

CHRIST AND SAINT LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

JANUARY 7, 2024, 10:15 a.m.

All page numbers refer to the Book of Common Prayer. Hymns can be found in the blue Hymnal 1982.

Service music, marked with an 'S', may be found in the front portion of the hymnal.

PRELUDE: Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern, BuxWV 223

Dietrich Buxtehude

Please stand at the ringing of the Tower Bell.

HYMN 117: Brightest and best of the stars of the morning

Morning Star

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION & THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

People **And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

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 Father of all.**

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 FIRST LESSON

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 29

Henry G. Ley



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 | glo·ry | thunders *
the Lord is upon · the | might·y | waters.
4. The voice of the Lord is a | power·ful | 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. (2nd part) 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 | ever|more.
11. The Lord shall give | strength · to his | people *
the Lord shall give his | people · the | blessing · of | peace.

THE SECOND LESSON

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN 121: Christ, when for us you were baptized

Caithness

THE GOSPEL

Mark 1:4-11

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

The Reverend Noah Van Niel

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Susannah Ruth Catanese, Henry Halbach, Elizabeth Grace Nolen, John Zrenner Sides

Celebrant The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents I present *N.* to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Celebrant Will you be responsible for seeing that the children you present are brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help these children to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents I will, with God's help.

Then the Celebrant asks the following questions:

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer I do.

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer I do.

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer I do.

The Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People **We will.**

Celebrant Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT *(please stand)*

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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 cherish the wondrous works of God, and protect and restore the beauty and integrity of all creation?

People **I will, with God's help.**

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.**

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

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Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth:

Leader Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Send them into the world in witness to your love.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

(please be seated)

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE BAPTISM

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N., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

N., you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People **We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

THE PEACE *(please stand)*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: Tomorrow shall be my dancing day

John Gardner

Tomorrow shall be my dancing day; I would my true love did so chance
To see the legend of my play, to call my true love to my dance;
Sing, oh my love, oh my love, my love, my love,
This have I done for my true love.

Then was I born of a virgin pure, of her I took fleshly substance
Thus was I knit to man's nature to call my true love to my dance.

In a manger laid, and wrapped I was so very poor, this was my chance,
Betwixt an ox and a silly poor ass, to call my true love to my dance.

Then afterwards baptized I was; the Holy Ghost on me did glance,
My Father's voice heard from above, to call my true love to my dance.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Enriching Our Worship

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 our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

SANCTUS: Hymnal S 129

Robert Powell

The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

...Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

FRACTION ANTHEM: Hymnal S 163

Robert Powell

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

COMMUNION ANTHEM: Sicut cervus

Giovanni Perluigi da Palestrina

As the deer yearns for springs of water: so my soul yearns for you, God.

-Psalm 42

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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Celebrant Let us pray.

People Almighty and everliving 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

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

People Thanks be to God.

HYMN 135: Songs of thankfulness and praise

Salzburg

POSTLUDE: Sinfonia, from Cantata 29

Johann Sebastian Bach

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Hugh Warren, Jr. by Robert Warren.*

WE INVITE YOUR PRAYERS

If you would like to be added to the Prayer List, please contact a member of clergy or BJ Taylor, Facilitator for Pastoral and Congregational Care (taylorasc@aol.com).

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Scottish Episcopal Church.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Mark's, Hampton; St. John's, Hampton.

All those facing illness, surgery, injury or adversity, especially: Ron Baldrige, Caroline Ballard, Greg Deutsch, John Ford, Cy Grandy, Stephanie Harris, Matt Hickman, Robert Hitchings, Frank Kirchner, Susan Schrodt, Leonard Strider and Rick Voight. We pray for the safety of those who are deployed, Lt. Col. John Goulart, Lt. Michael Ortiz, and Lt. R.J. Scheuerle, M.D. We pray for the people of Ukraine and for peace in the Holy Land.

Those who ask for our continuing prayers: Carter Bernert, Tom Bolt, Bishop Michael Curry, David Durica, Marilyn Gindroz, Ray Gindroz, Bernie Ham, Dan Haworth, Mollie Lundie, Wayne Lundie, Bahmann Massoud, Bill McAree, Leon Parham, William Swan, Tim Taylor, Irene Wenger, and Carter White.

Our loved ones needing continuing prayers: Catherine Blackwood, Eleanora Woloy Brown, Caroline Cooling, Carlo DiTommaso, John Walker Enright, Bea Greenlaw, Edna Harrison, Judy Holt, Tom Jenkins, Lillian Kenison, James Kilavey, Brandon Kyle, Ed Muth, B.J. Norden, Larry Peters, Sandra Peters, Jason Primm, Dennis Provost, Jeff Scheumann, Mavis Stapleford, Autumn Vandehei, Harry Ware, and Nancy Wiggins.

This week's Birthdays: Jan. 8 - 14

Gray Grandy, Sandra Ewell, Robin Ingram, Raymond Norton, Jennifer Palmer, Dinah Reynolds, Stephen Taylor, Nicholas Welch, and Joey Welch.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSIC & LITURGY

The Baptism of Our Lord – Sunday, January 7, 2023

Today is a special day at Christ and St. Luke's. It is the day where we celebrate Jesus' own baptism by John in the river Jordan. As such, it's one of the four days in the life of the church especially appropriate for Baptism. We are fortunate to have four baptisms this week at the 10:15 service! Please join us as we celebrate the close of Christmas, the beginning of Epiphany, and to welcome new members into the life of the church. As we do come to the close of Christmas, we wanted to take a moment to say thank you to all that made this wonderful season possible. So many people gave of their time and talent to make this Holy season bright - our pageant families, our choir, our worship leaders, our altar guild, our flower guild, and so many others. Thank You! Check out these photos below from some of our joyous celebrations.

