



St Mark's
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

love is our tradition

**The First Sunday After the Epiphany
The Baptism of Our Lord
January 12, 2025 Rite 2 Year C**

Thank you for joining us in worship.
We are glad you are here.

Please let us know what questions you might have
And if you would like to be on our mailing list.

**We Love
God**

St. Mark's is a community of people who believe in the power of God's love as expressed through God's son, Jesus Christ.

**We Love
Each Other**

Our love for God compels us to love and welcome others with open arms regardless of age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or social status.

**We Love
Our Community**

Our love for God compels us to serve our community by being active in service to those in need.

**We Love
Our Faith**

We celebrate our God, for each other and for our community through Episcopal worship that keeps us grounded in our faith.

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***Epiphany** is a season to remember the mission of the church, to proclaim the gospel, to trust in God, and to live as if God's reign has come, in spite of all evidence to the contrary. Epiphany is an invitation to go on a journey we cannot order or control, following in a way we cannot fully comprehend and the world deems foolish and irresponsible.*

---John Westerhoff

Basic Liturgics

Liturgy: "Liturgy" comes from the Greek word *leitourgia*, which literally means "work of the people." It was used to refer to a public work done at private expense and could be used to classify projects like a privately-financed bridge that was being built for the use of a whole town. The public libraries built by Andrew Carnegie could also be considered a *leitourgia*. In church usage, **liturgy** is the act of worship that we do on behalf of ourselves, the wider Church, and the world.

Eucharist: The word Eucharist comes from the Greek word *eucharistia*, which means "thanksgiving." For this reason the Prayer Book also calls the Eucharistic Prayer by the label "The Great Thanksgiving." The service of Holy Communion is our great act of thanksgiving to God.

The Structure of the Eucharistic Liturgy:

The Eucharistic Liturgy is divided into two main parts:

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| (1) The Liturgy of the Word | (2) The Holy Communion or The Liturgy of the Table |
| - The Gathering Rite | - The Offertory |
| - The Lessons & Sermon | - The Eucharistic Prayer |
| - The Creed | - The Lord's Prayer |
| - The Intercessions and Confession | - The Fraction or The Breaking of the Bread |
| - The Peace | - Holy Communion |
| | - The Post-Communion Prayer |
| | - Blessing and Dismissal |

Terms for Those Who Help With Worship:

Celebrant, Presider, Officiant: A priest, bishop, or deacon who presides at the liturgy.

Deacon: A person ordained to the diaconate can help with reading the gospel, leading the Prayers of the People, leading the Confession, setting the Altar at Offertory, distributing Communion, cleaning up after Communion, or the Dismissal.

Crucifer: Someone who carries the processional cross.

Acolyte: Literally this means "torch-bearer."

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Lay people who have been authorized by the Bishop and the Rector to help distribute Communion, usually by being *chalice-bearers*.

Book-bearer: The person who carries the Gospel Book in procession and holds it during the Gospel Reading.

Preacher: A person who gives a sermon or homily.

Lector: A person who reads a lesson from the Bible.

Intercessor: A person who leads the Prayers of the People.

Oblation-bearers: Those who bring up the gifts of bread and wine at Offertory.

Usbers: Those who help people find their seat and the bulletin, who collect the offering and present it, and who help direct people during Communion.

Greeters: Those who, after the Dismissal, welcome new people and invite them to coffee and social time.

Altar Guild: The team of people who help prepare the Altar area and are responsible for cleaning the vessels and linens.

Floral Guild: Those who create the floral arrangements for worship.

Preparing for Worship

In today's hectic world, it is good to have time for silence. Take time to sit quietly and open yourself through silent prayer, meditation, or reading over the bulletin.

Holy Eucharist-Rite Two

The Word of God or The Liturgy of the Word

A Word of Welcome

(Please stand as you are able)

Hymn 135

Songs of thankfulness and praise

Salzburg



1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Jes - us, 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.



