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St. Paul's Cathedral Burlington, Vermont

The First Sunday After the Epiphany: The Baptism of Jesus ✠ January 12, 2025
The Holy Eucharist ✠ 10:00 a.m.

Welcome to the Cathedral Church of St. Paul! We are glad you are worshiping alongside us today. You are welcome here. All of who you are is welcome here.

If you are new to the Episcopal Church, you may wish to note a few things about our worship style. In general, we stand to sing and pray, and to hear the Gospel (the Good News) of Jesus Christ. We sit to hear other scripture and to listen to the preacher. You may notice that some people choose, at certain times, to kneel, or to make the sign of the cross on their body, or to bow. You may do any, all, or none of those things. Kneelers are located under the table in the back of the church, should you wish to use one.

CHILDREN are always welcome in the service, as is their wiggling and whispering, and their need to move and explore. There is a children's activity area in the back of the church for use as needed. Sunday School for children aged four through grade eight is available most Sundays after the service, beginning around 11:10 downstairs. There is no formal nursery, but please feel free to explore the space and how it might meet your needs.

ADULT FORMATION is held downstairs after the service most Sundays. Grab a cup of coffee and a snack and join us! You can also just hang out with your coffee and snacks and chat with one another.

You can find most everything you need in this bulletin. The **MUSIC** we sing is found within this bulletin or in the blue *Hymnal 1982* found either on your seat or in the rack under the seat in front of you.

IF YOU ARE NEW to this community and wish to know more about it or to receive our weekly e-mail newsletters, please fill out a green card located on the table in the back of the church and either leave it on the table or hand it to the clergy or an usher. We would love to know you more fully!

Finally, a word about **COMMUNION** (Lord's Supper, Eucharist) – the bread and wine. The table fellowship we experience together is for everyone. Everyone. It is a grace freely given by the one who loves us so very much. And it's for you.

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January 12, 2025

10:00 a.m. The Holy Eucharist

This service is livestreamed on YouTube

Opening Voluntary: *Christ our Lord came to the Jordan*

Dieterich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

The Word of God

All stand for the Opening Hymn as the choir and clergy enter.

Hymn 448 *O love, how deep, how broad, how high*

Celebrant
People

Blessed are you, holy and living One.

You come to your people and set them free.

We sing the Gloria



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, hea - ven - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,

we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

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.

Setting David Hurd (b. 1950)

The Celebrant says the Collect of the Day, a short prayer to bring focus to the community's worship:

Celebrant

God be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray. *Stillness*

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.

People

Amen.

We sit to hear a reading from the Old Testament

Reader

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

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."

Isaiah 43:1-7

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

People

Thanks be to God. *Stillness follows.*

We remain seated and the choir sings Psalm 29

Chant Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

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 Kadesh.

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 evermore.

The Lord shall give strength to his people; * the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

We stand for the Alleluia Tract and to hear a reading from the life of Jesus. The refrain is sung by the choir once, then repeated by the full congregation. The choir then sings the verse and the full congregation responds with the refrain.



Al - le, al - le - lu - ia, al - le, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

All of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

Deacon The Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Deacon 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."

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord;

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

The Sermon *The preacher breaks open the scripture.*

The Very Revd Greta Getlein

After the sermon stillness is held. Then all stand for the Affirmation of Faith:

All **You, O God, are supreme and holy.
You create our world and give us life.
Your purpose overarches everything we do.
You have always been with us. You are God.**

**You, O God, are infinitely generous,
good beyond all measure.
You came to us before we came to you.
You have revealed and proved your love for us in Jesus Christ,
who lived and died and rose again.
You are with us now. You are God.**

**You, O God, are Holy Spirit.
You empower us to be your gospel in the world.
You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.**

You are God. We worship you.

We offer prayer for the Church, the world, those in need, and those who have died, and we give thanks for God's blessings. After each petition:

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant concludes the prayers with a Collect

The Deacon leads us in the Confession of Sin.

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Stillness is held.*

All **Have mercy upon us, most merciful God;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Celebrant pronounces God's pardon, the people responding, Amen.

All then stand for the exchange of the Peace.

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.** *We greet those nearest us with a sign of God's peace.*

We sit for a word of welcome and announcements.

The Celebrant offers a sentence of encouragement as we consider the offerings of our life and labor to the Lord.

The Holy Communion

Ushers pass a plate to collect offerings for the work of the Church. Electronic giving is available through our website by scanning the QR code on the yellow announcements sheet or using the Tip Tap Pay kiosk in the main entrance.

The choir sings an anthem.

*Jesu, joy of man's desiring,
holy wisdom, love most bright:
drawn by thee, our souls, aspiring,
soar to uncreated height.
Word of God, our flesh that fashioned,
with the fire of life impassioned,
thou dost ever lead thine own
in the ways of love unknown.*

Words Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930). • Music J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

The gifts of bread and wine, and the fruits of our labors are brought forward. The Table is set and we sing an Offertory Hymn. During the hymn, children are welcome to join the clergy at the altar.

