beth Phillips, *Rector*

Betsy Alexander, *Treasurer*

Ongoing Collection Drives

Carillon Preschool is collecting used sneakers to raise money for the work of the school. All donated sneakers will be resold or recycled through Gotsneakers, a sneaker recycling organization. Visit gotsneakers.com for more information and deliver any donations to the bag in the breezeway.

Pick up your "Change for GAIA" jars. Fill them with coins. Turn them in on Mardi Gras (Tuesday, February 21). Funds will pay for medical supplies to help eradicate AIDS and Malaria in Malawi. Contact Carol Wentworth with questions.

Hotel-sized toiletries needed for the homeless staying at Maple Street Shelter in RWC. Shampoo, conditioner, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shower shoes and more. Bring items to the marked box in the breezeway. Contact Ruth Ann Wrucke with questions.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Check our weekly email for more details.

Sunday, February 12

11:00 a.m.

After church, sign Valentines Day cards and help fill small jars with message hearts for the seniors at Silver Oaks Memory Care in Menlo Park.

Saturday, February 18

Sous chefs and bakers are needed to help make lunch and dinner for residents of the Coast House Shelter (Life Moves) in Half Moon Bay. Help is needed both Friday (2/17) and again Saturday morning. Contact Ruth Ann Wrucke.

Sunday, February 19

1:30 p.m.

Singers and readers are needed for a rollicking SpiritCare hymn service at Silver Oaks Memory Care. Contact Angela Hey.