

### All Saints Episcopal Church

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Sunday Service at 10 am

Wednesdays at 11 am

Note: All Services Online via Facebook Live or Zoom

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We Welcome You to An Online Service of

### **Ante Communion**

January 10, 2021

# The First Sunday After the Epiphany: The Baptism of Our Lord

The Rev. Hank Morrow
Officiant

Bev Coleman and Robert Frost Readers



The *sanctuary candle* burns this week to the glory of God and in loving memory of Joan Govan and Robert Larson.

#### An Order of Ante-Communion: Rite Two

January 10, 2021 † 10:00 a.m.

The First Sunday After the Epiphany: The Baptism of Our Lord

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

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

### The Officiant may say

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.

When appointed, the following hymn or some other song of praise is sung or said, all standing

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

The Officiant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

*The Officiant says the Collect.* 

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. One or two Lessons, as appointed, are read, the reader first saying

## 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

A Psalm, hymn, or anthem may follow each Reading.

## The Response: Psalm 29 Afferte Domino

- 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 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ 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."

After the Gospel, the Reader says

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

## The Homily

The Rev. Harold Morrow

## The Prayers of the People, Form III

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, Officiants, 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, especially Fr. Stephen and his family;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest, especially Joan and John;

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.

Your prayers are asked for our parish, especially the Speacht, Stagg, Stalnecker, and Starks families; for the repose of the soul of Joan Govan and John Larson; for Fr. Stephen and his family; David, Leslie, Jim, Barbara, Carol, and Janet; for those serving in the military: Lexi, Sean, Aaron, Eric, Morgan, Andrew, and Brendan; for first responders: Michael and Tyler; for loved ones and friends in need of our continuing prayers: Dari Boley, Dawn N., Jim, Heidi, Ryan, Sue, Cathy, Susan, John, Barbara, Ron, Olivia; Joel, Gabrial and Jonathan; Brian Shaffer, Michael, and Sharon G; in the Anglican cycle of prayer for Resurrection Episcopal Mission Mt. Carmel, the Diocese of San Joaquin, and The Rt. Rev. Eric Menees and his wife, Florence.

A Prayer for The Search Committee: Almighty God, you graciously meet us in all the avenues of our life. In this period of transition, look kindly on the people of All Saints as they seek a new Rector. Grant the members of the Search Committee discerning and enquiring hearts. Gift the people of the parish with listening hearts that they may truly hear each other. Touch those priests seeking a new ministry, and by your Holy Spirit bring all things together, through your Son Jesus Christ. Amen.

Your prayers are asked for our diocese: God of wisdom and love, in whom we find our joy: Help us to listen for your Word and to discern your way forward for our Church. Give us the insight to hold on to what is true, the courage to explore new ideas, and the boldness to create with you. Let us be Shaped by Faith for your mission; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

Your own petitions are invited, aloud or in the silence of your heart.

Silence

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

**The Peace** All stand. The Officiant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you. *People* And also with you.

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

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.

## A General Thanksgiving

Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love.

We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.

We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.

We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.

Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know him and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. Amen.

#### The Benediction

*Deacon* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

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**Announcements** ... We are sorry to report the passing of Joan Govan and John Larson. Joan and John were both faithful members of All Saints.

O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of your servants Joan and John, and grant them an entrance into the land of light and joy, in

the fellowship of your saints; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Feeing a Call to Serve? In Fr. Stephen's absence, and in preparation for the Annual Meeting and transition of Vestry Members (4), I am asking each of you to give careful consideration as to whether you feel called to be part of the Vestry. All Saints will begin a brave new adventure into our future and

... I heard the voice of the Lord, saying: "Whom shall I send, And who will go for Us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

the Vestry's work with our new Rector, and all parishioners, will be an important part of that adventure.

**Dear friends at All Saints -** Fred and I and the staff at Church World Services want to thank you for your generous response in purchasing gift cards for use in assisting the resettlement of refugees in Lancaster. We were able to raise \$500 in gift cards. Your support of this program is greatly appreciated. Sincerely, Rosemary and Fred Hartman