

SAINT PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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JANUARY 7, 2024— 10:30 A.M.



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

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

Welcome to worship at St. Peter's Episcopal Church!

We are glad that you are here.

Prayer for Our Clergy Search

Almighty God, you know the needs of your Church in every place: Look graciously upon us and grant us the guidance of your Holy Spirit as we seek a new priest for this parish. Give us discernment, wisdom, and confidence in your timing. Guide the members of our Vestry, as they labor to be faithful in seeking your will. We pray for the life of our parish that we may continue in our mission to proclaim not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Christ's sake. Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

Please stand and join in singing the hymn.

OPENING HYMN: "On Jordan's Bank" (Hymn 76)

1 On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry an -
2 Then cleansed be ev - ery breast from sin; make
3 For thou art our sal - va - tion, Lord, our
4 To heal the sick stretch out thine hand, and
5 All praise, e - ter - nal Son, to thee, whose

1 noun - ces that the Lord is nigh; a - wake and heark - en,
 2 straight the way for God with - in, and let each heart pre -
 3 ref - uge, and our great re - ward; with - out thy grace we
 4 bid the fall - en sin - ner stand; shine forth, and let thy
 5 ad - vent doth thy peo - ple free; whom with the Fa - ther

1 for he brings glad tid - ings of the King of kings.
 2 pare a home where such a might - y guest may come.
 3 waste a - way like flowers that with - er and de - cay.
 4 light re - store earth's own true love - li - ness once more.
 5 we a - dore and Ho - ly Spi - rit ev - er - more.

Words: Charles Coffin (1676-1749); tr. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944),
 after John Chandler (1806-1876); alt.

Music: *Winchester New*, melody from *Musicalishes Hand-Buch*, 1690;
 harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889), alt.

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THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Priest 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.**

THE GLORIA (S-278)

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.

Setting: William Mathias (b. 1934)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 357

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest 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 (Genesis 1:1-5)

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please join the choir in chanting the psalm

THE PSALM (Psalm 29)

BCP 620

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 19:1-7)

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord

Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied – altogether there were about twelve of them.


Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.


SEQUENCE HYMN: “Descend, O Spirit” (Hymn 297)



1 De - scend, O Spi - rit, purg - ing flame, brand
2 For - bid us not this sec - ond birth; grant



us this day with Je - sus' Name! Con - firm our faith, con -
un - to us the great - er worth! En - list us in your



sume our doubt; sign us as Christ's, with - in, with - out.
ser - vice, Lord; bap - tize all na - tions with your Word.

Words: Scott Francis Brenner (b. 1903), alt.

Music: *Erhalt uns, Herr*, melody from *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543

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THE GOSPEL (Mark 1:4-11)

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Very Rev. John H. Bonner III

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Priest Let us renew our own baptismal covenant. Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Priest 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.**

Priest 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.**

Priest Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?
People **I will, with God's help.**

Priest 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.**

Priest Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
People **I will, with God's help.**

Priest Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People **I will, with God's help.**

Priest 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.**

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (*The people stand or kneel.*)

Intercessor Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People That we all may be one.

Intercessor Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Intercessor We pray for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Brian, our Bishop; and for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Intercessor We pray for Joe, our President; the Congress and the Supreme Court; for Bill, our Governor; and Tim and Weston, our Mayors. We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Intercessor Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People That our works may find favor in your sight.

Intercessor We pray for the poor and the homeless. We pray for the sick, especially those on our parish prayer list. Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People That they may be delivered from their distress.

Intercessor We remember those who have died, especially **Bob Hoover and Jean Waldorff**. Give to the departed eternal rest;

People Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Intercessor We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Intercessor Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The Priest adds a concluding Collect.

Deacon 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.**

Priest 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

BCP 360

Please stand and greet one another..

Priest The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

As the Eucharistic table is set, the ushers collect offerings from the congregation.

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OFFERTORY MUSIC

OFFERTORY HYMN: "All Praise to You, O Lord" (Hymn 138)

1 All praise to you, O Lord, who by your might-y power did
2 You speak, and it is done; o - be - dient to your word, the
3 Oh, may this grace be ours: in you al - ways to live and
4 So, led from strength to strength, grant us, O Lord, to see the

man - i - fest your glo - ry forth in Ca - na's mar-riage hour.
wa - ter red - dening in - to wine pro - claims the pres-ent Lord.
drink of those re - fresh - ing streams which you a - lone can give.
mar - riage sup - per of the Lamb, the great e - piph - a - ny.

Words: Hyde W. Beadon (1812-1891), alt.

