



St. Paul's Episcopal
CHURCH

THE HOLY EUCHARIST
First Sunday after Epiphany
The Baptism of our Lord

Processional Hymn: 510 Come Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove v.1,2,3,4

Celebrant Blessed be God Father Son and Holy Spirit
People And blessed be His Kingdom now and Forever and 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

Hymn S-280 "Gloria" Robert Powell

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant continues

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 People are seated.

The Lesson

Isaiah 43:1-7

Lector A reading from the Book of Isaiah

Muna Houdari

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."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Psalm 29 *responsively by half verse*

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.

Lector Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy spirit
People As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever.

The Epistle

Acts 8:14-17

Lector A reading from the Book of Acts

Lily Attallah

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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 679 Surely It Is God Who Saves Me v. 1,2 then 1

The Gospel

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

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

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. "

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Canon Raja Zabaneh

The Nicene Creed

The Celebrant and People say

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 for 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.

The Prayers of the People

Becky Webb

God of light and life our prayers rise before you this day in hope and faith.

We pray for your church, for our diocese of Florida, John our bishop, Raja our priest, all clergy and people..

. God in your Mercy **For your sake we ask**

Flame of abundant love, be our Joy in proclaiming your Good News to the world.

God in your Mercy **For your sake we ask**

We pray for all who are coming to faith, all who wonder about faith, and all who are struggling with faith, Light of all creation, guide us to lead, teach and nurture your disciples.

God in your mercy **For your sake we ask**

We pray for those in need of food, shelter, clothing, and of God's healing touch, especially those for whom our prayers are especially desired. Comforter of the suffering, warm our hands to loving service

God in your mercy **For your sake we ask**

We pray for the world, especially where there is trouble and suffering, far away or nearby. Ember of steadfast care, fuel our passion to challenge injustice and violence and to pursue peace and reconciliation

God in your mercy **For your sake we ask**

The Celebrant

God of radiant light, your love illumines our hopes before we know them, And our needs before we ask. Kindle your flame within us, that in our prayers and service, we may know your transforming presence at work in the world around us. All this we ask through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

The Confession of Sin

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

Celebrant 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.

The Celebrant continues

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 Peace

The People stand.

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

Welcome and Announcements

Offertory Hymn **Lord Send Out Your Spirit**
Offertory Response 380 v.3 Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

THE HOLY COMMUNION

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 God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People *Glory to you for ever and ever.*

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People *By your will they were created and have their being.*

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People *Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.*

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People *By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.*

Celebrant And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

The Celebrant and People sing

Sanctus Hymnal S-125 Richard Proulx

The People stand or kneel.

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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.”

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People *We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.*

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name. Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread. Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. AMEN.

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

THE LORD’S PRAYER

The Celebrant continues

The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Jesus Christ died and raised for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving

Please join us at God’s table. All baptized people are welcome to receive communion. Everyone is welcome to come to the altar for a blessing.

Communion Song **304 I Come With Joy to Meet My Lord**

The Post Communion Prayer

After Communion the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and ever living God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the people.

Recessional: **511 Holy Spirit, Ever Living v. 1,2,1**

The Dismissal

Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia

Announcements

I was glad when they said to me, “let us go to the house of the Lord” Psalm 122:1”

Wednesday January, 19th 2022

Logos Group Bible Study at 10 Am at Bocher Hall

The Fruits of the Spirit

Sunday 23th January 2022

Celebration Sunday

A Video about the Alpha course will be shown at Bocher Hall

Open registration for the Alpha Course

Outreach Ministry

Arlington Community Services.

The ACS December, Distribution 16,000 pounds of food
fed 257 clients,
49 homeless

helped 11 families with rent or JEA! Please continue to help ACS

Pantry needs

Toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, laundry detergent, small toiletries, gently used books for all ages, and clean T-shirts for our homeless.

Sermon Notes

Soul Nourishment
Isaiah 42 & 43