



St. Francis
Episcopal Church

THE SECOND SUNDAY
AFTER EPIPHANY
JANUARY 15, 2023

BAPTISM: RITE II
10:00 AM



Welcome to St. Francis Episcopal Church. We are glad to have you with us today as we worship and invite you to participate throughout the service. May God bless you this and every day.

St. Francis Sunday Schedule:

Nursery: *Infants to 3 years* - 9:45am in the Nursery

Inspired - The Bible as a Story: *Adults* - 9:10am in the Red Room

Children's Chapel: *Children* - During the 10:00am Service in the Children's Chapel

A Dangerous Dozen: *Adults* - 11:15am in the Red Room

EYC: *Youth* - 11:15am in St. Mike's House

Jr. Choir: *3rd to 12th Graders* - 4:15pm-4:45pm in the Choir Room

Youth Handbells: *3rd to 12th Graders* - 4:45pm-5:30pm in the Choir Room

Please check the calendar for updated information.

PRELUDE

Benita McFarland, organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand, sung by all.

OPENING HYMN: *Christ, whose glory fills the skies*

Hymnal 7



1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ, the true, the on - ly Light,
2 Dark and cheer-less is the morn un - ac - com - pan - ied by thee;
3 Vis - it then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!



Sun of Right-eous - ness, a - rise! Tri-umph o'er the shades of night:
joy-less is the day's re - turn, till thy mer - cy's beams I see,
Fill me, ra - dian - cy di - vine; scat - ter all my un - be - lief;



Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap - pear.
till they in - ward light im - part, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the per - fect day.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: *Ratisbon*, melody from *Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn*, 1524; adapt. att. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870); harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870), alt.

Please remain standing.

THE WORD OF GOD

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

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant: There is one Body and one Spirit;

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

Celebrant: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People: One God and Father of all.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 49:1-7

A reading from the Book of the prophet Isaiah:

Listen to me, O coastlands,
pay attention, you peoples from far away!

The Lord called me before I was born,
while I was in my mother's womb he named me.

He made my mouth like a sharp sword,
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;

he made me a polished arrow,
in his quiver he hid me away.

And he said to me, "You are my servant,
Israel, in whom I will be glorified."

But I said, "I have labored in vain,
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;
yet surely my cause is with the Lord,
and my reward with my God."

And now the Lord says,
who formed me in the womb to be his servant,
to bring Jacob back to him,
and that Israel might be gathered to him,
for I am honored in the sight of the Lord,
and my God has become my strength--
he says,

"It is too light a thing that you should be my servant
to raise up the tribes of Jacob
and to restore the survivors of Israel;

I will give you as a light to the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

Thus says the Lord,
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,
the slave of rulers,
“Kings shall see and stand up,
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,
because of the Lord, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

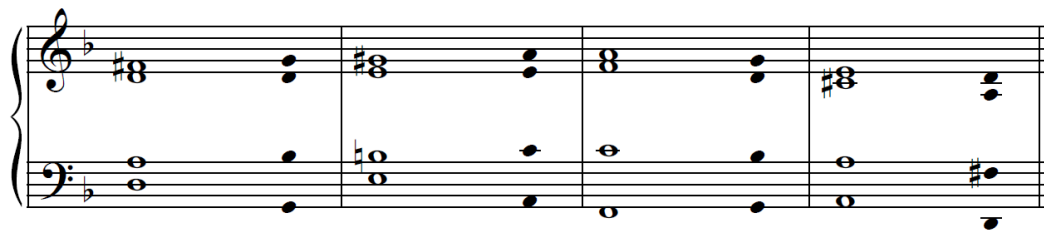
Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sung by all

