

The First Sunday after the Epiphany: The Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ

January 7th, 2024 10:30 am

We welcome ALL:
People of Color
LGBTQIA+
Drag Queens
Partnered and Single
Differently Abled
Families and Children
Young and Old
Our Unhoused Neighbors
The Alcoholic and Addicted
Believers and Those Questioning Faith
Anyone Who Desires a Spiritual Home.

Calvary's welcome extends to all. But more importantly—God welcomes you for exactly who you are.

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HOLY EUCHARIST

PRELUDE

Please stand

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 83

As with gladness men of old

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SALUTATION BCP 355

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

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

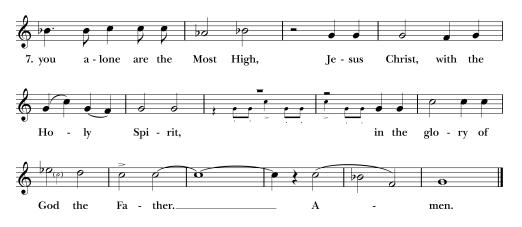
THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 355

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*.

GLORIA HYMN S-278 Setting, Mathias





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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY Please remain standing

BCP 211

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant 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*.

A READING FROM GENESIS Please be seated

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.



- 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 a bove the flood; * the LORD sits enthroned as King for ever more.
- 11 The LORD shall give strength to his people; *
 the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

A READING FROM ACTS 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.

Please stand

SEQUENCE HYMN 385

Many and great, O God, are thy works

On the third day he rose again

he ascended into heaven

in accordance with the Scriptures;

and his kingdom will have no end.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We look for the resurrection of the dead.

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

DAKOTA

THE GOSPEL Mark 1:4-11

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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."

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

THE SERMON Please he seated

The Very Rev. Dr. Lee F. Shafer

THE NICENE CREED Please stand

BCP 358

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.

Please stand or kneel

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Form III

BCP 387

The Leader and People pray responsively
Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

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

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, especially Michael, Presiding Bishop, and Terry, our Bishop; priests, especially Lee, our Priest, and deacons;

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

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

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

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed, especially Dean Cook, eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

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

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially those on our Calvary Church prayer list: Carley and her family, Clyde, Cortland, Greg, Michael, John, Olivia, Gwenn, Will, Stephanie, Sandra, Bob, and Rusty. *Silence*

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP 360

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor...

Celebrant and People

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,

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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 continues

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 Please stand

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Please be seated

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.

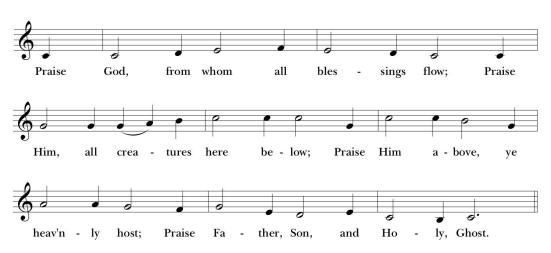
O how blest that wondrous birthday, When the Maid the curse retrieved, Brought to birth mankind's salvation By the Holy Ghost conceived, And the Babe, the world's Redeemer In her loving arms received, Evermore and evermore.

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.

Sing, ye heights of heaven, his praises;
Angels and Archangels, sing!
Wheresoe'er ye be, ye faithful,
Let your joyous anthems ring,
Every tongue his name confessing,
Countless voices answering,
Evermore and evermore.

THE DOXOLOGY Please stand

PUER NOBIS



INVITATION TO COMMUNION Please remain standing

This is the table, not of the church, but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love God and for those who want to love God more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little; you who have been here often and you who have not been here for a long time; you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is God's desire that you will meet God here.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER C

BCP 369

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

Celebrant The Lord be with you. People And also with you. Celebrant Lift up your hearts. People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise. People

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another. Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

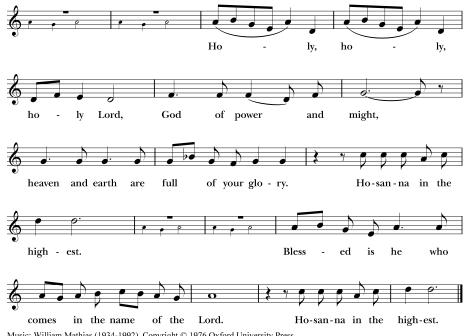
Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS S-128 Please stand or kneel

Setting, Mathias



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Then the Celebrant continues

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving, We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *Amen.*

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

THE FRACTION ANTHEM S-155

Setting, Near

BCP 364



Setting: Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)

THE COMMUNION

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Love is Little

TRADITIONAL SHAKER, Arr. Mark Schweitzer

Love is little, love is low, Love will make our spirits grow, Grow in peace, grow in light, Love will do the thing that's right. Love is silent, love is strong, Love will sing a quiet song, Sing of peace, sing of light, Love will do the thing that's right.

Love is gentle, love is small, Love will find the best of all, Find the peace, find the light, Love will do the thing that's right. Love is wonder, love is grace, Love will bind all in its place; Bind the peace, bind the light, Love will do the thing that's right.

COMMUNION HYMN 121

Christ, when for us you were baptized

CAITHNESS

Please stand or kneel

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 366

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.

be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.* THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN 120

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,

The sinless one to Jordan came

SOLEMNIS HAEC FESTIVITAS

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

POSTLUDE

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for family and friends from Meg Scharre.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISCRETIONARY FUND Cash offerings from today's service go to the Rector's Discretionary Fund, to help support various ministries and individuals in need. If you would like to contribute by check, please just make a notation in the check memo line. Thank you!

DATE CHANGE: ANNUAL PARISH MEETING WITH VESTRY ELECTIONS Due to the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday weekend, the Annual Parish Meeting has been moved to January 21st, 2024. Immediately following the service we will have our Annual Parish Meeting and elect 4 new members of the Vestry.

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