

# ST LUKE'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Atlanta, Georgia

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

January 10, 2021 | 10 AM

### THE WORD OF GOD

Voluntary

Pastorale

César Franck

Opening Hymn

Hymnal 616 "Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

*Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*

1 Hail to the Lord's A - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er Son!  
2 He comes with suc - cor speed - y to those who suf - fer wrong,  
3 He shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit - ful earth,  
4 Kings shall bow down be - fore him, and gold and in - cense bring;  
5 O'er ev - ery foe vic - to - rious, he on his throne shall rest;

1 Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, his reign on earth be - gun!  
2 to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong;  
3 and love, joy, hope, like flow - ers, spring in his path to birth:  
4 all na - tions shall a - dore him, his praise all peo - ple sing;  
5 from age to age more glo - rious, all bless - ing and all - blest:

1 He comes to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive free;  
2 to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to light,  
3 be - fore him on the moun - tains shall peace, the her - ald, go;  
4 to him shall prayer un - ceas - ing and dai - ly vows a - scend;  
5 the tide of time shall nev - er his cov - e - nant re - move;

1 to take a - way trans - gres - sion, and rule in eq - ui - ty.  
2 whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, were pre - cious in his sight.  
3 and right - eous - ness in foun - tains from hill to val - ley flow.  
4 his king - dom still in - creas - ing, a king - dom with - out end.  
5 his Name shall stand for ev - er, his change - less Name of Love.

## The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is Risen.

People: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Celebrant: There is one Body and one Spirit

People: There is one hope in God's call to us;

Celebrant: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People: One God and Creator of all.

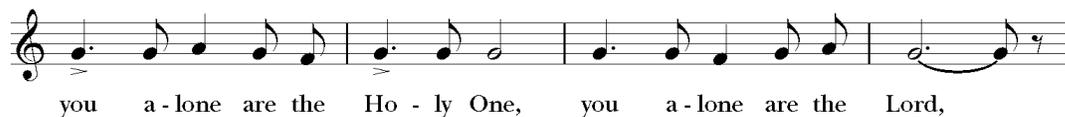
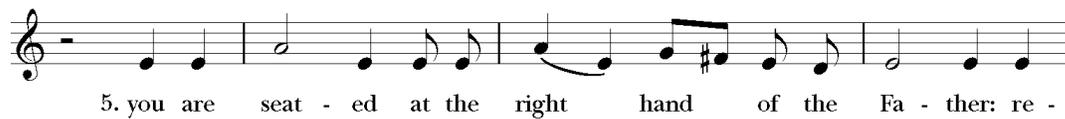
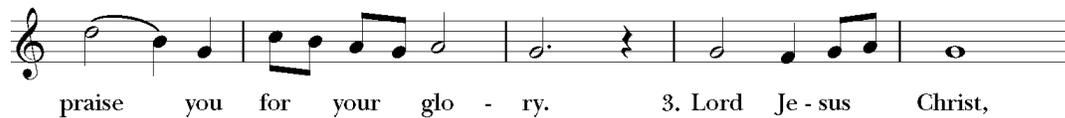
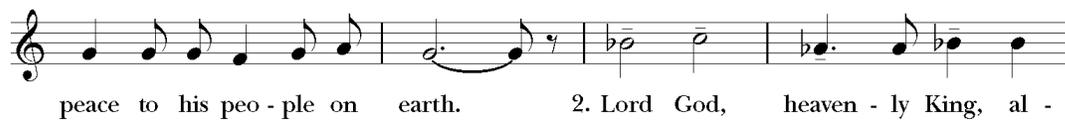
### *Celebrant*

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.

## The Gloria

Hymnal S-278 "Glory to God"

William Mathias



7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the  
 Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of  
 God the Fa-ther. A-men.