PSALM 40:1-12

Anglican Chant, Sam Doyle



- 1 I waited patiently upon the / LORD; *
he stooped to me and heard my / cry.
- 2 He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and / clay; *
he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing / sure.
- 3 He put a new song in my mouth,
a song of praise to our / God; *
many shall see, and stand in awe,
and put their trust in the / LORD.
- 4 Happy are they who trust in the / LORD! *
they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to / false gods.
- 5 Great things are they that you have done, O LORD my God!
how great your wonders and your plans / for us! *
there is none who can be compared with / you.
- 6 Oh, that I could make them known and / tell them! *
but they are more than I can / count.
- 7 In sacrifice and offering you take no / pleasure *
(you have given me ears to / hear you);
- 8 Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not re- / quired, *
and so I said, "Behold, I / come.
- 9 In the roll of the book it is written con- / cerning me: *
'I love to do your will, O my God;
your law is deep in my / heart.'
- 10 I proclaimed righteousness in the great congre- / gation; *
behold, I did not restrain my lips;
and that, O LORD, you / know.

- 11 Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your de- / liverance; *
I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the
great congre- / gation.
- 12 You are the LORD;
do not withhold your compassion / from me; *
let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for / ever.

THE SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

A reading from the first Letter of Paul to the Corinthians:

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

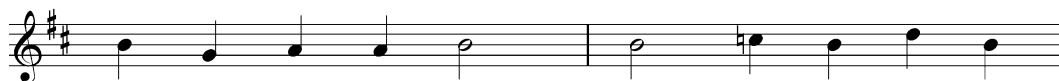
People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand, sung by all.

GRADUAL HYMN: *When Christ's appearing was made known* Hymnal 132



- 1 When Christ's ap - pear - ing was made known, King He - rod
2 The east - ern sa - ges saw from far and fol - lowed
3 With - in the Jor - dan's sa - cred flood the heav - en - ly
4 Oh, what a mir - a - cle di - vine, when wa - ter
5 All glo - ry, Je - sus, be to thee for this thy



- 1 trem - bled for his throne; but he who of - fers
2 on his guid - ing star; by light their way to
3 Lamb in meek - ness stood, that he, to whom no
4 red - dened in - to wine! He spoke the word, and
5 glad e - piph - a - ny: whom with the Fa - ther



- 1 heaven - ly birth sought not the king - doms of this earth.
2 Light they trod, and by their gifts con - fessed their God.
3 sin was known, might cleanse his peo - ple from their own.
4 forth it flowed in streams that na - ture ne'er be - stowed.
5 we a - dore and Ho - ly Ghost for ev - er - more.

Words: Caelius Sedulius (5th cent.); st.1, tr. *The Hymnbook of the Anglican Church of Canada and the United Church of Canada*, 1971; sts. 2-5, tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt. Reprinted from *The Hymn Book of the Anglican Church of Canada and the United Church of Canada*. Used by permission. Music: *Erhalt uns, Herr*, melody from *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543; harm. Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612).

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 1:29-42

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

The Very Rev. Milton C. Williams, Jr.

Please remain seated, sung by all.

BAPTISMAL HYMN LEVAS II 134

Take Me to the Water

1. Take me to the wa - ter, take me to the
2. None but the right - eous, none but the
3. I love Je - sus, I love
4. He's my Sav - ior, He's my

1. wa - ter, take me to the wa -
2. right - eous, none but the right -
3. Je - sus, I love Je -
4. Sav - ior, He's my Sav -

1. ter to be bap - tized.
2. eous shall see God.
3. sus, oh yes, I do.
4. ior, oh yes, He is.

THOSE BEING BAPTIZED:

Shawn Kyle Keating

James Wells Keating

Grace Ann Hart Keating

PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES FOR BAPTISM

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

Sponsors: I present Shawn Kyle to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Celebrant: Do you desire to be baptized?

Candidate: I do.

Sponsors: I present James Wells to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Sponsors: I present Grace Ann Hart to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Celebrant: Will you be responsible for seeing that the children you present are brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Sponsors: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you by your prayers and witness help these children to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Sponsors: I will, with God's help.

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

Sponsors: I renounce them.

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

Sponsors: I renounce them.

