



**St. John's**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
COLD SPRING HARBOR

## FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY: THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

January 10, 2021

### MORNING PRAYER RITE 2

**Prelude** *Christ Our Lord Came to the Jordan, BWV 684*

J. S. Bach

#### Opening Sentences

Priest From the rising of the sun to its setting my Name shall be great among the nations, and in every place incense shall be offered to my Name, and a pure offering: for my Name shall be great among the nations, says the Lord of hosts. (*Malachi 1:11*)

#### The Invitatory

Priest Lord, open our lips.

People *And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.*

*Priest and People together*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

Priest Our King and Savior now draws near: Come, let us adore him.

#### Jubilate: Psalm 100

Henry Aldrich

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; \*  
serve the Lord with gladness  
and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; \*  
he himself has made us, and we are his;  
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving;  
go into his courts with praise; \*  
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good;  
his mercy is everlasting; \*  
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

## 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.  
*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

## The Lessons

### A reading from 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.

The Word of the Lord

*People Thanks be to God.*

**The Cantic K: A Song of Our Adoption (Ephesians 1:3-10)**

Blessed are you, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, \*  
for you have blessed us in Christ  
with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places.  
Before the world was made, you chose us to be yours in Christ, \*  
that we should be holy and blameless before you.  
You destined us for adoption as your children through Jesus Christ, \*  
according to the good pleasure of your will,  
To the praise of your glorious grace, \*  
that you have freely given us in the Beloved.  
In you, we have redemption through the blood of Christ, \*  
the forgiveness of our sins,  
According to the riches of your grace \*  
which you have lavished upon us.  
You have made known to us, in all wisdom and insight, \*  
the mystery of your will,  
According to your good pleasure which you set forth in Christ, \*  
as a plan for the fullness of time,  
To gather together all things in Christ, \*  
things in heaven and things on earth.  
*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

**A Reading from The Gospel according to Mark 1:4-11**

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."

The word of the Lord.

*People Thanks be to God.*

**The Sermon**

Gideon L. K. Pollach

**Offertory** *Shall we gather at the river*

Words & Music: Robert Lowry  
Cloe SanAntonio, vocal soloist

## **The Renewal of Baptismal Vows**

Priest Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

*People I do.*

Priest Do you believe in God the Father?

*People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.*

Priest Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

*People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.*

*He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.*

*He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.*

*He descended to the dead.*

*On the third day he rose again.*

*He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.*

*He will come again to judge the living and the dead.*

Priest Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*People I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.*

Priest Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

*People I will, with God's help.*

Priest Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

*People I will, with God's help.*

Priest Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People I will, with God's help.*

Priest Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

*People I will, with God's help.*

Priest Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

*People I will, with God's help.*

Priest May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Amen.*

### **The Lord's Prayer** (*Priest and People together*)

*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 Suffrages A**

*V Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
R And grant us your salvation.  
V Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
R Let your people sing with joy.  
V Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
R For only in you can we live in safety.  
V Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
R And guide us in the way of justice and truth.  
V Let your way be known upon earth;  
R Your saving health among all nations.  
V Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
R Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.  
V Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
R And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.*

### **The Collect of the Day**

*Priest* 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 Prayers and Additional Collects**

*Priest* Almighty and most merciful God, we remember before you all poor and neglected persons whom it would be easy for us to forget: the homeless and the destitute, the old and the sick, and all who have none to care for them. Help us to heal those who are broken in body or spirit, and to turn their sorrow into joy. Grant this, Father, for the love of your Son, who for our sake became poor, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

I ask your prayers for all those who are sick and all those commended to our prayers:  
God of compassion, be close to those who are ill, afraid or in isolation; particularly,  
those serving our nation overseas, our partner school and church, St. Matthias in  
Deslandes, Haiti; those who are adversely affected by the Coronavirus and its response;  
and for those who are ill:

Shirley Baker, Eileen Bellini, Chloe Clancy, Elisa Deane, Luke Demarest, Nancy Fowler,  
Angelina Rose Freda, Barbara Gallagher, Bob Genzale, Vanessa Gullo, Monica Gutting,  
George Harstedt, Peter Helf, Charles Herz, Evelyn Hiller, Edith Hoffman, Richard Hsia,  
Aline Joseph, Ruth Knutson, Marie Lee, Bettina Levy, Andrew Lynch, Una McHugh,  
Linda Miranda, Alan Moore, Peter Morris, Alex Patterson, Peter Pawelko,  
Joan Penrose-Borum, Luna Belle Perrone, Robert Reimels, Jack Santaniello,  
Katherine Simon, David Sison, Joan Small, Helen Colgate Smith, Leslie Travaglia,  
Carole Walker, and for any others we name now aloud or in our hearts.

*A period of silence follows for your prayers*

*Priest* In their loneliness, be their consolation; in their anxiety, be their hope; in their  
darkness, be their light; through him who suffered alone on the cross, but reigns with  
you in glory, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*Priest* I ask your prayers for all those who have died, remembering especially Kathy Helf and  
those we name now aloud or in our hearts.

May the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace and rise in  
glory. *Amen.*

I ask your prayers of thanksgiving for all the blessings of our lives; as we name them  
now aloud or in our hearts.

*A period of silence follows for your prayers of thanksgiving*

### **The General Thanksgiving**

*Priest and People together*

*We give you thanks, most gracious God, for the beauty of earth and sky and sea; for the  
richness of mountains, plains, and rivers; for the songs of birds and the loveliness of  
flowers. We praise you for these good gifts, and pray that we may safeguard them for our  
posterity. Grant that we may continue to grow in our grateful enjoyment of your abundant  
creation, to the honor and glory of your Name, now and for ever. Amen.*

*Priest* O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of  
your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the  
week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### **Closing Sentences**

*Priest* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

### **The Announcements**

## **The Grace**

*Priest* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen*

**Hymn 117** *Brightest and best of the stars of the morning*

*Morning Star*

**Postlude** *Fugue in G major, BWV 577*

J. S. Bach

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God.*

## **Service Participants**

Lector: Billy Wresch

Usher: Mary Gay Townsend, Matt O'Connell

Musician: Jun Kim

*10 am Service*

Lectors: Richard Weir, Stephen White, Scott Brennan

Vocal soloist: Cloe SanAntonio,

Organist: Dr. Carol Weitner

## **Caring Connection Contacts:**

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**Ministers of the Church:** All the members of the congregation (BCP p. 855)

## **Assistants to the Ministers:**

### **CLERGY**

The Rt. Rev. Lawrence Provenzano, *Bishop*

The Very Rev. Gideon L. K. Pollach, *Rector*

The Rev. Mary Beth Mills-Curran, *Curate*

The Rev. T. Carleton Lee, *Rector Emeritus*

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### **VESTRY**

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William Wresch, *Treasurer*

Cathy Casalicchio

Scott Evans

Matthew O'Connell

Mary Gay Townsend

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Susan Collins, *Clerk*

Nancy Cashin

Barry Grace

James Sanna

Jack Weidinger

## **This Week at St. John's**

|          |         |  |
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| 1/10 Sun | 8 am    | Holy Eucharist Rite 2 - St. John's Church  |
|          | 9 am    | Virtual Sunday School  |
|          | 10 am   | Online Morning Prayer Rite 2 ( <a href="https://www.stjcsh.org/live/">https://www.stjcsh.org/live/</a> ) |
|          | 4 pm    | Confirmation Class   |
| 1/11 Mon | 12 pm   | Monday Bible Study   |
| 1/12 Tue | 10 am   | Church Staff Meeting - Zoom  |
| 1/13 Wed | 6 pm    | Handbell Choir - Sanctuary   |
| 1/14 Thu | 7:30 pm | Adult Choir Zoom Rehearsal   |
| 1/17 Sun | 8 am    | Holy Eucharist Rite 2 - St. John's Church  |
|          | 9 am    | Virtual Sunday School  |
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| 1/18     |         | <i>Martin Luther King Day - Church Offices Closed</i>  |

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