



February 23, 2025 – Livestream  
Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany

GATHERING

WORDS OF WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Brandon Wallace

SPOTLIGHT ON MINISTRY

Mardi Gras

\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PRELUDE

*Feel the Spirit*

arr. L. Larson

Cathedral Ringers; Kelley & Jeff Warbinton, directors

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

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Leader: Praise the Lord, O Servants of God.

**People: Let the name of the Holy One be praised.**

Leader: From high noon to full moon,

**People: let the name of the Holy One be praised.**

Leader: From heaven's attic to earth's cellar,

**People: let the name of the Holy One be praised.**

Leader: From raising the weak to seating the strong,

**People: let the name of the Holy One be praised.**

\*OPENING HYMN #710

*Faith of Our Fathers*

***Faith of our fathers, living still, in spite of dungeon, fire, and sword;***

***O how our hearts beat high with joy whene'er we hear that glorious word!***

***Refrain: Faith of our fathers, holy faith! We will be true to thee till death.***

***Faith of our fathers, we will strive to win all nations unto thee;***

***and through the truth that comes from God, we all shall then be truly free. [Refrain]***

***Faith of our fathers, we will love both friend and foe in all our strife;***

***and preach thee, too, as love knows how by kindly words and virtuous life. [Refrain]***

OPENING PRAYER

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**Strong and enduring God,**

**who governs all things in heaven and on earth:**

**With mercy, listen to the pleas of your people,**

**and give us your peace in this hour;**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## ANTHEM

*I Got a Key*

arr. A. Parker

*I got a key to the kingdom, oh Lord, I have a now, and the world can't do me no harm.*  
 Now if you know you're livin' right, servin' God both nigh' and day,  
 then when you go down on your knees, God'll hear ev'ry word you say. *Refrain*  
 Well, blow your trumpet, Garbriel, an' come down on the sea;  
 now don't you sound your trumpet, 'til you get orders from me. Oh, hear me singin,' *Refrain*  
 Now, when I get to heaven, I wan' you to be the' too;  
 an' when I holle', hallelujah, I wan' you to holle' too. Hallelujah!  
 Pray'r is the key to the kingdom, an' faith unlocks the do'  
 if you got a key to heaven, you can pray everywhere you go. *Refrain*

## \*CANTICLE OF PRAISE #772

Psalm 37:1-11

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Leader: Do not be angry because of the wicked;  
 do not be envious of wrongdoers!

**People: For they will soon fade like the grass,  
 and wither like the green herb.**

Leader: Trust in the Lord, and do good;  
 so you will dwell in the land, and enjoy security.

**People: Take delight in the Lord,  
 who will give you the desires of your heart.**

Leader: Commit your way to the Lord;  
 trust in God who will act,  
 bringing forth your vindication as the light,  
 and your right as the noonday.

**People: Be still and wait patiently before the Lord;  
 do not be angry because of those who prosper in their way,  
 over those who carry out evil devices!**

Leader: Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath.  
 Do not be angry; it leads only to evil.

**People: For the wicked shall be cut off,  
 but those who wait for the Lord shall inherit the land.**

Leader: Yet a little while, the wicked will be no more;  
 though you look at their place, they will not be there.

**People: But the meek shall inherit the land,  
 and delight in abundant prosperity.**

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Curtis Hurley

## FIRST LESSON

Genesis 12:1-7

<sup>1</sup>The Lord had said to Abram, "Leave your native country, your relatives, and your father's family, and go to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup>I will make you into a great nation. I will bless you and make you famous, and you will be a blessing to others. <sup>3</sup>I will bless those who bless you and curse those who treat you with contempt. All the families on earth will be blessed through you."

<sup>4</sup>So Abram departed as the Lord had instructed, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he left Haran. <sup>5</sup>He took his wife, Sarai, his nephew Lot, and all his wealth—his livestock and all the people he had taken into his household at Haran—and headed for the land of Canaan. When they arrived in Canaan, <sup>6</sup>Abram traveled through the land as far as Shechem. There he set up camp beside the oak of Moreh. At that time, the area was inhabited by Canaanites.

<sup>7</sup> Then the Lord appeared to Abram and said, "I will give this land to your descendants." And Abram built an altar there and dedicated it to the Lord, who had appeared to him.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF PRAYER #140

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

***Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
there is no shadow of turning with thee;  
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;  
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.***

**Refrain: *Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;  
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!***

***Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. [Refrain]***

***Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [Refrain]***

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Darren Cushman Wood

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

**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, forever. Amen.**

MUSICAL RESPONSE #2176

*Make Me a Servant*

***Make me a servant, humble and meek,  
Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.  
And may the prayer of my heart always be:  
Make me a servant, make me a servant, make me a servant today.***

OFFERTORY PRAYER

## \*DOXOLOGY #94

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
 Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
 Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
 Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
 Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!***

## SECOND LESSON

Numbers 27:1-8

<sup>1</sup>One day a petition was presented by the daughters of Zelophehad—Mahlah, Noah, Hoglah, Milcah, and Tirzah. Their father, Zelophehad, was a descendant of Hephher son of Gilead, son of Makir, son of Manasseh, son of Joseph. <sup>2</sup>These women stood before Moses, Eleazar the priest, the tribal leaders, and the entire community at the entrance of the Tabernacle. <sup>3</sup>“Our father died in the wilderness,” they said. “He was not among Korah’s followers, who rebelled against the Lord; he died because of his own sin. But he had no sons. <sup>4</sup>Why should the name of our father disappear from his clan just because he had no sons? Give us property along with the rest of our relatives.”

<sup>5</sup>So Moses brought their case before the Lord. <sup>6</sup>And the Lord replied to Moses, <sup>7</sup>“The claim of the daughters of Zelophehad is legitimate. You must give them a grant of land along with their father’s relatives. Assign them the property that would have been given to their father.

<sup>8</sup>“And give the following instructions to the people of Israel: If a man dies and has no son, then give his inheritance to his daughters.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

*Say Her Name Sermon Series #4:  
 The Daughters of Zelophehad*

Darren Cushman Wood

## \*HYMN OF DEDICATION #2197

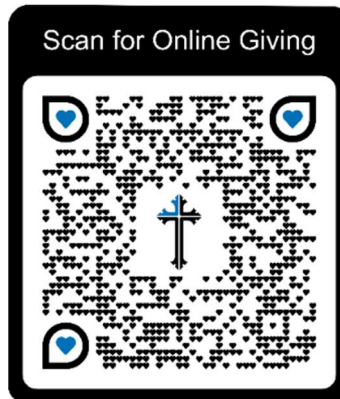
*Lord of All Hopefulness*

***Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,  
 whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy:  
 Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,  
 your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.***

***Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,  
 whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:  
 Be there at our labors, and give us, we pray,  
 your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.***

***Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,  
 your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace:  
 Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,  
 your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.***

***Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,  
 whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm:  
 Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,  
 your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.***



Upcoming Events:

February 25, Young Adult Dinner, 7:00pm, Garage Food Hall

February 28 – March 2, Youth Lenten Retreat, Teeter Farms

March 4, Mardi Gras, 5:30 – 7:00pm

March 5, Ash Wednesday Services, 7:30am, 1:00pm, 6:30pm

March 8, Children's Lenten Retreat

March 12, Hymn Sing, 5:30pm

This week's worship  
leaders:

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