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

Sponsors: I renounce them.

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

Sponsors: I do.

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

Sponsors: I do.

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

Sponsors: I do.

Please stand.

Celebrant: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People: We will.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Celebrant: Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and 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.

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: 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.

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

People: I will, with God's help.

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

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: 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.

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

Celebrant: Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

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

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Cantor: Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

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

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

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

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

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

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

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

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

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

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

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

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: 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.

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.**

Please be seated.

Celebrant: (Shawn Kyle, James Wells, Grace Ann Hart), I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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.**

(Shawn Kyle, James Wells, Grace Ann Hart), you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen.**

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.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Behold the Lamb of God

From Messiah
Handel

Behold the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world.

Please stand.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A

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Celebrant *People*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Sung by all.

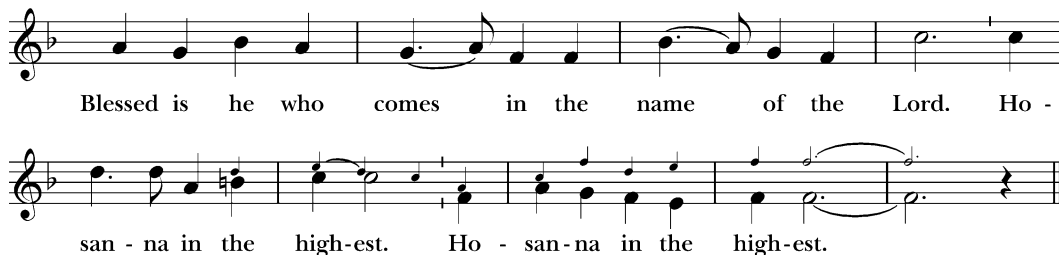
SANCTUS

Hymnal S125

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

heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



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Please kneel.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A CONTINUES

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Celebrant: ...Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant: ... 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.

People: AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP p364

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

FRACTION

Hymnal S171

Sung by all.

This setting is not used in Lent.

Antiphon: Cantor; then All



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia,



is the com - mun - ion of the bo - dy of Christ. [Ant.]



2. One bo - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia,



for though man - y we share one bread. [Ant.]

Music: Mode 6 melody; adapt. Mason Martens (1933-1991). Copyright © 1971 Mason Martens.

THE PEACE

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant: 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.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. To receive bread only, place one palm of the hand in the other and the priest will offer the Body of Christ to you. If you would like to receive bread and wine keep your hands by your side, and the clergy will intinct the body into the wine and place the body and blood on your tongue. To receive a blessing in lieu of communion, cross your arms over your chest and the clergy will give you a blessing.

Please be seated.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

Benita McFarland, organ

Please stand.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant: May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen. **Amen.**

Please stand, sung by all.

CLOSING HYMN: *Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim*

Hymnal 535

1 Ye ser - vants of God, your Mas - ter pro - claim,
2 God rul - eth on high, al - might - y to save;
3 Sal - va - tion to God who sits on the throne!
4 Then let us a - dore, and give him his right:

and pub - lish a - broad his won - der - ful Name;
and still he is nigh: his pres - ence we have.
Let all cry a - loud, and hon - or the Son.
All glo - ry and power, all wis - dom and might,

the Name all - vic - to - rious of Je - sus ex - tol:
The great con - gre - ga - tion his tri - umph shall sing,
The prais - es of Je - sus the an - gels pro - claim,
and hon - or and bless - ing, with an - gels a - bove,

his king - dom is glo - rious; he rules o - ver all.
as - crib - ing sal - va - tion to Je - sus our King.
fall down on their fa - ces, and wor - ship the Lamb.
and thanks nev - er - ceas - ing and in - fi - nite love.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: *Paderborn*, melody from *Catolisch-Paderbornisches Gesang-buch*, 1765; harm. Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947).

THE DISMISSAL

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

People: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Benita McFarland, organ

ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers in the church are given to the glory of God and in remembrance and celebration of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

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