

Sunday, January 12, 2025 First Sunday after the Epiphany 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Family Service

WELCOME!

We are delighted to have you with us today. You are invited to God's table to receive communion and to share in our community. If you are visiting, please introduce yourself and fill out a Welcome Card. Place the card in the offering plate or hand it to an usher. If you are looking for a church to call home, you are welcome here!

CHILDREN AT ST. JOHN'S

Children's Chapel is offered for kids of all ages during the Gospel and Sermon, with infant and toddler care in the nursery. We enjoy a family worship service and Children's Sermon on the second Sunday of the month.

THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE

"Serenade" (Ständchen) D957, Franz Schubert

OPENING HYMN

"When John Baptized by Jordan's River" vs. 1-3

The People stand as able for the Hymn and opening



THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

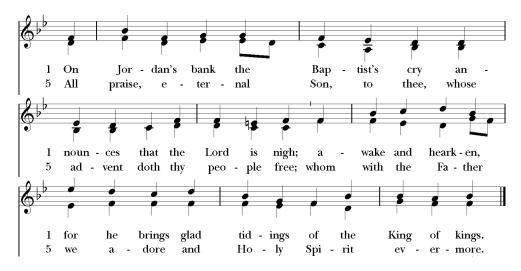
People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.**

GATHERING HYMN

"On Jordan's bank, the baptist's cry" vs. 1, 5, The Hymnal 76



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.**

THE LESSONS

The People Sit

A READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES

Isaiah 43:1-7

But now, God's Message, the God who made you in the first place, Jacob, the One who got you started, Israel: "Don't be afraid, I've redeemed you. I've called your name. You're mine. When you're in over your head, I'll be there with you. When you're in rough waters, you will not go down. When you're between a rock and a hard place, it won't be a dead end—Because I am God, your personal God, The Holy of Israel, your Savior. I paid a huge price for you: all of Egypt, with rich Cush and Seba thrown in! That's how much you mean to me! That's how much I love you! I'd sell off the whole world to get you back, trade the creation just for you. "So don't be afraid: I'm with you. I'll round up all your scattered children, pull them in from east and west. I'll send orders north and south: 'Send them back. Return my sons from distant lands, my daughters from faraway places. I want them back, every last one who bears my name, every man, woman, and child Whom I created for my glory, yes, personally formed and made each one.""

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29

Remaining seated, the Lector and the People say the Psalm responsively

- 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.
- The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; *
 the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- 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.
- 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 THE NEW TESTAMENT

ACTS 8:14-17

When the apostles in Jerusalem received the report that Samaria had accepted God's Message, they sent Peter and John down to pray for them to receive the Holy Spirit. Up to this point they had only been baptized in the name of the Master Jesus; the Holy Spirit hadn't yet fallen on them. Then the apostles laid their hands on them and they did receive the Holy Spirit.

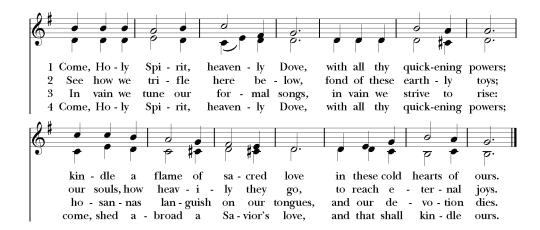
Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN

"Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove" vs. 1, 4, The Hymnal 510

The People stand as able for the hymn and the Gospel



THE HOLY GOSPEL

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The interest of the people by now was building. They were all beginning to wonder, "Could this John be the Messiah?" But John intervened: "I'm baptizing you here in the river. The main character in this drama, to whom I'm a mere stagehand, will ignite the kingdom life, a fire, the Holy Spirit within you, changing you from the inside out. He's going to clean house—make a clean sweep of your lives. He'll place everything true in its proper place before God; everything false he'll put out with the trash to be burned." After all the people were baptized, Jesus was baptized. As he was praying, the sky opened up and the Holy Spirit, like a dove descending, came down on him. And along with the Spirit, a voice: "You are my Son, chosen and marked by my love, pride of my life."

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

THE FAMILY SERMON

Mary Erickson

Luke 3:15-17,21-22

The People may be seated
A moment of silence will be observed for reflection after the sermon

THE NICENE CREED

The People stand as able and say together

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.

ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

The Church of the Province of West Africa

PARTNERS IN MINISTRY

Santa Maria Magdalena, Favorito, Cuba AMOS Health & Hope, Nicaragua

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

Standing Committee/COM

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Charlie Ezzell Lt. Commander Wolf Klotz 2 Lt. Ben Phocas

IN NEED OF COMFORT

John Angst Ken Asel Jamie Bennett Bradley Family Breckenridge & Burns Family Stan Burch Kyle Burson Chuck Clarke Carole Collins Meghan & Paul Davis Pattie Dunn **Ernie Ferguson** Dan Forman Joyce Good Bruce Hawtin Susie Hermanson Mary-Carolyn Hoag Jean Horner John Hunt John Huyler Kip MacMillan Mader Family Heidi Mason Robin Moyer Parish Family Sharon Parrott Jon Peterson Peyton Dennis & Toni Reynolds Alex Rosel Jim Ross Karen Van Norman Valerie Ware Ann & John Willot

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

Bruce Abel Joy Greene David Hardie Bill Haves Tom Hill Chelcie Jonke Lily Koinis Woody Macker Paige MacLeod Michael May Phillip Molnar Cody Mueller Margie Reimers Gwen Ripps Jack Spitler Elizabeth Vance

CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES Diana & Russell Hawkins Gina & Dick Heise

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In the silence after each bidding, the People may offer their own prayers, kneeling or standing I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Presiding Bishop, Sean; for our Assisting Bishop, Katharine; for our Provisional Bishop, Todd; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.

Silence

Silence

I ask your prayers for The Church of the Province of West Africa in the Anglican cycle of prayer; for our partners in ministry, Santa Maria Magdalena in Favorito, Cuba; AMOS Health and Hope, Nicaragua; for the Standing Committee/COM in our own Diocese of Wyoming.

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

I ask your prayers for Joe, our President, for Donald, our President-elect, and for all the world's leaders; for those on our Military Prayer List: Charlie Ezzell, Lieutenant Commander Wolf Klotz, Second Lieutenant Ben Phocas and all officers and enlisted people.

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially for those on our prayer list and those we now name. *Silence*

I ask your prayers in thanksgiving for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries.

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God. Pray that they may find and be found by God.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed, and those we now name.

Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day. *Silence*

We thank you for the generosity directed toward our Legacy of Love campaign, for the generosity of this parish. We ask for your continued presence in our work to rebuild Browse, so that we might embody loving-kindness in new ways.

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

The People kneel or stand as able

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

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

The People stand as able

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The People sit. The Revelations Newsletter is available in the Narthex and Hansen Hall for what is happening around the parish.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

"Shall We Gather at the River" Robert Lowry

Shall we gather at the river, Where bright angel feet have trod;

With its crystal tide forever Flowing by the throne of God?

Refrain: Yes, we'll gather at the river, The beautiful, the beautiful river;

Gather with the saints at the river That flows by the throne of God.

Ere we reach the shining river, Lay we every burden down;

Grace our spirits will deliver, And provide a robe and crown. Refrain:

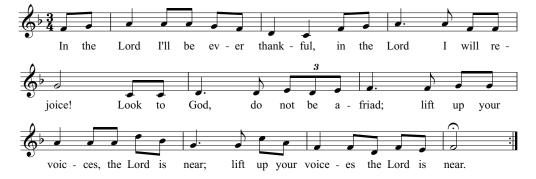
Soon we'll reach the shinning river, Soon our pilgrimage will cease,

Soon our happy hearts will quiver With the melody of peace. *Refrain:*

PRESENTATION HYMN

"El Senyor: In the Lord I'll be ever thankful" Taizé

The People stand as able



The People stand as able

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift 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 God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

"Holy, Holy, Holy Lord" The Hymnal S130, Franz Schubert

The Celebrant and the People sing together



The People kneel or stand as the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant We remember his death,
& People We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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**.

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

Celebrant Our Father, who art in heaven,

& People 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,

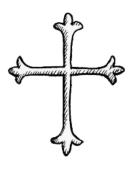
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,

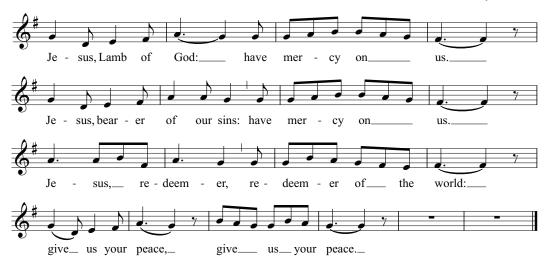
for ever and ever. Amen.



