



Holy Eucharist **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

2nd Sunday after Epiphany
JANUARY 17, 2021 @ 10:30 a.m. CST

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Dear St. Stephen's,

Thank you for joining us for the Holy Eucharist Service on this second Sunday after Epiphany. Serving as today's lectors are Heather Schubert and Melissa Odell. Music is provided by Anne Jones and Allen Hennig. Mike Marcionetti and Todd Schmidt are running our A/V.



If you are already a St. Stephen's YouTube subscriber and/or Facebook follower, you will receive an alert Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. CST when we begin to stream the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Service. For others, you may watch the service at 10:30 a.m. by clicking the links at the top of this order of worship or visiting the church website, ststeve.org and clicking the blue *Online Sunday Worship* button.

May God bless you this day and always,

Fr. Kevin

PRELUDE #371
"Thou Whose Almighty Word"



WELCOME

Melissa Odell

THE OPENING HYMN #7

"Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies" verses 1-3



Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ the true, the only
Light, Sun of Righteousness, arise! Triumph o'er the shades of
night: Dayspring from on high, be near; Daystar, in my heart
appear.

Dark and cheerless is the morn unaccompanied by thee; joyless is the day's
return, till thy mercy's beams I see, till they inward light impart, glad my eyes,
and warm my heart.

Visit then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief! Fill me, radiancy
divine; scatter all my unbelief; more and more thyself display, shining to the
perfect day.

The service begins on page 355 of The Book of Common Prayer.

THE SALUTATION

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

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires are 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.

GLORIA S280

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.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: *And also with you.*
Celebrant: Let us pray.

COLLECT FOR THE DAY (BCP pg. 215)

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE LESSONS

First Reading (I Samuel 3:1-10)

Lector: Heather Schubert

Lector: A Reading from the First Book of Samuel

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

Lector: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

PSALM 139:1-5, 12-17 (Domine, probasti)

Lector: Heather Schubert

The Psalm appointed for today is Psalm 139, verses 1-5 and 12-17, beginning on page 794 in your prayer book. We will read responsively by half verse.

1 Lord, you have searched me out and known me;
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.

**2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places
and are acquainted with all my ways.**

**3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips,
but you, O Lord, know it altogether.**

**4 You press upon me behind and before
and lay your hand upon me.**

**5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.**

**12 For you yourself created my inmost parts;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.**

**13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made;
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.**

**14 My body was not hidden from you,
while I was being made in secret
and woven in the depths of the earth.**

**15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;
all of them were written in your book;
they were fashioned day by day,
when as yet there was none of them.**

**16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God!
how great is the sum of them!**

**17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the
sand;
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.**

THE SECOND READING (I Corinthians 6:12-20)

Lector: Melissa Odell

Lector: A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

“All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are beneficial. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be dominated by anything. “Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food,” and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, “The two shall be one flesh.” But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

Lector: The Word of the Lord

GRADUAL HYMN #371 "Thou Whose Almighty Word"

Thou, whose almighty word chaos and darkness heard, and took their flight; hear us, we humbly pray, and, where the Gospel day sheds not its glorious ray, let there be light!



THE GOSPEL: John 1:43-51

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

SERMON

The Rev. Kevin LJ Schubert



THE NICENE CREED (BCP pg. 358)

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lector: Melissa Odell

Leader: The response to the Prayers of the People is: *Hear our prayer.*

Leader: Dear gracious heavenly Father, it is by your will that we have all been brought here today. We thank you! We praise you! And we seek to experience your love in new ways, and to discern your reality in our lives in ways that will connect us with the new lives you have already given us in Christ.

We pray for your church here and your church all over this world. We especially pray for our Presiding Bishop; our diocesan bishops; and our clergy. We also pray for St. Stephen's Episcopal School – for the students, parents, faculty, and Head of School as they are strengthened by God's blessing and growing in Grace; we ask your prayers for the Mission and Ministries of St. Stephen's Church, that we may continue to be faithful stewards of Christ's bounty and responsive to the cries of those in need.

Renew your churches that have fallen asleep. Bless them with a new awareness of how available you are. For your churches who suffer persecution, especially in certain parts of this world, fill them with your joy and your confidence. And may all your churches grow with new insights into your good news for us in Jesus Christ.

