



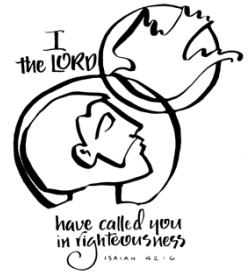
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The First Sunday after the Epiphany: The Baptism of our Lord January 8, 2023

The Liturgy of The Holy Eucharist II

Prelude

Procession to the Altar

Hymn #124

What star is this?

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.**

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.**

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his
people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King almighty God and
Father, we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord
God, Lamb of God you take away the sin of the**

**world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the
right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are
the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus
Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God
the Father. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

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 Isaiah

(42:1-9)

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in
whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon
him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He
will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in
the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a
dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will
faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint
or be crushed until he has established justice in the
earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching.
Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens
and stretched them out, who spread out the earth
and what comes from it, who gives breath to the
people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it:
I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness, I
have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have
given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the
nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring
out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the
prison those who sit in darkness. I am the LORD,
that is my name; my glory I give to no other,

nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

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

Psalm 29

- 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 above the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.**
- 11 The LORD shall give strength to his people; the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

A Reading from Acts (10:34-43)

Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message

he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

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

Gradual

Spirit of the Living God

1. Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

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The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew (3:13-17)

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

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

Gradual

Spirit of the Living God

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The Sermon

Silence for reflection

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

(found on page 292 of the Book of Common Prayer)

Prayers of the People

Let us pray.

For the whole church of God, that it may grow in unity and servant hood. We pray especially for Bartholomew, Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople, Francis, Bishop of Rome, Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our presiding bishop, Melissa our bishop provisional, Brian our assisting bishop; for priests, deacons and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God.

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

For the Anglican Communion, especially the Dioceses of Ondo - (Nigeria), Ontario - (Canada), Oregon - (The Episcopal Church), Eastern Oregon - (The Episcopal Church), Orlu - (Nigeria), Oru - (Nigeria), and The Church of the Province of Myanmar; our diocese, especially Resurrection, Bellevue; St. Michael and All Angels, Issaquah; and our parish.

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

For all the leaders and people of the world, especially Joseph, our president, that reconciliation and peace may overcome conflict and oppression. We pray for our armed forces and those who are deployed especially for those we now name....

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

For the hungry in body, mind or spirit, that they may be nourished by your presence and truth.

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

For the sick and those in pain, for the lonely and the forgotten, for the dying and all who mourn, that your healing grace may shine forth in the shadows of this world. We pray for all those on our prayer list and those in our hearts, especially Lyn, Areewa, Marisa, Rico, Saray, Leif, Kari, Kathryn, Milana, Jackie, Elianny, Glen, Gary, Marilyn, Keith, Justin & Kendra, Alex, Janae, Jeanne, Travon, Debbie, Cindy, Scott, Mike, Kim, Mike, Michele, Bob, and for those we now name....

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

For the gifts of joy and love, that we may bear witness to the manifestations of your glory. We give thanks for all the blessings of this life, especially for those we now name...

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

For those who have died and now abide in Christ's presence, remembering especially Chip Yoeun, Loeum Loy, Barbara Bertolin, Nancy Newkirk, John Weller, and those we now name...,

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

Celebrant

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Leader 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, 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 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.**

Announcements, Birthdays, Anniversaries

Offertory

Our Sunday loose cash offerings go to our Emergency Aid Fund, which directly serves families and individuals in need within our community. Your generosity makes saying "yes" to those who need help the most possible.



The Great Thanksgiving – B

[Please see Book of Common Prayer, pg. 367]

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.

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

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing...

Celebrant and People

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues
We give thanks to you, O God...

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving...

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**

Lord's Prayer

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our father in heaven
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread and Holy Communion

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

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

All persons are invited to come forward to receive Holy Communion in one or both of the elements or receive a blessing. Gluten-free hosts and alcohol-free wine are available upon request at the rail. If you have yet to be baptized and are interested in learning more about this sacrament, please see one of the clergy following the liturgy.

If you do not wish to come forward for Communion or a blessing, or if you are attending the liturgy virtually, you are invited to pray the following from The St. Augustine's Prayer Book.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, I long to offer praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive Communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and

my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

The Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray

Celebrant and People

**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

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.*

Procession to the Neighborhood

Hymn #119 *As with gladness*

St. Matthew Mission Statement

**To be a church that passionately embraces and
values all people, growing in the love of Christ
through word and action.**

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude
