The First Sunday after The Epiphany: The Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ

January 12, 2025



Tríníty Church Jacksonville, Illinois

PRELUDE

In dulci jubilo J. S. Bach

The Word of God

The Bell is rung; all stand for the Entrance Hymn.

Entrance Rite

ENTRANCE HYMN

O love, how deep, how broad, how high (Deus tuorum militum) (H 448) vss. 1, 3 & 6

OPENING ACCLAMATION (BCP p. 323)

People

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY AND GREAT COMMANDMENTS (BCP p. 323) *The Celebrant says*

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.





THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP p. 325)

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And with thy spirit.
Celebrant	Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan didst proclaim him thy beloved Son and anoint 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 thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen*.

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Isaiah 43:1-7

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

¹Now 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. ²When 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. ³For 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. ⁴Because 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. ⁵Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; ⁶I 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-⁷everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made." The Word of the Lord. Reader People Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 29

¹Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, * ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; * worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness. ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; * the LORD is upon the mighty waters. ⁴The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; * the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor. ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; * the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon; ⁶He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, * and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox. ⁷The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness: * the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh. ⁸The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe * and strips the forests bare. ⁹And in the temple of the LORD * all are crying, "Glory!" ¹⁰The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; *the LORD sits enthroned as King forevermore. ¹¹The LORD shall give strength to his people; * the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

SECOND READING: Acts 8:14-17

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

¹⁴Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. ¹⁵The two went down and prayed for them that they

might receive the Holy Spirit ¹⁶(for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). ¹⁷Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

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

All stand.

Cantor	Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.
People	Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.
Cantor	Praise the Lord, all ye angels of his:
	Praise him all his hosts.
People	Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Priest	The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People	Glory be to thee, O Lord.

¹⁵As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶John 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. ¹⁷His 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."

²¹Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²²and 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."

Priest	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON (BCP p. 326)

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT (BCP P. 304) 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 the 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.

The Celebrant then sprinkles the People with Holy Water.CelebrantI will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean.PeopleAnd a new spirit I will put within you, says the Lord.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (BCP p. 383) (Form I)

Celebrant: With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

All kneel.

Lector: For the peace from above, for the loving kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy*.

For **Brian, Sean, Carlos, and Zachary**, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy*.

For our President Joseph, for our Governor JB, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, especially **Cail, Courtland, Levi, Rankin, and Thomas**, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy*.

For this city, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy*.

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy*.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy*.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, especially **Tom**, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy*.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, especially **Ruth and Tor**, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy*.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy*.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy*.

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace. *Lord, have mercy*.

In the communion of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. George, St. Andrew, St. Patrick, St. David, and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Celebrant: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

CONFESSION OF SIN (BCP p. 330)

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness. which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life. to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *Matthew* 11:28

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *I Timothy* 1:15

THE PEACE (BCP p. 332)

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd with thy spirit.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE (BCP p. 343)

The Celebrant says

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good thy vows unto the Most High. *Psalm 50:14*

CHOIR ANTHEM

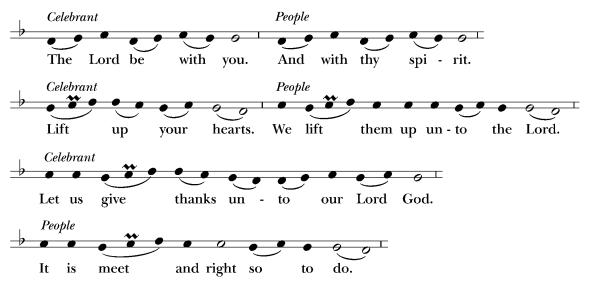
The Gift Most Treasured H. Hopson

OFFERTORY HYMN

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry (Winchester New) (H 76)

The Great Thanksgiving

SURSUM CORDA S 112 Lift up your hearts (BCP p. 333)



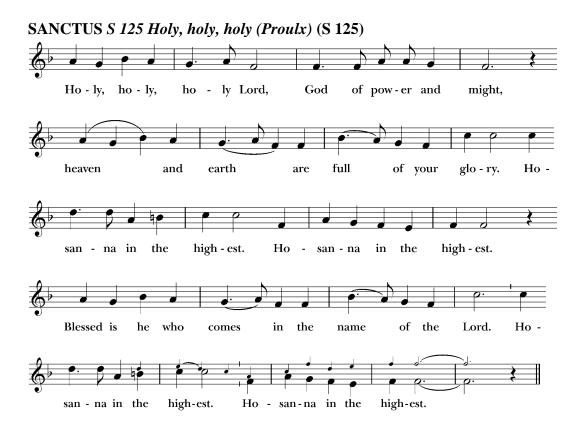
PROPER PREFACE (BCP p. 333)

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, thou hast caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of thy glory in the face of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,



WORDS OF INSTITUTION (BCP p. 334)

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is

shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

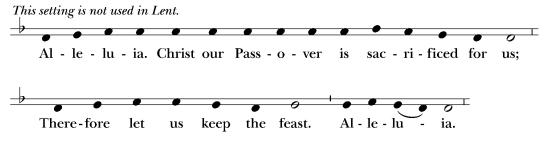
By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *AMEN*.

THE LORD'S PRAYER S 119 The Lord's Prayer (Traditional) (Plainsong/Douglas) (BCP p. 336)

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
A h
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king-dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread

INSERTED MUSIC S 152 Christ our Passover (Chant/Martens) (S 152)



This setting may be sung full by all, or by the choir, or as a versicle and response.

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS (BCP p. 337)

The following prayer may be said. The People may join in saying this prayer

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen*.

INVITATION (BCP p. 338)

The Celebrant says

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.

COMMUNION HYMN

The sinless one to Jordan came (Solemnis haec festivitas) (H 120) vss. 1, 2, 3 & 6

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP p. 339)

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People may join in saying this prayer

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

BLESSING (BCP p. 339)

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen*.

DISMISSAL (BCP p. 340)

	Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People	Thanks be to God.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Songs of thankfulness and praise (Salzburg) (H 135)

POSTLUDE

As With Gladness Men of Old arr. H

arr. H. Markworth

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INTENTIONS AT THE PRAYERS

The Church

The Diocese of Springfield The Episcopal Church The Church of England The Region of Arequipa (Peru) Brian, Bishop Sean, Presiding Bishop

Carlos, Vicar

For those who suffer from any sickness or distress Tom

Those on active military duty and in law enforcement

Levi Haley	Thomas Ramsay	Courtland Woodruff
Cail Lang	Samuel Rankin Weller	

The Departed Ruth T

Tor

MINISTRY AND CALENDAR

The Very Reverend Zachary D. Brooks, Celebrant	
Organist:	Mary Wilson
Lector:	Alice Tracey
Acolytes:	Bruce Evans & Clayton Robb
Altar Guild:	Janet Mitchell, Alice Tracey & Paula Woods
Ushers:	John Clancy & Volunteer
Coffee Hour:	Pat Bone, Adah Mitchell
	Ginda Woodruff, Pat Wright

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The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:

Ruth Stafford Kovacs and Tor Kovacs

"May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace, and rise in glory."

Wednesday, January 15:	10:00 am Holy Eucharist
Saturday, January 18:	The Confession of St. Peter (Major Feast) 10:00 am Holy Eucharist
Sunday, January 19:	
THE 2 nd SUNDAY a	after the Epiphany (Feast of our Lord)
8:00 am	The Holy Eucharist
8:45 am	Choir Rehearsal
10:00 am	The Holy Eucharist
	Church School

Morning Prayer is said at 10 am on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

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