The Lectern

The lectern is the stand from which the Hebrew Scripture (First or Old Testament), the Psalm, and the Epistle (New or Second Testament) are read. It is a visible expression of the significance of Holy Scripture to the life of the church. In colonial churches, the lectern was often incorporated as the middle level of a multi-tiered pulpit.

Opening Acclamation

Presider: Blessed be God: Father, Son, Holy Spirit.

All: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Presider: There is one Body and one Spirit;

All: There is one hope in God's call to us;

Presider: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

All: One God and Father of all.

The Collect of the Day

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

Presider: 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.**

(Please be seated)

The Lessons

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

Isaiah 43:1-7

Jane Elbert

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.

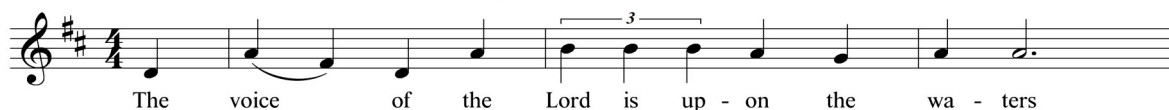
For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life.

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."

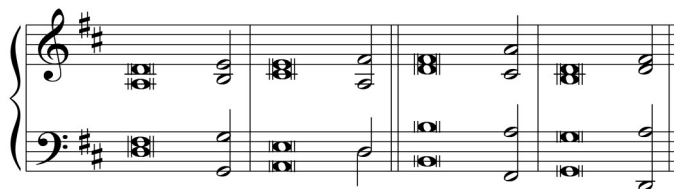
Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.

All: Thanks be to God.

Refrain - sung by Choir and Congregation



Psalm tone - chanted by Choir and Congregation



Ascribe to the Lord, you gods,
 ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
 Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name;
 worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders;
 the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
 The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice;
 the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.

REFRAIN

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees;
 the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf,
 and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

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.
 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe
 and strips the forests bare.

And in the temple of the Lord
 all are crying, "Glory!"
 The Lord sits enthroned above the flood;
 the Lord sits enthroned as King for ever-more.

The Lord shall give strength to his people;
 the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

REFRAIN

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.

Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.

All: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able)

Hymn 121

Christ, when for us you were baptized

Caithness

1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spi - rit on you came,
2 God called you his be - lov - ed Son, called you his ser - vant true,
3 Straight - way and stead - fast un - til death you then o - beyed his call
4 Bap - tize us with your Spi - rit, Lord, your cross on us be signed,

as peace - ful as a dove and yet as ur - gent as a flame.
sent you his king - dom to pro - claim, his ho - ly will to do.
free - ly as Son of Man to serve and give your life for all.
that, like - wise in God's ser - vice we may per - fect free - dom find.



The Pulpit

The pulpit is reserved for the sermon suggesting the important role of reflecting on scripture. The canopy is designed to reflect sound and comes from the time when that was the means of amplification to the congregation.

The Gospel

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Luke
All: 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.
All: Praise to you Lord Christ.

Children ages 4-11 are invited to join Malinda for Children's Worship.

(Please be seated)

The Sermon

The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett



The Baptismal Font

Through the sacrament of baptism we become members of Christ's family – the church. The presence of the baptismal font in the church is a reminder of our own baptism and the commitments that we made or that were made on our behalf.

(Please remain seated)

Holy Baptism

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

Presider: The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Sponsor: I present Feild Dalton Brown-Pennington to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Sponsor: I present Nicholas Valmer Roberts to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Presider: Do you desire to be baptized?

Candidates: I do.

Then the Presider asks the following questions of the candidates

Presider: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Candidates: I renounce them.

Presider: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Candidates: I renounce them.

Presider: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Candidates: I renounce them.

Presider: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Candidates: I do.

Presider: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Candidates: I do.

Presider: Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Candidates: I do.

The Presider addresses the congregation, saying

Presider: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Feild and Nicholas in their lives in Christ?