FORMATION

Childcare and Children's Chapel - Sunday Opportunities for Children:

- **9:00 - 10:00 a.m. Nursery** The 3 and under crowd will meet in the Children's Room (the blue room in the Parish House at the end of the hallway before the stairs) for childcare if their parents are attending adult formation or sing in the choir.
- **9:00 a.m. Children's Formation** Children 4 and older will gather in the meeting room (the gold room) for what was formerly known as "Sunday School." We will explore scripture and the traditions of the Episcopal church through stories, music, and art response.
- **10:15 a.m. Children's Chapel**

All children participate in developmentally appropriate worship during Children's Chapel in their respective rooms. Children rejoin their families at the Peace. If you have a child under the age of 3 whom you would like to stay in childcare for the remainder of the service, just let Henri know when you sign them in!

CSL Youth Meeting January 14, 2024, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

All middle and high school students are invited to our first youth group meeting of 2024! We will meet in Lower Lloyd Hall. Dinner, games, and fun are included. Contact Kathy Hanna for more information.

Ecumenism: Good News for the Whole World – Sundays, 9:15 a.m. beginning January 14

Ecumenism is the study of relationships among religious groups who share faith in Jesus. It is practiced with an eye toward unity, not uniformity. Featuring guest speakers from several different popular Christian traditions, including our guest preacher Will Willimon, this adult formation class will be a time to ask questions and learn how to be a good neighbor to our siblings in Christ. This adult formation series will run from January 14 through February 11, meeting in Lloyd Hall.

Youth Confirmation Class– Beginning Tuesday, January 16, 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

If you have a young person (13 or older) interested in learning more about the Episcopal Church and where they are on their faith journey, this is the class to take. This will be a joint endeavor with St. Paul's Episcopal Church. We will meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month, beginning in January and culminating in June with confirmation for those who desire to receive that sacrament. Confirmation will be on *Sunday, June 2, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.* Please contact Kathy Hanna with any questions and if you are interested.

ADMINISTRATION

Annual Lector Training – Sunday, January 14, 2024, following the 10:15 a.m. service

If you plan on serving as a lector in 2024, this training session is for you! Join us Sunday January, 14, 2024 in the choir stalls following the 10:15 service. Fr. Noah will be leading us in this fun and important hour of training. Whether a new or experienced lector, this session is strongly encouraged! Please email Judie with any questions: office@christandstlukes.org

Diocesan EM Training - Saturday, January 13, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Minister training is being offered Saturday, January 13, from 9 am to 3 pm at Grace Church on Brambleton Street in Norfolk. You can sign up on the Diocese of Southern Virginia website, diosova.org, under Lay Ministry Licensing and Training.

Offering Envelopes

If you ordered offering envelopes, they are ready for pickup in the tower.

Save the Date for our CSL Annual Meeting – Sunday, January 28

We will gather for our Annual Meeting on Sunday, January 28, after the 10:15 a.m. service. More information will be forthcoming via email and on our website.

FELLOWSHIP

Twelfth Night Potluck Party - Sunday, January 7, 5:00 p.m.

Come celebrate the end of the Christmas season and the start of Epiphany! We will have King cake, learn about chalking your doorway, and other twelfth night traditions. Bring a dish to share and a picture of your home to be blessed. Twelfth night is aptly named as it is the twelfth and final day of the official Christmas season. We will gather in the church to start and then enjoy dinner together in Lloyd Hall. Bring a dish to share and King's Cake will be served.

OUTREACH

Norfolk Winter Shelter - Volunteers Needed

The Norfolk Winter Shelter (formerly NEST) has begun its winter ministry, offering warm beds and meals for the most vulnerable in our community at a critical time. The shelter rotates from church to church throughout the winter to insure sustained access to this critical support for many in Norfolk. CSL is one of the founding members of NWS and we are committed to supporting its work. We are not serving as a host site this year due to the ongoing building construction. Given that, it is imperative that we help support the work of NWS in other ways. Each host congregation will need help filling volunteer slots that their own communities have not been able to cover. Reach out to Fr. Jared if you'd like to learn more about volunteering with any of the host communities.

Additionally, we have committed to helping St. Andrew's Episcopal Church during their host week (January 21-27). Mark your calendars now. More details are forthcoming. Contact Fr. Jared with any questions.



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WORSHIP SERVICES AND FORMATION

Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I (Chapel)
Sunday, 9:15 a.m. Adult Forum & Children's Formation
Sunday, 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Church)
Thursday, 7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Chapel)

The Reverend Noah Van Niel, *Rector*
The Reverend Jared Grant, *Associate Rector*
The Reverend Katie Beth Miksa, *Assistant Rector & Chaplain to ODU*
The Reverend Kate Bobbitt, *Assisting Priest*
The Reverend Vince Connery, *Assisting Priest*
The Reverend Jess Stribling, *Assisting Priest*
Kevin Kwan, *Organist & Director of Music*
Marjorie Setnicky, *Assistant Organist*
Kathy Hanna, *Director of Family, Youth and Children's Ministry*
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Rachel Welch, *Administrative Assistant*
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