

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY  
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**HYMNODY**

**ENTRANCE HYMN**      **909**      *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*

**BAPTISM HYMN** (Wed.)      **590**      *Baptized into Your Name Most Holy*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**      **820**      *My Soul, Now Praise Your Maker*

**DISTRIBUTION**

**644**      *The Church's One Foundation*

**394**      *Songs of Thankfulness and Praise*

**851**      *Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us*

**698**      *May We Thy Precepts, Lord, Fulfill*

**HYMN TO DEPART**      **707**      *Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways*

**PRAYER UPON ENTERING WORSHIP**



*epiphany*

Dearest Lord Jesus, on this day in time, we come together to speak of things of eternal consequence. Bless us as we gather at Your tender invitation to hear the saving Gospel. Calm our hearts and minds from the things of this world, so we might hear, and through the power of the Spirit, believe Your eternal Word of life. Amen.

**Introit**

P: Bless the LORD, O my soul,

**C: and forget not all his benefits,**

P: who forgives all your iniquity,

**C: who heals all your diseases.**

P: The LORD is merciful and gracious,

**C: slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

P: He will not always chide,

**C: nor will he keep his anger forever.**

P: He does not deal with us according to our sins,

**C: nor repay us according to our iniquities.**

P: For as high as the heavens are above the earth,

**C: so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him.**

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

**Collect of the Day**

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in You, mercifully grant that by Your power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Old Testament Reading****Leviticus 19:1–2, 9–18**

<sup>1</sup>And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, <sup>2</sup>“Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them, You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy. . . . <sup>9</sup>“When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap your field right up to its edge, neither shall you gather the gleanings after your harvest. <sup>10</sup>And you shall not strip your vineyard bare, neither shall you gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard. You shall leave them for the poor and for the sojourner: I am the LORD your God. <sup>11</sup>“You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; you shall not lie to one another. <sup>12</sup>You shall not swear by my name falsely, and so profane the name of your God: I am the LORD. <sup>13</sup>“You shall not oppress your neighbor or rob him. The wages of a hired servant shall not remain with you all night until the morning. <sup>14</sup>You shall not curse the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind, but you shall fear your God: I am the LORD. <sup>15</sup>“You shall do no injustice in court. You shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great, but in righteousness shall you judge your neighbor. <sup>16</sup>You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not stand up against the life of your neighbor: I am the LORD. <sup>17</sup>“You shall not hate your brother in your heart, but you shall reason frankly with your neighbor, lest you incur sin because of him. <sup>18</sup>You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

**Epistle Reading****1 Corinthians 3:10–23**

<sup>10</sup>According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building upon it. Let each one take care how he builds upon it. <sup>11</sup>For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. <sup>12</sup>Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw— <sup>13</sup>each one’s work will become manifest, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed by fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. <sup>14</sup>If the work that anyone has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. <sup>15</sup>If anyone’s work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire. <sup>16</sup>Do you not know that you are God’s temple and that God’s Spirit dwells in you? <sup>17</sup>If anyone destroys God’s temple, God will destroy him. For God’s temple is holy, and you are that temple. <sup>18</sup>Let no one deceive himself. If anyone among you thinks that he is wise in this age, let him become a fool that he may become wise. <sup>19</sup>For the wisdom of this world is folly with God. For it is written, “He catches the wise in their craftiness,” <sup>20</sup>and again, “The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are futile.” <sup>21</sup>So let no one boast in men. For all things are yours, <sup>22</sup>whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future—all are yours, <sup>23</sup>and you are Christ’s, and Christ is God’s.

**The Holy Gospel****Matthew 5:38–48**

<sup>38</sup>[Jesus said:] “You have heard that it was said, ‘An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.’ <sup>39</sup>But I say to you, Do not resist the one who is evil. But if anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also. <sup>40</sup>And if anyone would sue you and take your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. <sup>41</sup>And if anyone forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles. <sup>42</sup>Give to the one who begs from you, and do not refuse the one who would borrow from you. <sup>43</sup>“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ <sup>44</sup>But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, <sup>45</sup>so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven. For he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. <sup>46</sup>For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? <sup>47</sup>And if you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? <sup>48</sup>You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.