BREAKING OF THE BREAD

As the Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread, a period of silence is kept

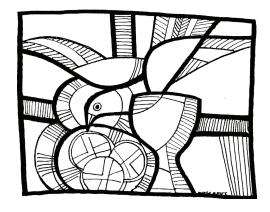
"Jesus Lamb of God" The Hymnal S164, Franz Schubert

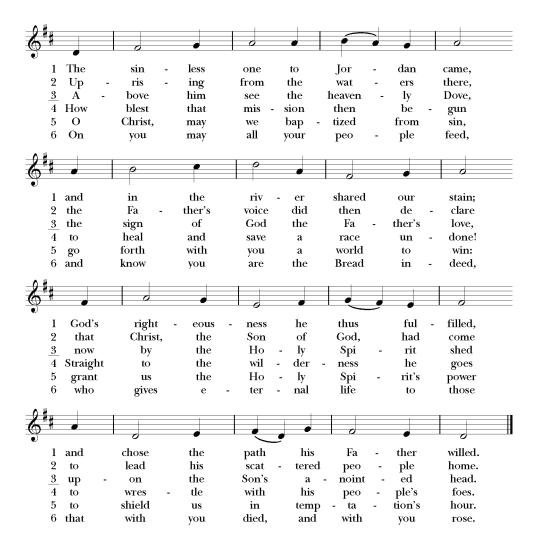


Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

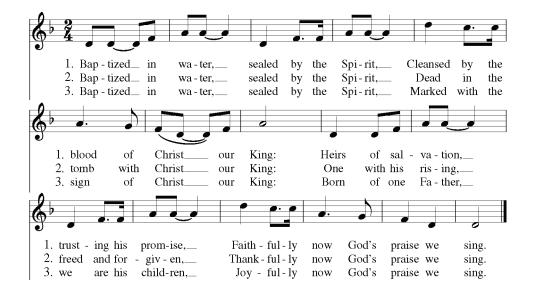
All are welcome to receive communion in this parish. If it's your first time to receive communion or the first time in this church, the most important thing to know is it's impossible to do it wrong! We're glad you're joining us. You may kneel or stand as you approach the communion rail. Place your hands together and clergy will place the wafer in your palm. You may eat the bread and receive communion as bread alone. You may dip the bread in the wine chalice (there's a fancy word for this—intinction) or you may drink from the chalice. In that act of receiving communion, we remember the life and teachings of Jesus, along with his death and resurrection, AND it's something we do TOGETHER in order to remember we are all connected—communing with one another through this life and what's to come.

A member of St. John's Prayer & Healing Ministry is available to be a companion in prayer in the Columbarium to the left of the main altar during Communion and following the service.





"Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit" vs. 1-3, Lift Every Voice and Sing 121



POST COMMUNION PRAYER

The People kneel or stand as able

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of & People vour 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;

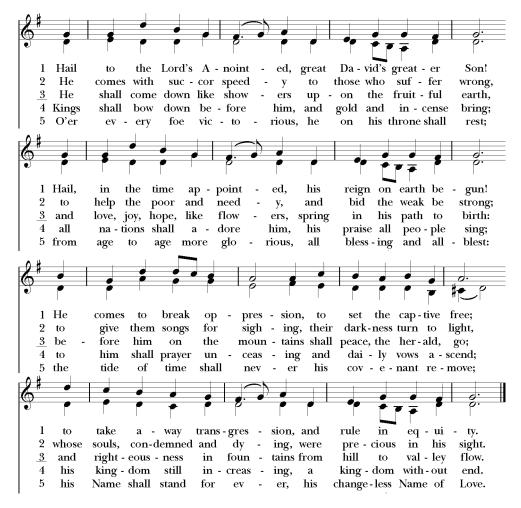
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

The Priest blesses the people

CLOSING HYMN

"Hail to the Lord's Anointed" vs. 1-3, The Hymnal 616



THE DISMISSAL

As the procession passes down the aisle, you are invited to face the doors of the church for the Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

"Präludium in F" BWV 556, Johann Sebastian Bach



The Flower Team provides altar flowers for the church on Sundays and when a parishioner dedicates flowers to a loved one. The ministry shares these arrangements with those on our In Need of Comfort list. If you would like to donate flowers in honor or remembrance of someone, contact Pam Woodson at pam@stjohnsjackson.org, call 307-733-2603 or use the sign up sheet in Hansen Hall.



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