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Holy Eucharist, Rite II

First Sunday
after Epiphany



St. Michael's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Welcome to St. Michael's Episcopal Church!

We are an open, affirming and inclusive parish, worshipping in the Episcopal tradition. No matter where you're from, or what you believe, you are welcome to gather with us, sing with us, pray with us, learn with us, and receive communion with us. We do our best to make our customs accessible to all people, but if anything seems confusing to you, feel free to ask someone for help, or simply sit and observe.

Welcome, Visitors! Tell us about yourself.

If you are visiting today, we invite you to sign the Guest Book. We would love to get to know each other! And if you're seeking baptism, confirmation, or simply a community of healing and hope to belong to, we would be delighted to join you on your journey.



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Service Notes

* Denotes moments when the congregation is invited to stand (as able)

“Celebration” refers to the Celebration Hymnal located throughout the Nave.

Scriptures are quoted from the NRSV Bible, unless otherwise indicated.

The Word of God

* **Processional Song** *“Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”* Celebration # 293

* **Opening Sentence & Collect for Purity** Book of Common Prayer p. 355

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

People **And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant 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.**

* **Song of Praise** *“Glorify Thy Name”* Celebration # 9



1. Fa - ther, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You,
2. Je - sus, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You,
3. Spir - it, we love You, we wor - ship and a - dore You,



Glo - ri-fy Thy name in all the earth. _____ Glo - ri-fy Thy name,



Glo - ri-fy Thy name, Glo - ri-fy Thy name in all the earth. _____

* Collect of the Day

Epiphany 1

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Lesson

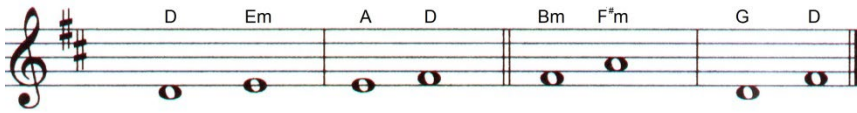
Isaiah 43:1-7

Thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life.

Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth-- everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

The Word of the LORD. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 29 (changing notes at the highlighted word)



Ascribe to the LORD, you **gods**,

ascribe to the LORD glory and **strength**.

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**.

The voice of the LORD breaks the **cedar trees**;

the LORD breaks the cedars of **Lebanon**;

He makes Lebanon skip like a **calf**,

and Mount Hermon like a young wild **ox**.

The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD shakes the **wilderness**;

the Lord shakes the wilderness of Ka-**desh**.

The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees **writhe**

and strips the forests **bare**.

And in the temple of the LORD all are crying, "**Glory!**"

The LORD sits enthroned above the flood, the LORD sits enthroned as King for ever**more**.

The LORD shall give strength to his **people**; *

the LORD shall give his people the blessing of **peace**.

Second Lesson

Acts 8:14-17

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the LORD. **Thanks be to God.**

* Sequence

"When John Baptized by Jordan's River"



1. When John bap - tized Lord, by Jor - dan's riv - er
2. Thee as the of Man, bap - tized and pray - ing,
3. O Son of Man, our na - ture shar - ing,



In Rose faith and hope the peo - ple came,
In from the o - be - dience sin - less one,
In whose o - be - dience all are blest,



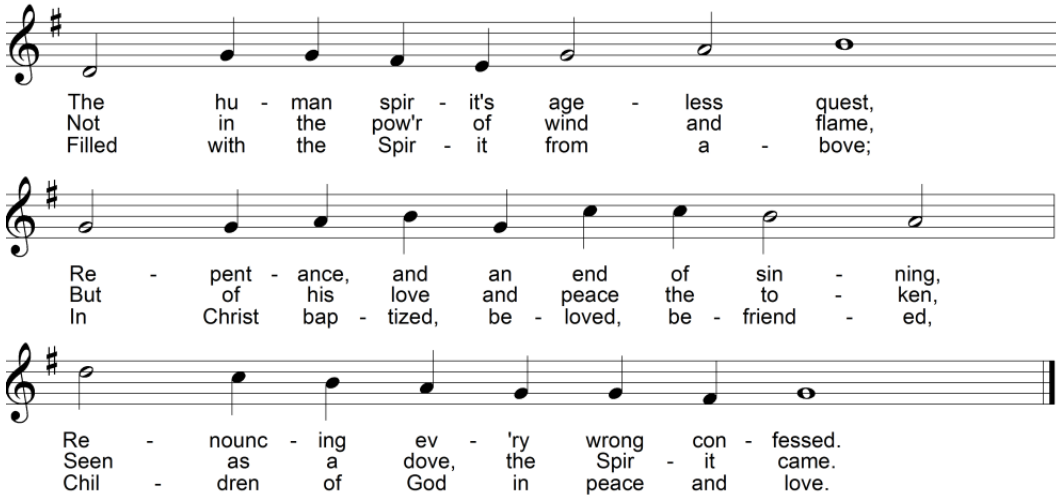
That John and Jor - dan might de - liv - er
A voice was heard from heav - en say - ing,
Sav - ior, our sins and and sor - rows bear - ing,



Their trou - bled souls from sin and shame.
"This is my and own grant be - lov - ed Son."
Hear us and grant us this re - quest:



They came to seek a new be - gin - ning,
There as the Fa - ther's word was spo - ken,
Dai - ly to grow, by grace de - fend - ed,



The hu - man spir - it's age wind - less and quest,
 Not in the the pow'r of it from and a - flame,
 Filled with the Spir - it from a - bove;

Re - pent - ance, and love an end of sin - ning,
 But of his love and peace the to - ken,
 In Christ bap - tized, be - loved, be - friend - ed,

Re - nounc - ing a ev - 'ry wrong con - fessed.
 Seen as a dove, the Spir - it came.
 Chil - dren of God in peace and love.

*** Holy Gospel**

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. 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.

*** Renewal of Baptismal Vows**

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

People I do

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Celebrant 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.

Celebrant 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.

Celebrant 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.

Celebrant 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.

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

People I will, with God's help.

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

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant 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.

Celebrant 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 our Lord.

People Amen.

*** Prayers of the People**

Form II, BCP p. 385

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Presiding Bishop, Sean, our Provisional Bishop, Diane and our Bishop elect, Amy; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. (*pause*) Pray for the Church.

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

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. We remember this day those on our altar prayer list and those you would name. (*pause*) Pray for those in any need or trouble.

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

I ask your prayers for the departed and those who grieve. *(pause)* Pray for those who have died.

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

Celebrant: 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**

Officiant The peace of the LORD be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Welcome & Announcements

- January Birthdays: “O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants, as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.”
- New Online Recurring Gifts
- Sun, Jan 26, 11:30 am – Annual Meeting & Potluck
- Poll: New 5 pm Wednesday Eucharist?

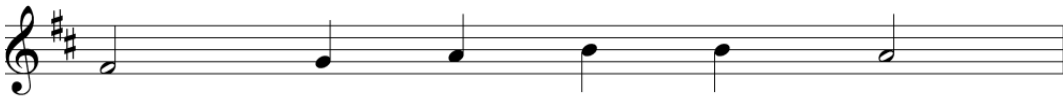
The Holy Communion

Offertory

“Christ When for Us You Were Baptized”



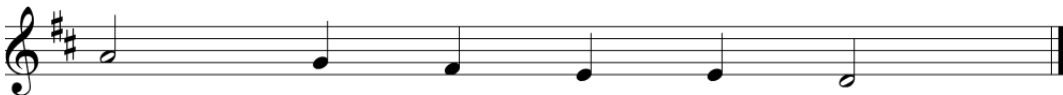
1. Christ, when for us you were bap - tized,
2. God called you his be - lov - ed Son,
3. Straight - way and stead - fast un - til death
4. Bap - tize us with your Spi - rit, Lord,



God's Spi - rit on you came,
called you his ser - vant true,
you then o - beyed his call
your cross on us be signed,



as peac - ful as a dove and yet
sent you his king - dom to pro - claim,
free - ly as Son of Man to serve
that, like - wise in God's ser - vice we



as ur - gent as a flame.
his ho - ly will to do.
and give your life for all.
may per - fect free - dom find.

* **The Presentation**

“Doxology”

Celebration 815

* **The Great Thanksgiving**

Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant The LORD be with you.

“Sursum Corda” Hymnal # S-120

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 our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

A Preface for Baptism: Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.



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”

Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly
ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and earth are
filled with your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless-ed is He who comes in the name of the
Lord of the Lord Ho - san - na in the
high - est, ho - san - na in the high est.

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again;

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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!

The Lord's Prayer

BCP p. 364

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

All Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

* **Fraction Anthem** *“Come to the Table of Mercy”* Celebration # 464

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.



Communion Notes: Communion is offered in two kinds: bread and wine. One may receive the bread alone, dip it into the wine, or drink from the chalice after consuming the bread. Sealed, pre-packaged containers of bread and wine are available. Gluten-free bread may be requested by crossing one's hands palms-down. All manners of reception are valid, and all are welcome to come forward to receive Communion or a blessing.

Communion Hymn *“Come, Share the Lord”* Celebration # 462

* **Postcommunion Prayer & Blessing** BCP p. 365

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: 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