Music: *Carlisle*, Charles Lockhart (1745-1815)

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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Sursum Corda

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

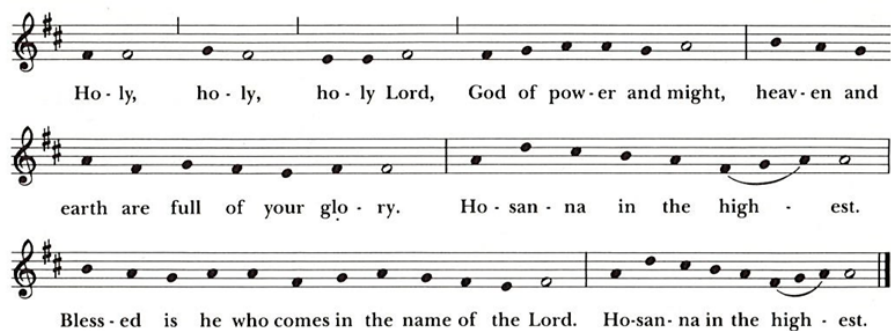
People We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Priest 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 (S124)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, heav - en and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

Priest (*The people stand or kneel.*) 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."

The Memorial Acclamation

Priest Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Priest 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 the blessed Virgin Mary, St. Peter, 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.**

Priest And now, as our Savior Christ has 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

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

Priest Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

Agnus Dei (S161)

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

Priest The Gifts of God for the People of God.


All baptized Christians, regardless of age or denomination, are invited to receive the bread and wine.

Come up the center aisle to receive the Eucharist at the altar rail. Return to your pew using the side aisle.

If you prefer to receive a blessing, please let the clergy know by crossing your arms in front of you at the altar. The chalice will be offered to all. If you prefer not to receive, you may choose to reverently acknowledge the presence of Christ in the wine, while the minister says,

COMMUNION HYMN: "What Wondrous Love Is This" (Hymn 439)

Unison



1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
2 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to
3 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and

won-drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this that
God and to the Lamb, I will sing. To God and to the Lamb who
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on. And when from death I'm free I'll

caused the Lord of bliss to lay a - side his crown for my
is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will
sing and joy - ful be, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing

soul, for my soul, to lay a - side his crown for my soul.
sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme I will sing.
on, I'll sing on, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

Words: American folk hymn, ca. 1835
Music: *Wondrous Love*, from *The Southern Harmony*, 1835

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POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

All 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 EPIPHANY BLESSING

May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also, in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord. **Amen.**

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the Onlybegotten at his baptism in the Jordan River, pour out that Spirit on you who have come to the waters of new birth. **Amen.**

May God, by the power that turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana, transform your lives and make glad your hearts. **Amen.**

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: "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise" (Hymn 135)

1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to thee we raise,
 2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Pro - phet, Priest, and King su - preme;
 3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;
 4 Man - i - fest on moun - tain height, shin - ing in re - splen - dent light,

man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far;
 and at Ca - na, wed - ding - guest, in thy God - head man - i - fest;
 man - i - fest in val - iant fight, quell - ing all the dev - il's might;
 where dis - ci - ples filled with awe thy trans - fi - gured glo - ry saw.

branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem;
 man - i - fest in power di - vine, chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
 man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring - ing good from ill;
 When from there thou led - dest them stead - fast to Je - ru - sa - lem,

an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
 an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
 an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
 cross and Eas - ter Day at - test God in man made man - i - fest.

Words: Sts. 1-3, Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885); st. 4, F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984)
 Music: *Salzburg*, melody Jakob Hintze (1622-1702); harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

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THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

Lectors: Bob Gary (OT), Kevin Huston (NT)

Intercessor: Laura Burgess; **Livestream / Audio:** John Trieber

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Chip & Rena Stansbury

Acolytes: Riley Davis, Lucy Davis, Sterling Porter

Ushers: Fonda Harwell, Aaron Wells; **Healing Altar:** Bobbie Suttles

We pray for the healing and comfort of:

Alicia, Betty Lamance, Betty Thompson, Bill Kazmier, Bryson Tidwell, Cynthia Millwood, Dianne Stone, Dixie Warren, Donie, Eddie Rodgers, Emmalea Rogers, Ernestine Rogers, Garnet Johnston, Gene Vredeveld, Gerald Motley, Jack Rudez, Jaye Harris, Jimmy McDaniel, John Giles, John Hickman, Julie Suttles Saunders, Karin Gilstrap, Kelly Snyder, Kevin Blasbery, Leon Ellis, Maggie Williams, Mark Northern, Mary Cook, Matt Klinger, Pete Cooper, Richard Rogers, Robert Carnes, Satedra Smith, Sawyer Burch, Suzy Marland, Terrell Williams, Terry Arnold, Tony D, Vicki Neff

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