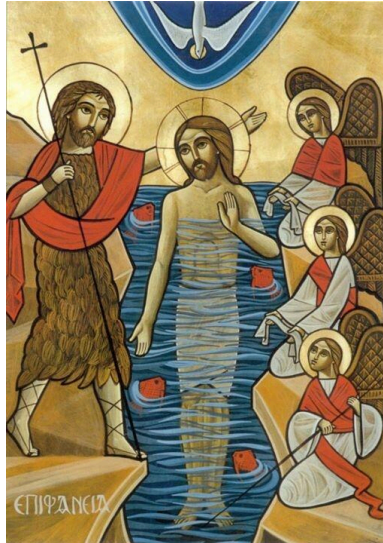


THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY: THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD



Holy Eucharist & Renewal of Holy Baptismal Vows

January 12, 2025, 10AM

*We are glad that you are here to worship with us today.
Please take the time before the service for silent prayer and meditation.
Let us know more about you by signing the guest book near the front door.
We welcome you to be part of our programs & community life.*

*The service is found in the red Book of Common Prayer.
Hymns are found in the blue Hymnal 1982.*

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THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

Prelude on "Salzburg"

Karen Beaumont

Processional Hymn 135, *Songs of thankfulness and praise*

SALZBURG

The Opening Acclamation

BCP, p. 355

The Collect for Purity

Gloria, LEVAS 243

see Service Music pew card

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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 Lessons

The First Reading: A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

ISAIAH 43:1-7

Thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life.

Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth- everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

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

Psalm 29

Chant by J. Barnby



- 1 Ascribe to the / LORD you / gods, *
ascribe to the / LORD / glo- ♦ ry and / strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory / due his / Name; *
worship the LORD in the / beauty ♦ of / ho-li-/ness.
- 3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of / glo-ry / thunders; *
the LORD is up- / on the / migh-ty / waters.
- 4 The voice of the LORD is a / pow-er ♦ -ful / voice; *
the voice of the LORD is a / **voice** / **of** splendor.
- 5 The voice of the LORD / breaks the / cedar trees; *
the LORD breaks the / cedars ♦ of / Leb-an- / on;
- 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 / **Ka-** / desh.
- 8 The voice of the LORD makes the / oak trees / writhe *
and / strips the / for-ests / bare.
- 9 And in the / **temple** ♦ **of the** / LORD *
-- / all are / crying, / "Glory!"
- 10 The LORD sits enthroned a- / bove the / flood; *
the LORD sits enthroned as / King for / ev-er-/more.
- 11 The LORD shall give / strength to ♦ his / people; *
the LORD shall give his people the / bless-ing / **of** / peace.

The Second Reading: A reading from the Book of Acts.

ACTS 8:14-17

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

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

Sequence Hymn 121, *Christ, when for us you were baptized*

CAITHNESS

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. LUKE 3:15-17, 21-22

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Victoria Geer McGrath

Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Presider Dear People of God: In Holy Baptism we follow the pattern of our Lord Jesus Christ. As he came up from the water he was anointed by the Spirit of God and designated as God's Son. So we also are anointed by that same Spirit; we are reborn and adopted as sons and daughters with whom God is well pleased. Let us now renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Presider Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Presider Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead.**

On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Presider Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Presider Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help**

Presider Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

The Sprinkling of the People

Wade in the wa - ter, wade in the wa-ter, chil - dren,

Wade in the wa - ter, God's a-gon-na trou-ble the wa - ter.

Fine

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of two systems. The first system has a vocal line in G major, 4/4 time, and a piano accompaniment. The lyrics are 'Wade in the wa - ter, wade in the wa-ter, chil - dren,'. The second system continues the vocal line with 'Wade in the wa - ter, God's a-gon-na trou-ble the wa - ter.' and ends with a double bar line and the word 'Fine'. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support throughout.

The Prayers of the People, Form III

BCP, p. 387

The Presider adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace

Please exchange God's Peace with one another.