**The Collect of the Day**

Celebrant: God 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 First Lesson: Genesis 1:1-5**

Greg Vaughn

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. But the earth became chaos and emptiness, and darkness came over the face of the Deep—yet the Spirit of God was brooding over the surface of the waters. Then God said, “Light; Be!” and light was. God saw that light was good, and God separated light from darkness. God called the light “Day” and the darkness “Night.” Evening came, and morning followed—the first day.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**The Holy Gospel: Mark 1:4-11**

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

And so John the Baptizer appeared in the desert, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to John and were baptized by him in the Jordan River as they confessed their sins. John was clothed in camel’s hair and wore a leather belt around his waist, and he ate nothing but grasshoppers and wild honey. In the course of his preaching, John said, “One more powerful than I is to come after me. I am not fit to stoop and untie his sandal straps. I have baptized you in water, but the One to come will baptize you in the Holy Spirit.” It was then that Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized in the Jordan River by John. Immediately upon coming out of the water, Jesus saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. Then a voice came from the heavens: “You are my Beloved, my Own. On you my favor rests.”

The Gospel of our Savior.

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

**The Sermon**

The Rev. Elizabeth Shows Caffey

*A period of silence is kept.*

### **The Renewal of Baptismal Vows**

Celebrant: Dear People of God: Our Savior Jesus Christ sealed the Paschal mystery of his death and resurrection in his ascension and gift of the Holy Spirit. That same Spirit continues to invite God's people by the waters of Baptism into a spiritual journey towards communion with God, the people of God, and all God's creation. I call upon you, therefore, to renew your own baptismal covenant.

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*

Almighty God, from whom every family in heaven and earth is named, grant us each to be strengthened with our gifts of the Holy Spirit, that, with Christ dwelling in our hearts by faith, we may be filled with all the fullness of God. **Amen.**

## The Prayers of the People

Ann Cramer

### *Celebrant*

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. *Isaiah 60:1*

### *Lector*

You who by the leading of a star, guided the Magi to the brightness of the Holy Child of Bethlehem, lead us to the light of revelation, that we may value and honor the varied gifts of our sisters and brothers.

### *Silence*

Christ, be our light  
**Shine in our hearts.**

You who delivered your people from the misery of bondage in slavery to the land of promise, set us free from enslavement to division, disunity, and distrust in our public life and labor. Illumine those in authority with the light of vision.

### *Silence*

Christ, be our light  
**Shine in our hearts.**

You who patterned the stars and called the sun into being, who appointed the moon and chartered the cosmos, pattern the hearts of people everywhere to see in each other the beauty of the universe and the splendor of creation, that divisions of race, class, gender, and ethnicity may be recreated into one common humanity. We delight especially in the marriage of Michelle LeClair and Tena Clarkand in our friends at San Pablo parish in Camaguay Cuba.

### *Silence*

Christ, be our light  
**Shine in our hearts.**

You who shower comfort and hope to the lowest, the lost, and the least, shower the light of compassion on the sick, the sorrowful, and the suffering, including Gina, Pam, Ed, Mary Ann, Charles, Winifred, Adelaide, Richard, Alan, Jan, Mac, James, Jeff, and Eleanor. Help us to be your compassion and hope in the world.

### *Silence*

Christ, be our light  
**Shine in our hearts.**

You who welcome into the brilliant light of eternity those who have died, including James L. Wright, Jennie Doyle, Tyler Surrency, Rudolph Boehner, Kennedy Maxie, Tommy Ripley, Henry Louttit, Peggy Griffin, and George Regas, and the one for whom the altar flowers are given: Katrina Hartman Ripley, and welcome those whose lives have been cut short by violence, warfare, and strife. Shine the light of hope.

### *Silence*

Christ, be our light  
**Shine in our hearts.**

You who delight in the complexity and splendor of creation, help us to delight in the diversity of this earth, our island home. Inspire your people to care for all you have made.

### *Silence*

Christ, be our light  
**Shine in our hearts.**

## Concluding Collect

May Christ, the Morning Star who knows no setting, find us ever burning with the light of love, the spirit of truth, and the wellspring of hope. **Amen.**

## The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## Offertory

### Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant: God 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 our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, 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

Hymnal S-128 "Holy, holy, holy Lord"

William Mathias



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,  
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the  
high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

### *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 Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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 and People*

**We remember Christ's death,  
We proclaim Christ's resurrection,  
We await Christ's coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior 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 in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, 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 children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

**The Lord's Prayer**

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**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.**

**At the Breaking of the Bread**

**Celebrant:** Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**People:** Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

**Fraction Anthem**

Hymnal S-154 "Christ, our passover"

David Hurd

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
there - fore let us keep the feast.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### The Invitation

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.