Leader: Gracious and loving God,
People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray to you for all who rule and hold authority throughout the whole world: for those how are good, that you would preserve them; for those who are not promoting good, that you would convert their hearts or bring their power to an end as you see fit. We pray that you would show yourself to them as the one whose servants they are and must remain.

Leader: Gracious and loving God,
People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray for you to oppose tyranny, terrorism, and disorder; to help all oppressed nations and persons to gain their rights. We also pray for the protection of our brothers and sisters serving our nation in the military.

Leader: Gracious and loving God,
People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray to you for the poor, the helpless, the disturbed, and the sick; and for all who suffer things of which are known to you alone. Comfort them with your presence and with the help of your kingdom. We give thanks for the birth of all children; for the healing or improvement of [the infirmed], and we

pray for those who have died.

Leader: Gracious and loving God,
People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: And for us, we pray that we will be guided by your Spirit to bring out love in one another and never neglect our being together in the name of Jesus Christ; with whom, and in whose presence we pray. *Amen*

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Celebrant: O Great Love, thank you for living and loving in us and through us. May all that we do flow from our deep connection with you and all beings. Help us become a community that vulnerably shares each other's burdens and the weight of glory. Listen to our hearts' longings for the healing of our world. Knowing you are hearing us better than we are speaking, we offer these prayers in all the holy names of God. Amen. (Richard Rohr)

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION (BCP, pg. 360)

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

Silence may be kept

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.

Celebrant:

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.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Souper Bowl Sunday non-perishable pantry items may be dropped off today through Sunday, February 7 in the bins by McArthur Hall.**
- A/V training is available for volunteers that would like to learn how to use the new equipment and become an A/V team member.
- [Online giving](#) can be done through the church website through gifts of gratitude and [pledge cards](#).
- TAKE 5, a 5 minute music break hosted by Allen Hennig airing on YouTube and Facebook on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. CST. [Click for TAKE 5 playlist](#).
- **Happy January Birthdays: Charlie Henson, Linda Reed, Larry Robertson, Joanne Seeberger, and Kurt Watson**

- **Happy Anniversary: Mack & Ruth Gray, Bill & Susan Holt, Nancy & Tom Jenkins, John & Melissa Odell, and Kurt & Jeannetta Watson**
- Have your birthday or wedding anniversary announced publicly by filling out the [online form](#). We do not announce birthdays and wedding anniversaries without your permission. Birthdays and wedding anniversaries are announced in monthly blocks, therefore, please submit information two weeks in advance. ***With the same form, you may now order optional altar flowers to add to your announcement.***
- One on one meetings with Fr. Kevin are being scheduled through office@ststeve.org

BLESSINGS (Birthdays, Wedding Anniversaries)

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR JANUARY BIRTHDAYS!

Charlie Henson, Linda Reed, Larry Robertson, and Joanne Seeberger, and Kurt Watson.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES!

Mack & Ruth Gray (50 years)
 Bill & Susan Holt (53 years)
 Tom & Nancy Jenkins (19 years)
 John & Melissa Odell (43 years)
 Kurt & Jeannetta Watson (33 years)



THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence: Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave Himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory

Doxology (*all sing*)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
 Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Eucharistic Prayer C (BCP pg 369)

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 call 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:

Sanctus S129 *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 And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before 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.

Celebrant 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.

People Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Celebrant 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 pray,

Celebrant and People 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.

“Christ our Passover” S154

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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.

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.

COMMUNION HYMN #538 "God of Mercy, God of Grace"



POST COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP pg. 366)

Celebrant 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 forever. Amen.

THE BLESSING (BCP pg. 339)

The blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

CLOSING HYMN LEVAS II #477 "All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine" verses 1-3

All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine, didst yield the glory that of right was

thine, that in our darkened hearts thy grace might shine. Alleluia! Amen.

Thou cam'st to us in lowliness of thought; by thee the outcast and the poor were sought; and by thy death was God's salvation wrought. Alleluia! Amen.

Let this mind be in us which was in thee, who wast a servant that we might be free, humbling thyself to death on Calvary. Alleluia! Amen.

DISMISSAL

Celebrant and People: Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE



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Organist/pianist for this service: Allen Hennig

Singing/Cantor: Anne Jones

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