Welcome & Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

Offertory Anthem

Come down, O Love divine

Hilary Tadman-Robins

All Saints' Choir



Please feel free to make your offering in thanksgiving to God using the electronic giving options at www.allsaintsmillington.org/giving

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B BCP, p. 367

Sursum Corda S-120 *see Service Music card in pews*

Sanctus, LEVAS 255 *see Service Music card in pews*

The Great Amen *see Service Music card in pews*

The Lord's Prayer BCP, p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem: Lamb of God, LEVAS 270 *see Service Music card in pews*

All baptized Christians are invited to receive the Body and Blood of Christ in Communion which will be offered as both bread and wine. If you need a gluten-free wafer, please tell the priest at the altar rail.

If you need to receive Communion in your pew, please let an usher know.

If you are not receiving today, please come forward for a blessing.

Communion Hymn 120, The sinless one to Jordan came SOLEMNIS HAEC FESTIVITAS

Post-Communion Prayer BCP, p. 365

The Epiphany Blessing

Closing Hymn 636, How firm a foundation FOUNDATION

The Dismissal *The response is* **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude *Flourish on "How Firm a Foundation"* Grimoaldo Macchia

Our Ministers Today

Ushers: Tom Hackett, Earle Sandberg **Acolytes:** Andrew Saitta, Adam Saitta

Lector: Sean Ragiel **LEM:** Susan LeVan

Refreshment Hour: John McGrath

Altar Guild: Wendy Clarkson, Stephanie Posella

Clergy, Vestry & Staff

Rector: The Rev. Victoria Geer McGrath

Wardens: Wendy Clarkson & Janet Gibbs

Vestry: Stewart Cunningham, Matt Dalmedo,
Helen Mederos, Betsy Wallace, Waring Webb

Clerk: Janet Gibbs

Treasurer: Bob Jackson

Music Director: Alison Siener Brown

Administrator: Susie Harris

All Saints' Announcements

TODAY: "De-greening" of the Church at 11:15am. It's time to take down and put away all the Christmas greens and decorations, and we need your help! When we all work together it goes well and fairly quickly. Coffee & snacks provided. Come & help us out!

Godly Play for ages 4-11 meets today at 11:15am in the lower level of the Church. Children should get their snack in the Narthex and then go to class with Ms. Clark.

Chalk for Epiphany House Blessings (along with instructions and prayers) is available on the table in the Narthex. Mark the door of your home as a form of blessing for all who live or visit the whole year through.

Star Words for 2025 - Just as the Kings/Magi followed the star that guided them to Bethlehem, a word can be a form of guidance, blessing, encouragement, a prayer, a watch word, God speaking to you. Pick one card at random from the basket on the Narthex table and put it on your fridge, bureau, or prayer place and keep it throughout the year.

Bible Study starts up again on Wed. Jan. 15 at 10:15 am on Zoom. We are reading our way through the New Testament Book of Acts. If you have been "cautiously curious" about Bible reading and would like to try it out, please know that you are invited. It's a good way to start the New Year! Questions? Speak to Mother Vicki.

Can You Take a Turn Hosting? After our 10am worship we gather in the Parish Hall for casual conversation with each other. **You provide** the snacks for the day: cookies, cheese & crackers, fruit, coffee cake - whatever strikes your fancy, as well as set-up and clean-up. Coffee & tea are taken care of. Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex.

Parish Calendar *Week of January 12*

- Monday** Parish Office, 9:30am-5:30pm
- Tuesday** Finance Committee, 7:15pm on Zoom
- Wednesday** Bible Study, 10am on Zoom
- Thursday** * Parish Office, 9:30am-5:30pm
 - * Twelve Baskets Food Pantry in the Parish House
11:30-12:30 - Senior shopping; 5pm - general shopping
 - * Office Angels, 2pm in the Rath House
 - * Handbell Choir, 5:45pm in the Undercroft
 - * All Saints' Choir, 7:30pm in the Choir Room
- Mon-Wed-Fri** - Compline (Bedtime Prayers), 9:30pm on Facebook Live