***Congregation:* We will.**

Presider: Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

(Please stand as you are able)

The Baptismal Covenant

Presider: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

***All:* 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?

***All:* 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?

***All:* 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?

***All:* I will, with God's help.**

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

***All:* I will, with God's help.**

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

***All:* 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?

***All:* I will, with God's help.**

Prayers for the Candidate

Karen Hardison

Presider: Let us now pray for Feild and Nicholas who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Intervessor: Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intervessor: Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intervessor: Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intervessor: Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intervessor: Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intervessor: Send them into the world in witness to your love.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intervessor: Bring them, to the fullness of your peace and glory.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Presider: Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **AMEN.**

(Please be seated)

Thanksgiving Over the Water

The Presider blesses the water, saying

Presider: The Lord be with you.

***All:* And also with you.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***All:* It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider: We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Presider touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Baptism

The candidate is presented by name to the Presider, or to an assisting priest or deacon, who then immerses, or pours water upon, the candidate, saying

Presider: Feild Dalton, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **AMEN.**

Then the Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross [using Chrism if desired] and saying

Feild Dalton, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **AMEN.**

Presider: Nicholas Valmer, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **AMEN.**

Nicholas Valmer, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **AMEN.**

Presider: Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **AMEN.**

Presider: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

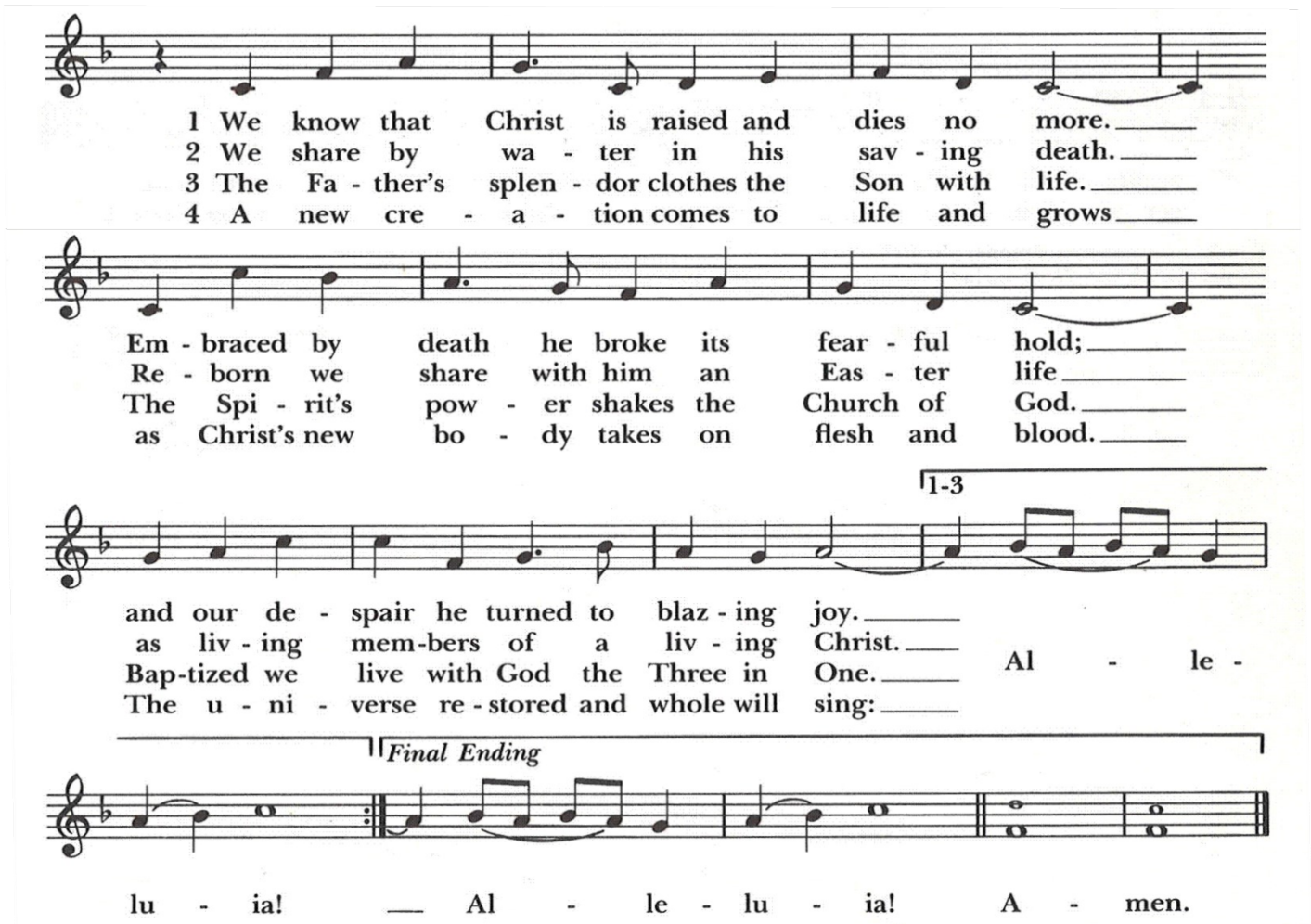
All: We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

