

ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Shawnee, Kansas



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A SERVICE OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

January 10, 2021

The Opening Hymn

*On Jordan's Bank
The Hymnal 1983 #76*

1 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
announces that the Lord is nigh;
awake and hearken, for he brings
glad tidings of the King of kings.

2 Then cleansed be every breast from sin;
make straight the way for God within,
and let each heart prepare a home
where such a mighty guest may come.

3 For thou art our salvation, Lord,
our refuge and our great reward;
without thy grace we waste away
like flowers that wither and decay.

4 To heal the sick stretch out thine hand,
and bid the fallen sinner stand;
shine forth, and let thy light restore
earth's own true loveliness once more.

5 All praise, eternal Son, to thee,
whose advent doth thy people free;
whom with the Father we adore
and Holy Spirit evermore.

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Douglas(1867-1944), after John Chandler (1806-1876);alt.
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THE WORD OF GOD

The Opening Acclamation

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

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

Said all together

**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.**

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 Old Testament 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.**

The Psalm 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.**

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 New Testament 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.**

Gospel Anthem

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song
The Hymnal 1982 #513

1 Like the murmur of the dove's song
Like the challenge of her flight
Like the vigour of the wind's rush
Like the new flame's eager might
Come Holy Spirit come

2 To the members of Christ's Body
To the branches of the Vine
To the church in faith assembled
To her midst as gift and sign
Come Holy Spirit come

3 With the healing of division
With the ceaseless voice of prayer
With the power to love and witness
With the peace beyond compare
Come Holy Spirit come

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The Gospel **Mark 1 : 4 – 11**

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

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."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

Sermon

The Reverend Jonathan Brice



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The Nicene Creed

All stand 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 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**



Prayers of the People

January 10, 2020

The First Sunday after the Epiphany

*God has called us out of darkness into the glorious light of the Son. Let us therefore pray for those who do not yet know the light and for all those in need of prayers, saying: **Lord, hear our prayer.***

For the church and its ministry to the world, for all bishops and clergy, for missionaries, and for all those who bring the gospel of Jesus Christ to the nations, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For the nations of the world and their leaders, for all those in authority, and for an end to war and oppression, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For those who have not heard the good news of salvation, for those who have heard but have not believed, and for those who have forsaken their faith, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For the lonely and destitute, for the victims of injustice and discrimination, for the unloved and the forgotten, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for Anglican Church of Australia

In the World Council of Churches Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for people of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates, Oman, Yemen, Iran and Iraq

In the Kansas Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for Trinity, Arkansas City

Let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For Those Serving in the Armed Forces: Devon Allen; Murphy Bright; Ben Dible; Coy Goodman; Michael Green; Harvey Hayselden; Drew Hunnicutt; Benjamin Karpinski; Patrick McAnerney; Alex Shaw; Jose Te'o; Brian Wichaël; Collin Kelly; Macauley Garton; Frank Bednar; Grant Bednar

Let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For Health & Strength: Marcia Streepy; the family of Wayne White; Annie Bax; Craig Knabel; Candace Harvey; Rose Youngs; The Family of Keala Kauanui; the Family of Steve Osborne; Jeanne and Bruce Miller;; Karen Mitchell; Frankie Woodman; Jerome; Christy and Family; Jim, Danny and Michelle; John Howell; Dixie Moss; Doug and Arlene Finney; Judy Ball; Charlene Lassiter; Charlie Luetje ; Barbara Alexander; Janet Kay; Dakota and Cyd Pfeiffer; Mililani Hayselden; Courtney Canova; Curtis Smith; James Johann; Maxine Liebst; Elizabeth Appleyard; Adam Griest; Roger Aton; Craig & Jeanette Burris; Anthony Straker; Jack Harris; "Spike" Speicher; the Hoffmann family,

especially John Hoffman; Florence Kirkland; Michael Siragusa; Jeanne McDowell; Ken Hoag; Matt Hunnicut; Joanne Diviney; Geraldine; Richard Mann; Don Hoffman; Ginger Waters; Maxine Jones; Jonell Knodel; Athyana McElwee; Lana Rae, Evan Higgins; Homer Nash; Kristy Maendele; Deb Callaway, Jim Darnell, Stephanie Robertson and family; Budd Hughes;

Let us pray to the Lord: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For Birthdays: Dr. Wayne Fowler Jr.; Debra Callaway; Stephen Kniggendorf

Let us pray to the Lord: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For Anniversaries: Ed and Lynda Perkins; Chuck and Judy Owens;
Dr. Wayne and Debbie Fowler Jr.

Let us pray to the Lord: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For the saints who have gone before us in the faith and are now at rest, and for all the saints on earth who surround us in a great fellowship of love, let us pray to the Lord:
Lord, hear our prayer.

Loving God, hear the prayers of your faithful people, and guide our thoughts and actions, so that your will may be done and your name glorified, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Birthday Prayer

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Anniversary Prayer

O gracious and ever living God, look mercifully upon this couple who come to you seeking your blessing on this their anniversary, continue assisting them with your grace, that with true fidelity and steadfast love they may honor and keep the promises and vows they have made; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin

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

Priest 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.**

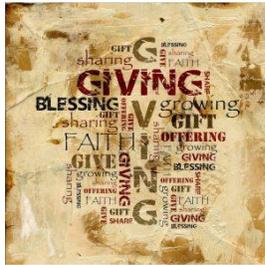
Priest

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 Exchange of Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**



The Offertory Sentence

Celebrant

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

Offertory Anthem

Improvisation on Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern

Jacob Hofeling

The Presentation of Bread



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

Standing as you are able.

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.**

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.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

**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.

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:

Celebrant and People

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.

Celebrant

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

The Lord's Prayer

(All 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 Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

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

Post Communion Hymn

Come My Way, My Truth, My Life
The Hymnal 1982 #487

1. Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life:
such a way as gives us breath;
such a truth as ends all strife;
such a life as killeth death.

2. Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength:
such a light as shows a feast;
such a feast as mends in length;
such a strength as makes his guest.

3. Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:
such a joy as none can move;
such a love as none can part;
such a heart as joys in love.

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A spiritual communion is a devotional action that anyone can pray. It expresses the desire to receive Holy Communion at a moment where circumstances impede them from actually receiving the consecrated bread and wine.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as I proclaim your resurrection. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Priest

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Announcements

The Closing Hymn

Hail to the Lord's Anointed
The Hymnal 1982 #616

1 Hail to the Lord's Anointed,
great David's greater Son!
Hail, in the time appointed,
his reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression,
to set the captive free;
to take away transgression,
and rule in equity.

2 He comes with succor speedy
to those who suffer wrong,
to help the poor and needy,
and bid the weak be strong;
to give them songs for sighing,
their darkness turn to light,
whose souls, condemned and
dying, were precious in his sight.

3 He shall come down like
showers
upon the fruitful earth,
and love, joy, hope, like flowers,
spring in his path to birth;
before him on the mountains
shall peace, the herald, to;
and righteousness in fountains
from hill to valley flow.

Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854); para. of Psalm 72

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The Dismissal

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

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**



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