### Distribution of Communion

*The communion table at St. Luke's is open to all regardless of faith background.*

### During Communion

Anthem *Deep River*

arr., Moses Hogan

Adelaide Boedecker Griffin, *soprano*

Deep river, my home is over Jordan,  
Deep river, Lord,  
I want to cross over into campground.  
Oh, don't you want to go to that gospel feast,  
That promised land where all is peace?  
Oh, deep river, Lord,  
I want to cross over into campground.

—*Traditional Spiritual*

### The Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of 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 Savior. Amen.

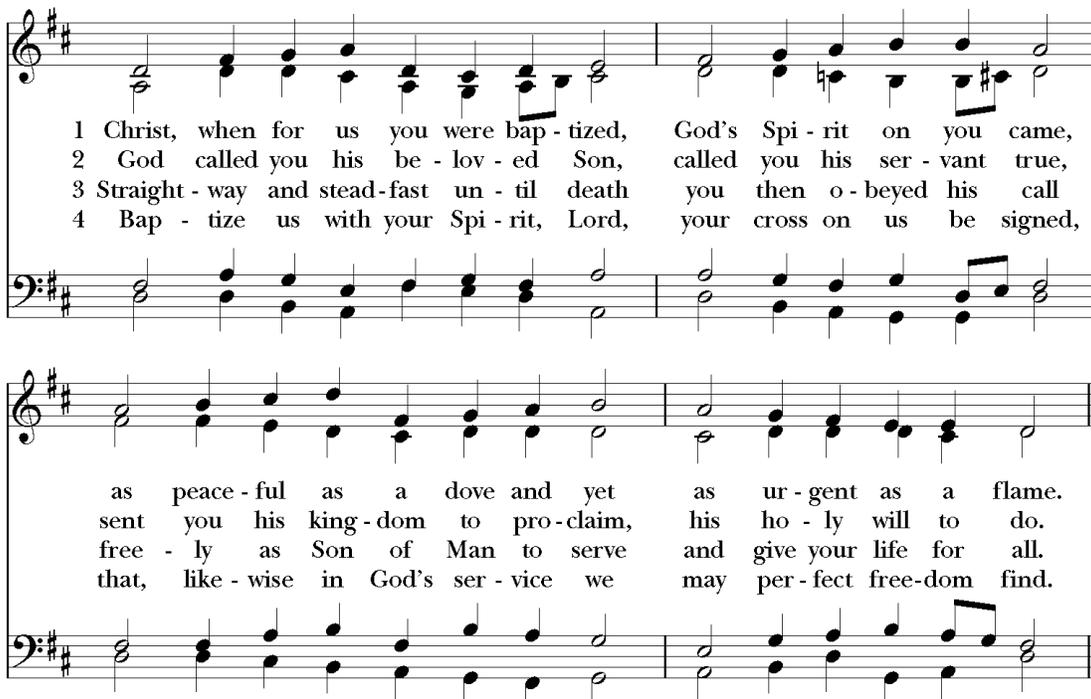
### The Blessing

May Christ, the song of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Creator, the Redeemer, and the Sustainer of life, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

### Closing Hymn

Hymnal 121 "Christ when for us you were baptized"

*Caithness*



1 Christ, when for us you were bap-tized, God's Spi-rit on you came,  
2 God called you his be-lov-ed Son, called you his ser-vant true,  
3 Straight-way and stead-fast un-til death you then o-beyed his call  
4 Bap-tize us with your Spi-rit, Lord, your cross on us be signed,  
as peace-ful as a dove and yet as ur-gent as a flame.  
sent you his king-dom to pro-claim, his ho-ly will to do.  
free-ly as Son of Man to serve and give your life for all.  
that, like-wise in God's ser-vice we may per-fect free-dom find.

**The Dismissal**

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve Jesus Christ, our Savior

People: Thanks be to God.

**Voluntary**

*Rondo*

John Bull

*Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, St. Luke's welcomes you!*

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The Rev. Ed Bacon  
The Rev. Elizabeth Shows Caffey  
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