

# The Second Sunday After Epiphany



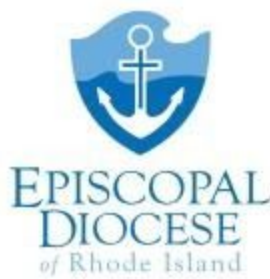
Holy Eucharist  
January 17, 2021 10:30 am

## **WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

Our mission is to be a community of Christian worship, well-being and service.

We hope you will experience God's own welcome in this place and through  
our online ministry.

Worship and join us online at [www.smcportsmouth.org](http://www.smcportsmouth.org)  
or find us on Facebook@smcportsmouth.



### **Covenant for Regathering**

I promise, to the best of my ability with God's help, to abide by the guidelines of the Diocese of Rhode Island and St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Portsmouth, for participation in church as we regather during the COVID-19 pandemic.

In fulfillment of the Baptismal Covenant (BCP p. 304-305), I will strive to:

#### **Love my neighbor as myself, I will...**

- Wear a mask or scarf over my nose and mouth at all times in church buildings, except momentarily to receive the sacrament or lead worship by an assigned speaking part, and follow public health guidelines for hand sanitizing and disinfecting.
- Only attend worship if I am non-symptomatic for the COVID-19 virus or any other transmittable disease that could compromise the health of another person also attending.
- Abstain from attending if doing so would put me at greater risk due to my own health status.

#### **Respect the dignity of every human being, I will...**

- Make no physical contact with people beyond the members of my own household. ▪ Maintain a six foot or more distance from other members of the congregation.
- Respect any requests for distance, masking, cleaning, and disinfecting to ensure the safety and comfort level of others.

#### **Seek and serve Christ in all people...**

- Support the decisions of my diocesan and congregational leaders.
- Stay connected with others in my community by telephone, video chat, mail, or other means

This is our expectation for all those who wish to worship with us in person. By participating in our worship, you assume responsibility for following the above.

## Gathering

### Welcome and Announcements

*All may stand at the ringing of the church bell.*

**Processional Hymn:** Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies

Hymnal 1982 #7

### Opening Acclamation

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

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

**Song of Praise:** Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

Hymnal 1982 #135

## The Word of God

### 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.**

*The people may be seated.*

**First Reading:** 1 Samuel 3:1-10(11-20)

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie

down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." [Then the Lord said to Samuel, "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever."]

Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the Lord. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." He said, "Here I am." Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, "It is the Lord; let him do what seems good to him."

As Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the Lord.]

<i>Reader</i>	The Word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>

### **Psalms 139**

**Lord, you have searched me out and known me; \*  
you know my sitting down and my rising up;  
you discern my thoughts from afar.  
You trace my journeys and my resting-places \*  
and are acquainted with all my ways.**

**Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, \*  
but you, O Lord, know it altogether.  
You press upon me behind and before \*  
and lay your hand upon me.  
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; \*  
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.**

For you yourself created my inmost parts; \*  
you knit me together in my mother's womb.  
I will thank you because I am marvelously made; \*  
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.

My body was not hidden from you, \*  
while I was being made in secret  
and woven in the depths of the earth.  
Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;  
all of them were written in your book; \*  
they were fashioned day by day,  
when as yet there was none of them.

How deep I find your thoughts, O God! \*  
how great is the sum of them!  
If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; \*  
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

"All things are lawful for me," but not all things are beneficial. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food," and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, "The two shall be one flesh." But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

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

*All may stand for the Gospel Procession*

**Gospel Procession:** Alle, Alle, Alle

Angotti

**Holy Gospel: John 1:43-51**

*Gospeller*      The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John  
*People*          **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

*Gospeller*      The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*          **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

**Sermon**

The Rev. Jennifer Pedrick

*All may stand for the Nicene Creed.*

### **The Nicene Creed**

**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. 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**

Let us pray for the Church, for our nation 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.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Help us to stay curious and engaged as you are revealing the truth of your mercy and love. In this season of transition and revelation help us to see, hear, and know how you are present. Keep us active in the pursuit of justice and peace. Help us to follow Jesus, loving all our neighbors, changing our minds, our hearts, our nation and accepting God's grace as we are freed from our sins.

Silence

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. Keep us grateful for the gifts that sustain and delight us, and mindful of their source.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for our government, for essential workers, for scientists and all those in the medical profession. We pray for all educators and parents. May all leaders and workers be blessed with strength and skill for the healing of your people everywhere.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, remembering especially Priscilla, Judith, Mary, Perry, Christine, John, Michael, Pauline, Norm and those we name aloud...

*Pause for the people to add their own petitions.*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, remembering all who have died of Covid-19 throughout the world, and for those we name aloud...

*Pause for the people to add their own petitions.*

Silence

Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for The President of the United States, the President elect and all in Civil Authority.

*Silence*



O Lord our Governor, whose glory is in all the world: We commend this nation to your merciful care, that, being guided by your Providence, we may dwell secure in your peace. Grant to the President and President Elect of the United States, the Governor of Rhode Island, and to all in authority, wisdom and strength to know and to do your will. Fill them with the love of truth and righteousness, and make them ever mindful of their calling to serve this people; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence*

**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.**

*the Celebrant says,*

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**

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

## The Holy Communion

*If you would like to make an offering, please do so on line or when you come for drive through Holy Communion*

*The people may stand for the Eucharistic Prayer.*

### Eucharistic Prayer

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	<b>And also with you.</b>
<i>Celebrant</i>	Lift up your hearts.
<i>People</i>	<b>We lift them to the Lord.</b>
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<i>People</i>	<b>It is right to give our thanks and praise.</b>

*The celebrant continues...*

...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 and Benedictus:** Mass of Christ the Savior

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*The celebrant continues...*

<i>Celebrant</i>	Therefore, according to his command, O Father,
<i>People</i>	<b>We remember his death,</b>
	<b>We proclaim his resurrection,</b>
	<b>We await his glory;</b>

*The celebrant continues...*

...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.**

### The Lord's Prayer

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
**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**

*A period of silence is kept.*

**Fraction:** Mass of Christ the Savior

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**Communion Music:** Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Hymnal 1982 #324

## **Prayer after Communion**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**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 and Dismissal**

*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.**

*Celebrant* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Closing Song:** I the Lord of Sea and Sky

Schutte

**The Worship Team**

Rev. Jennifer Pedrick, Michael Templeton, Julie Zecher, Ruth Siebens, Ann Gizzi,  
David Brierley

**Production Team**

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**Set up/Break down:** Jon Walker

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