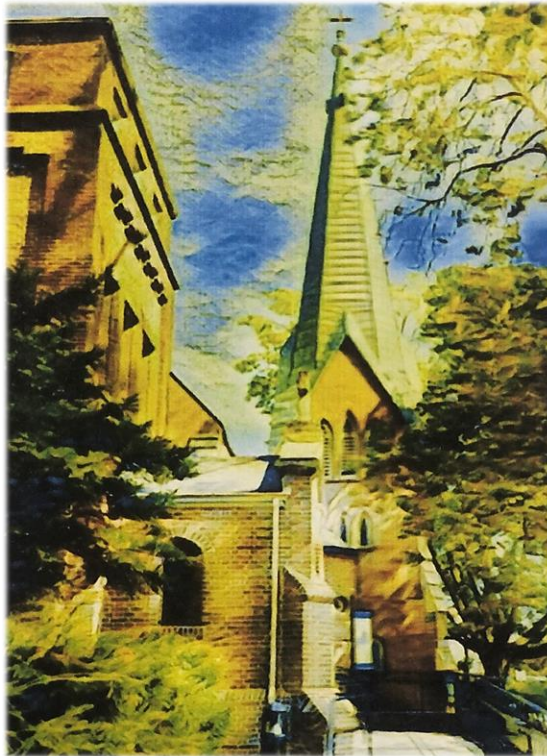


THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

JANUARY 9 AT 10:15 A.M.



Welcome to St. John's Episcopal Church. We pray you experience the love of God through our worship and fellowship. For those who are new to our community, restrooms can be found on the other side of the parish hall. Ushers are stationed at the back of the church and can answer any questions you may have. In addition to worship, Sunday School for all ages takes place at 9:00AM and opportunities for fellowship exist between our services. During this global pandemic, we require masks to be worn as we seek to protect the most vulnerable among us. Thank you for helping us love our neighbors and thank you for being here!

THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE

Let Us All With One Accord

arr. Edward Broughton
Tune: *BROUGHTON*

OPENING HYMN

To the name of our salvation

HYMN 249

OPENING ACCLAMATION *(please remain standing)*

Celebrant Blessed by God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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

Holy, Holy, Holy

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant 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 FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 43:1-7 *(please be seated)*

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.

People

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29 (*read responsively*)

- 1 Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, *
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; *
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders; *
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the LORD is a powerful 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 Lebanon;
- 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 Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe *
and strips the forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the LORD *
all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; *
the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- 11 The LORD shall give strength to his people; *
the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

THE SECOND LESSON: 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.

People

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN

Sing Praise to our Creator

HYMN 295

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 *(please remain standing)*

Celebrant

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People

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.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

THE REV. MATT MACDOUGALL

THE NICENE CREED *(Please stand)*

BCP 358

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man. (*pause*)
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Form IV (*The leader and people pray responsively*)

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Audrey, our Diocesan Bishop; and Amanda, Matt, and Stacey, our clergy. In the Diocesan and Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for Resurrection Mission, Mt. Carmel and The Anglican Church of Chile;

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; we pray for Joe, our President; Tom, our Governor; Danene, our Mayor; and those serving in the Armed Forces, that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially John Symonds, Amy Swiernik, Angelica, Carl, Chase, Dave Pennell, Emily Lavender, Ken Kiedrowski, Tiny Nolan, Kathy, Mary Ellen, Sandra Grove, Paula Wolf, Rich Hartley, Karan, Eric, Doris, give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Celebrant Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People *And also with you.*

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE OFFERTORY

Nocturne in E Minor

Frederic Chopin
From Opus 72, No. 1
arr. Lani Smith

THE DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

OLD 100TH

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: THE ADVENT COMPANION

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.*

It is good to give you thanks, O God, source of abundant life; through Jesus Christ your eternal Word who creates all things by the working of your spirit. For he is the reflection of your glory, the very imprint of your being. In him you have become one with us that we might become one with you. And so we raise our voices with saints and angels and all creation in joyful praise to you singing,

SANCTUS

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of you glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.*

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Holy and wondrous God, long ago you spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways. And in these last days you have spoken to us in your Word made flesh, Jesus, who proclaimed your dream of peace. He gave himself for our weary world, accepting death so that we might live, and held our darkness deep within until through cross and grave and empty tomb he set us free for love.

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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.

And so we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.*

Recalling his death and resurrection, and longing for his coming in glory we offer you these gifts of bread and wine, and our lives in thanks and praise. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be for us the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Pour out your Spirit upon us that we might be a people of grace and truth, bearing good news of joy in every season.

And bring us at the last with Mary and Joseph and all your Saints to that vision of eternal splendor for which you have created us. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, by him, with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, O God, in songs of everlasting praise. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing,

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE INVITATION

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.

ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

The Episcopal Church invites all who seek God to our Lord's table. If you wish to receive, please come forward to the front of the chancel steps when the usher indicates. If you desire a blessing instead of communion, simply cross your arms over your chest.

SENDING FORTH OF THE EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Celebrant In the name of God and on behalf of this parish, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many are one body.

People *Because we all share one bread, one cup.*

COMMUNION MUSIC

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

CLOSING HYMN

We know that Christ is raised

HYMN 296

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia!