Sprinkling of Congregation (*a reminder of our own baptism*)

Hymn 296 (Blue Book)

We know that Christ is raised

Engelberg



1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more. _____
2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death. _____
3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life. _____
4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows _____

Em - braced by death he broke its fear - ful hold; _____
Re - born we share with him an Eas - ter life _____
The Spi - rit's pow - er shakes the Church of God. _____
as Christ's new bo - dy takes on flesh and blood. _____

and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy. _____
as liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ. _____
Bap - tized we live with God the Three in One. _____ Al - le -
The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing: _____

Final Ending

lu - ia! — Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

The Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

(*All greet one another in the name of the Lord.*) (*Please be seated*)

Announcements and News of the Church Community

The Holy Communion or The Liturgy of the Table



SCAN to DONATE

Invitation to Holy Communion

(Remain seated)

Offertory

Of the Father's heart begotten

Text: Prudentius Aurelius Clemens (384-c.410)

Music: DIVINUM MYSTERIUM, setting by David Willcocks

Of the Father's heart begotten, ere the world from chaos rose, He is Alpha, from that Fountain all that is and hath been flows; He is Omega, of all things, yet to come the mystic Close, evermore and evermore.

By His word was all created; He commanded and 'twas done; earth and sky and boundless ocean, universe of three in one, all that sees the moon's soft radiance, all that breathes beneath the sun, evermore and evermore.

He assumed this mortal body, frail and feeble, doomed to die, that the race from dust created might not perish utterly, which the dreadful Law had sentenced in the depths of hell to lie, evermore and evermore.

O how blest that wondrous birthday, when the Maid the curse retrieved, brought to birth mankind's salvation by the Holy Ghost conceived, and the Babe, the world's Redeemer in her loving arms received, evermore and evermore.

This is He, whom seer and sibyl sang in ages long gone by; this is He of old revealed in the page of prophecy; lo! He comes the promised Saviour; let the world His praises cry! Evermore and evermore.

(Please stand as you are able)

The congregation joins for stanza six:

Sing, ye heights of heav'n, his prais - es; An - gles and Arch - an - gels
sing! Where - so - e're ye be, ye faith - ful, Let your
joy - ful an - thems ring, Ev - 'ry tongue his name con - fess - ing,
Count - less voi - ces an - swer - ing; Ev - er - more and ev - er - more. _____



The Altar or Holy Table

The altar is a table, usually in the sanctuary which is the space that is generally behind the altar rail, on which the bread and wine used for the eucharist (or Holy Communion or the Lord's Supper) service are consecrated.

