THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPiphANY
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JANUARY 26, 2020
10:00 AM
WELCOME

Thank you for coming to St. John’s to worship this morning. We believe everyone who passes through our doors is a blessing from God. We’re glad you’re here.

Below are answers to some of the questions you might have about St. John’s. If you don’t see the information you need, please ask an usher and we’ll help you out!

First time at St. John’s? Introduce yourself to any of the clergy or a greeter after worship. We would love to meet you! Interested in more information about our music program or ministries? We’d be glad to connect you with someone. Fill out the welcome book at the back of the church, or fill out a visitor card found in the pew rack, and then place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher. We’ll drop off some bread to thank you for visiting!

Assistive Devices: Everyone needs a little help sometimes. Large-print Bibles and hearing-assist devices are available at the back of the church. Just ask an usher!

Communion: All are invited to take Communion, no matter your age or religious background. The loaf is gluten-free. If, due to mobility issues, you cannot walk to the altar rail, let an usher know and communion will be brought down to you.

Children: We welcome everyone, including children of all ages, to participate in all our worship services and to take Communion.

- In the back of the church, there is a rocking chair and a soft space where children can sit and play on the floor. There are also “Busy Bags” with activities for kids to take into the pews.
- If, for any reason, you and your child need to leave the church during the service, you can still hear the service over the speakers in the lower level below the worship space.
- At the 10am service, parents can also choose to use the nursery, on the lower level below the worship space, for children up to age 4.

Godly Play: Most Sundays we offer Godly Play (children’s Sunday school) during the 10am service. Children may join the procession down to their classrooms during the Opening Hymn. If you have any questions please feel free to ask an Usher or Greeter and they will point you in the right direction.

Coffee Hour: After 10am worship, come share treats and beverages in the gymnasium.

Restrooms: Located on the lower level down any set of stairs. We also have an elevator and handicap-accessible restrooms on the lower level—ask an usher for directions.

Electronics: Please silence your cell phone and refrain from using flash cameras during the worship service. Thank you!
Responses in **bold** are spoken by everyone.

*The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) is the **black book** in the pews.*

Hymns can be found in the **blue hymnal** in the pew rack. Hymn numbers that start with “S” come from the front section of the hymnal.

You can simply listen to the Scripture readings, or follow along in the **red pew Bible** on the given page number.

You can always remain seated if you are not comfortable standing or kneeling.

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**About today’s Worship: Seeing, Noticing, and Welcoming God in Epiphany Season**

Beginning at sundown on January 5 (Twelfth Night), the Christmas Season ends and the Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord (January 6) focuses our hearts and minds on the Magi who followed the Star to Bethlehem and visited the Christ child bearing precious gifts of Gold, Frankincense, and Myrrh. The Season after the Epiphany celebrates the various ways God is made known to us through the life, teachings, miracles, and ministry of Jesus Christ. The Season after the Epiphany ends on Shrove Tuesday.

**Liturgical Color:** For the Feasts of the Epiphany of Our Lord, the Baptism of Our Lord, the Presentation of Our Lord, and the Transfiguration of Our Lord, the White, Gold, and Festal Coronation embroidery symbolize the majesty, glory, and splendor of God revealed in the fully human and fully divine Christ. On Sundays that are not feast days, the color green reminds us of the renewal of our Baptismal promises as we continue growing together in worship, service, and fellowship.

If you have any questions about liturgies at St. John’s, please email our Associate Rector at craig.lemming@stjohnsstpaul.org

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**THE WORD OF GOD**

**Prelude**  
*Variations sur l’hymne “Lucis Creator”, JA 27*  
Jehan Alain

**Hymn #448**  
O love, how deep, how broad, how high  
*Deus tuorum militum*

**Opening Acclamation and Response**

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

**People**  
And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and forever.
COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP, p. 355

SONG OF PRAISE

Hymnal S280

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.
Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
People Amen.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 9:1-4
Pew Bible, pp. 624-25

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

PSALM 27:1, 5-13  Please join the choir, as indicated in bold.
1. The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? * the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid.

5. One thing I have asked of the LORD; one thing I seek; * that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;

6. To behold the fair beauty of the LORD * to seek him in his temple.

7. For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; * he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high up on a rock.

8. Even now he lifts up my head * and my enemies round about me.

9. Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; *I will sing and make music to the LORD.

10. Hearken to my voice, O LORD, when I call; * have mercy on me and answer me.

11. You speak in my heart and say seek, "Seek my face." * Your face, LORD, will I seek.

12. Hide not your face from me, * nor turn away your servant in displeasure.

13. You have been my helper; cast me not a way; * do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 1:10-18 Pew Bible, p. 1040

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

HYMN #653 Dear Lord and Father of mankind Repton

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

GOSPEL Matthew 4:12-23 Pew Bible, pp. 881-82
**Gospeller**    The Gospel of the Lord.

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

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**SERMON**    The Rev. Craig Lemming, *Associate Rector*

**NICENE CREED**  

*said by all, standing as you are able*

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

*Reader* Jesus, Light of the World,

*All* Fill us with your love.

*Reader* Gracious God:

*All* By your love you have called us to proclaim with joy the good news of your Son: So build us up in the knowledge and love of Him, that we may welcome all people into this community of faith, and show forth our service to you in our service to others; through Jesus Christ Our Lord.

*Amen. — The Collect for St. John’s*

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*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.

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

*All* Amen.

THE PEACE

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

*People* And also with you.

WELCOME The Rev. Jered Weber-Johnson, Rector
THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY AND PRESENTATION

ANTHEM

Sicut cervus desiderat

G. P. da Palestrina

Sicut cervus desiderat ad fonts aquarum,

As a hart longs for the flowing streams,

ita desiderat anima mea ad te, Deus.

so longs my soul for thee, O God.

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.

People And of thine own have we given thee.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

BCP, p. 362

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty…

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

Hymnal S127
Celebrant  Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all…

...Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Celebrant  We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts…

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, 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

Celebrant  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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD
FRACTION ANTHEM

_Celebrant_ Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
_People_ Therefore let us keep the feast.

DISTRIBUTION

_All are welcome at the Lord’s table. You may kneel or stand to receive communion. The common loaf is gluten-free. If you prefer to receive a blessing please cross your arms. There is a standing station to receive Holy Communion._

ANTHEM

Cantique de Jean Racine

_(Sung in French)_

Gabriel Fauré

O Redeemer divine, our sole hope of salvation, eternal light of the earth and the sky and from the peaceful night, our voices break the silence, divine Savior. Upon us turn your eyes, divine Savior; pour out on us the fire of thy grace, strong and mighty; that hell shall flee, shall flee at thy command. Dispel the slumber from souls that languish, that leads our souls to depart from thy laws. O Christ, bestow thy favor upon thy people, faithful, for we bless you as we now congregate. Receive the songs we offer to thine immortal glory and from these gifts we return unto thee.

Wesley Frye, _collaborative pianist_

SENDING FORTH EUCHARISTIC VISITORS (AS APPLICABLE)

_Deacon_ In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ’s body and blood.

_People_ We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup._
**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

*standing or kneeling, as is your custom*

**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.

**BLESSING**

**DISMISSAL**

*Deacon* Our worship here is ended; now our service begins. Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People* Thanks be to God.

**HYMN #539** O Zion haste

**POSTLUDE** Festal Flourish

*Tidings*  
*Gordon Jacob*
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Altar Flowers are given in thanksgiving for the lives of:
Phyllis & Alan Acosta

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