People *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!*

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. JOHN’S:

Today

Auction Item Drop Off

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist: Rite I

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist: Rite II

Tuesday, January 11

1:30 p.m. Martha’s Ministry

2:30 p.m. Food Pantry

4:00 p.m. Finance Committee

5:00 p.m. VH Dance

Wednesday, January 12

12:05 p.m. HE with Healing

5:00 p.m. Stewardship Meeting

6:00 p.m. Auction Item Drop Off

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 13

2:30 p.m. Food Pantry

Friday, January 7

9:00 a.m. Community Meal Prep

Weekly Support Ministries

AA: Tuesday 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

NA: Mon., Wed., & Fri. 12:00 p.m.

New Office Hours: Monday: Office closed (staff is available for pastoral emergencies)
 Tues-Thurs: 10:00 a.m. – 4 p.m. / Friday: 10:00 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Auction Collection: On Wednesday, January 12, from 6-8pm, items for the annual auction will be collected. Please park in the lot and meet a Stewardship Committee member at the Courtyard Entrance. In addition, collection will also take place from 9:00am-10:15am and 11:15am-11:45am on Sunday, January 9, and 16. Committee members will still meet you in the Courtyard Entrance foyer, but only park in the lot if you are donating particularly large items. All items will be stored in the undercroft. If donating heavy items, please consider bringing help as there will often only be one committee member there to assist you.

Auction Goes Live: The auction will run from January 18th-January 24th. A link will be shared through email as soon as it goes live. This same link will be available to the general public. In order to bid, you will need to register with Proxibid, but that will be an automatic prompt if you show interest in a particular item.

St. John's Traveler Letter: Connecting us to our siblings in Christ across the world

Did you know St. John's has a team of pilgrims who travel every week to the very places we pray for in the Anglican communion? Follow John as he shares a little bit about the church and the places he visits!

Dear Pastor Amanda,

It's summer down here in Chile and I couldn't be happier for a little break from the cold and snow back in Pennsylvania. Don't get me wrong - I love winter but I have to say I don't mind all this sun and temperatures in the 80s!


It's a busy time here! Chile just elected a new president and, as always, there's always a soccer game on TV or in the streets to keep you busy. What's also neat about Chile is that it's the home of the church's newest province, which is a fancy way of saying a smaller part of the larger Anglican church worldwide, just like the Episcopal Church here in the USA.

If you pull it up on a map, Chile looks like its name - a long, skinny chili pepper running down the west coast of South America. It's home to beautiful beaches and stunning glaciers, soaring mountains and the Atacama Desert, which is the driest place on Earth. It's so dry that spaceships have used the desert to mimic what it's like on Mars when they're training for missions!

Deep in the desert there are a few ultra-powerful space telescopes for scientists to use. Because it's so far from civilization, it's one of the best places on Earth to view the stars and galaxies above us. They're even starting work on a new telescope called - and I'm not making this up - the Extremely Large Telescope that should open up in a few years.

I was able to take a look through some of the other telescopes and I couldn't help but marvel at all of God's creation that I was able to see through that little lens. It filled me with wonder to open my eyes and see billions of stars and planets out there. I felt small, but at the same time, I also felt that if we could create something like this extraordinary telescope, there's nothing we can't do without God to make this world (and worlds out there) a little better on our own, too. Every one of us. Everywhere I looked in Chile I was reminded of the beauty of God's creation. I hope to continue this search for beauty at next week's destination - the United Kingdom.

Hasta luego!
John Traveler



Celebrate the Life and Legacy of Dr.
Martin Luther King, Jr
at the

MLK TREASURE WALK

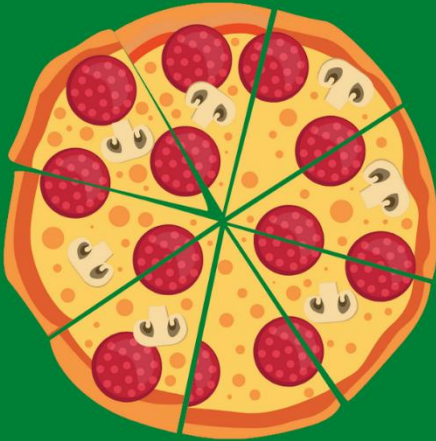
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Saturday, January 15 through
Monday, January 17, 2022

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Please wear your mask and social distance!

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into the glass atrium on West Chestnut St,
just before the corner at Mulberry St

**YOUTH FORMATION
THURSDAY, JANUARY 13TH
6:30-8:30PM**



**WHAT: PIZZA DINNER & OUR FIRST
OF MANY REGULARLY PLANNED
FORMATION EVENTS**

**WHO: ALL YOUTH IN GRADES 8-12
ARE INVITED TO JOIN US!**

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from 1-4pm
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Lancaster**



**Join us adults as we relive
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**Cost is:
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**We will eat lunch together,
and if we're lucky, all knee
cartilage will remain intact!**



WELCOME

Welcome to St. John's Episcopal Church. We are glad you are here. Please tell us a little bit about yourself by clicking the QR Code or by filling out a pew card and placing it in the offertory plate.

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