(Please stand as you are able)

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your beloved children, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth. 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

Powell

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and

might, hea - ven 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._____



The Communion Vessels

The Eucharist (from the Greek meaning Thanksgiving), or Holy Communion, is a sacrament at the center of Episcopal worship. A sacrament is “an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace” in the words of *The Book of Common Prayer*. The vessels used are a chalice for wine, a paten for bread (or “host”), and a flagon for additional wine. They are placed on a square white linen cloth called the corporal.

(Please stand as you are able)

Presider: 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 Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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.”

Therefore, according to his command, O Father, **We remember Christ’s death, We proclaim Christ’s resurrection, We await Christ’s coming in glory;**

Presider: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior 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 in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, 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 [_____and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

Presider: 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,
forever and ever. AMEN.

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us,

All: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Fraction Anthem, Agnus Dei

Powell

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.

Presider: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The Holy Communion: *ALL are welcome to share in Communion.*

Holy Communion

Come forward as the ushers direct you. When you arrive at the front you may put out your hands to receive the bread/wafer. You may then either consume it, dip it lightly into the chalice, or take a sip of wine from the chalice. If you prefer a blessing only - cross your arms across your chest.

If you have any mobility concerns please alert the usher
and the clergy will bring communion to you.

Communion Hymn 304

I come with joy to meet my Lord

Land of Rest

Unison or harmony

1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to
3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each
4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll

1 giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der
2 find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni -
3 proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us
4 pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship
5 go our dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple

1 to re - call his life laid down for me.
2 ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.
3 makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.
4 bet - ter known: we see, and praise him here.
5 in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

Post Communion Prayer

Presider: Let us pray.

All: Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of 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 Savior. AMEN.

The Blessing

Hymn

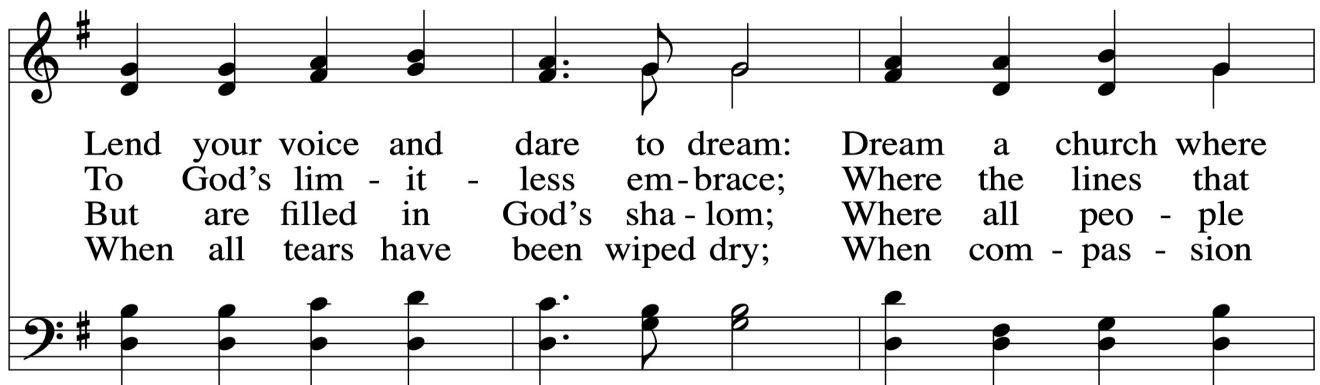
Sing a new world into being



1. Sing a new world in - to be - ing. Sound a bold and
2. Sing a new world in - to be - ing Where each gen - der,
3. Sing a new world in - to be - ing Where the home - less
4. Sing a new world in - to be - ing. Join the an - cient



hope - ful theme. Find a tune for si - lent yearn - ings.
class, and race Brings its rain - bow gifts and col - ors
find a home, Where no chil - dren ev - er hun - ger
proph - ets' cry For a time of health and plen - ty



Lend your voice and dare to dream: Dream a church where
To God's lim - it - less em - brace; Where the lines that
But are filled in God's sha - lom; Where all peo - ple
When all tears have been wiped dry; When com - pas - sion

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Hymn

Sing a new world into being

all who wor - ship Find their lives and loves be - long.
 once di - vid - ed Form in - stead the ties that bind.
 work for jus - tice, Where all hate and venge - ance cease.
 flows like wa - ters, Pour - ing balm for all who grieve.