Hymn 121 Christ, when for us you were baptized

We remain standing for the Great Thanksgiving.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant *People*
 God be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
 Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant *People*
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues with the prayer, leading to the singing of the Sanctus

Celebrant

...Angels and Archangels and all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
 earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless'd is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting David Hurd (b. 1950)

The people stand or kneel as the Celebrant continues. After the words over the bread and wine, we then join in the Memorial Acclamation

Celebrant
People

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

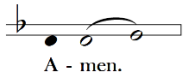
**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues the prayer, which ends

Celebrant

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.

People



Celebrant
All

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

Musical notation for the beginning of the Lord's Prayer, consisting of two staves (treble and bass clefs) with a flat key signature. The lyrics are: "Our Fa-ther in hea-ven, hal-low'd be your Name, your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea-ven."

Musical notation for the middle of the Lord's Prayer, consisting of two staves (treble and bass clefs) with a flat key signature. The lyrics are: "Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of trial,"

Musical notation for the end of the Lord's Prayer, consisting of two staves (treble and bass clefs) with a flat key signature. The lyrics are: "and de-liv-er us from e - vil. For the king-dom, the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A-men." The word "pow'r, and the" is written below the treble staff.

The Celebrant breaks (fractures) the bread. After a period of stillness we sing the Fraction Anthem.

Musical notation for the Fraction Anthem, consisting of four staves (all treble clefs) with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The lyrics are: "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."

Setting David Hurd (b. 1950)

The Celebrant invites us to share in the Eucharistic feast; The table fellowship we experience together is for everyone. The bread may be received directly into your hand, one palm crossed over the other. The wine may be taken by sipping from the cup or touching the bread to the cup or by using the small bowl to dip the bread into the wine (this is called intinction). Gluten-free wafers are available; please indicate your need at the time you receive Communion. Those who prefer not to receive the sacrament may ask for a blessing, crossing arms, fingertips touching the shoulders. During Communion we sing a hymn.

1. Sweet Sac - ra - ment di - vine, Hid in thine earth - ly home;
 2. Sweet Sac - ra - ment of peace, Dear home of ev - 'ry heart,
 3. Sweet Sac - ra - ment of rest, Ark from the o - cean's roar,
 4. Sweet Sac - ra - ment di - vine, Earth's light and ju - bi - lee,

Lo! round thy low - ly shrine, With sup - pliant hearts we come;
 Where rest - less yearn - ings cease, And sor - rows all de - part.
 With - in thy shel - ter blest Soon may we reach the shore;
 In thy far depths doth shine The God - head's maj - es - ty;

Je - sus, to thee our voice we raise In songs of love and
 There in thine ear all trust - ful - ly We tell our tale of
 Save us, for still the tem - pest raves; Save, lest we sink be -
 Sweet light, so shine on us, we pray That earth - ly joys may

heart - felt praise, Sweet Sac - ra - ment di - vine, Sweet Sac - ra - ment di - vine.
 mi - se - ry, Sweet Sac - ra - ment of peace, Sweet Sac - ra - ment of peace.
 neath the waves: Sweet Sac - ra - ment of rest, Sweet Sac - ra - ment of rest.
 fade a - way: Sweet Sac - ra - ment di - vine, Sweet Sac - ra - ment di - vine.

Words and Music Francis Stanfield (1835-1914)

When all have received and the table is cleared a period of stillness is observed. Then all stand and sing,
Hymn 616 Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Bread and wine may be given to a member of the congregation to take to those who are sick or shut in.

Celebrant In the name of this congregation I send you forth, bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go (*may name aloud*) may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many are one body, for we all share one bread, one cup.**

Remaining standing, we say this Prayer after Communion:

Celebrant Let us pray. *Stillness*

All **God of abundance,
 you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
 you have united us with Christ and one another;
 and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.**

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Celebrant offers a blessing over the People who respond,
People **Amen.**

The Deacon sends us forth with these words:
Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The People may remain and listen to the organ music that follows or may leave quietly, so as not to disturb those who stay to listen. All are invited to join us for coffee and snacks downstairs.

Closing Voluntary: *Prelude on Divine Mysteries*

Peter S. Berton (born 1968)



SERVING IN THE LITURGY TODAY

<i>Verger</i>	Alice Van Buren	<i>Lector</i>	Nancy Snyder
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OTHER SCRIPTURE APPOINTED FOR TODAY

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.

Notes on today's music: The **communion hymn** and its tune, *Divine Mysteries*, were written by The Rev. Francis Stanfield, an English priest who worked in London's Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Westminster. He published over a dozen devotional hymns including one set to a tune written in about 1878 by Edward Elgar. Stanfield's father, the prominent marine painter Clarkson Frederick Stanfield, was named for the slave trade abolitionist Thomas Clarkson and was a personal friend of Charles Dickens. This tune is the basis of a congregational communion service setting being adapted for our use (to be introduced in February); **today's postlude** reinforces familiarity with the tune.

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