Sing a new world in - to be - ing.
 Sing a new world in - to be - ing:
 Sing a new world in - to be - ing:
 Sing a new world in - to be - ing:

Sing as Christ in - spires your song!
 Risk trans - form - ing heart and mind!
 Raise the har - mo - nies of peace.
 Live the prom - ise you be - lieve!

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Tune: HYMN TO JOY, 8 7 8 7 D; arr. from Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770–1827, by Edward Hodges, 1796–1867

The Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, and one another.

All: Thanks be to God.

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*The Altar Flowers are Given to the Glory of God
In Celebration of the Baptism of
Feild Dalton Brown-Pennington.*

*By Scott Pennington, Michael Solberg,
Mary Mock (Nana), and Ronnie Pennington (Papa).*

*Flowers are also Given to the Glory of God
In Celebration of the Baptism of Nick Roberts.*

By your St Mark's Family



The Ambry

The ambry is a cupboard located in the St. Mary Chapel which is at the right of the narthex (front entry of the church). It is used for reserving the consecrated hosts for communion in home or hospital visits for those who cannot attend Sunday worship and, in some Anglican Churches, to store the oil of chrism used for anointing. A light burns near it to indicate that it contains the sacrament.

Please Remember in Your Prayers This Week:

Parishioners: Meredith Franklin, the Tucker family, Jerry Long, Kenneth Decker, Garry Land, Bobbie Aiken, Jo Tyler, Mike Craft, Keith MacKay, Betty Leviner, Lisette Johnson, Becky Lee, Steve Row, Margaret Franklin, Phyllis Iverson, Juetta Iverson, Marsha Iverson, David Christiana, Samantha Ridley, and Bill Piercy.

Our extended family and friends: Debbie Abernathy, Jeffrey Matthews, Sandra Painter, Frank Eberly and family, the Owen Family, Ron, Pam, Jodi, Laurence, Sarah Grace, Duncan, Will, and the McDuff Family, John Golden III, Kathy, Suzanne, Cynthia, Barbara Taylor, Jane, Corey Sims, Karen Sokohl, Kathy Treaster, Florence, Edward, Stefan, Olivia, Michelle, Becca and her family, Don Foltz, Norma Hylton, Betty Kuhn, Vickie and her mom, Thorp, Fraser and the boys, Lyle, Candace Franco, Lee Hyden (Anne Kambourian's daughter), the Dummitt family, the Downey family, Elizabeth and David Hardison, Ginny Jones, Ronnie, Nicholas, the Sonant family, Gloria Wiley, Amy Burks, Kristy Rose, Martha, Randi Smith, Marion Broome, and Hollis Daniels.

Those who have died:

Those celebrating birthdays: especially Becky Lee, Carlos Savory, James Cutro, Gaye Frugard, and Mary Townley.

Those celebrating anniversaries:

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Pray for the congregation and clergy of Christ Church, Luray.

Metro Richmond Cycle of Prayer: We pray to overcome in Christ's name the heritage of racism: For the elimination of discrimination in housing, policing, education, employment, transportation, and churches in Metropolitan Richmond.

Please inform the office of any changes to the prayer list.

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Diverse, Urban, Eucharist Centered, Service-Oriented

Thank you for joining us.

Please let us know how we may encourage you to serve the Lord with us by filling out the “Welcome” card found in the rack in front of you and placing it in the Offering Plate.

You may also speak to any clergy or greeters following the worship service.

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