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*HOUSE of PRAYER  
for All People*

**10 AM Liturgy of the Word Rite II**

The First Sunday after the Epiphany  
The Baptism of Our Lord

January 10, 2021

**W**elcome to **St. Mary's Cathedral**, a house of prayer for all people. God loves everyone without exception or reservation. We encourage you to open yourself to be blessed by beauty, on-line community, and Holy Scripture. We are so glad you are celebrating the Christmas season with us in these new online ways during this global pandemic, and we invite you to stay connected to the St. Mary's community! Worship opportunities are available on our website at <http://www.stmarysmemphis.org/worship/> and also on our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/stmarysmemphis/>.

**A**dditionally, we will be open by appointment for prayer on weekdays. You can make a reservation by calling Emily Pratt in the church office: 901-937-4788, or emailing [EPRATT@STMARYSMEMPHIS.ORG](mailto:EPRATT@STMARYSMEMPHIS.ORG).

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All things come from Thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given Thee!

**CATHEDRAL PRAYER LIST:** Please use this prayer list as your resource & guide as you pray throughout the week for those in our beloved Cathedral family requesting prayer.

**We pray for family members & friends of the Cathedral:** Karen Andre; Jim & Charlotte Blanton; Beth Cabrera; Susan & Ed Chazal (parents of Aimee McMillin); Cheryl Gentry; The Gossett family; Kristina Holland; Lanney Mack; Carol McBride; June Mitchell; Charlotte Myrdal (sister-in-law of Jan Morrell); Rosemarie Myrdal, mother to Jan Morrell; David Ostrow & family; Joan Owens; Geraldine Page; Elliot Mason Patrick; Erica Perkins; Clarke Simpson; Lee Stewart; Andrew and Lucero Street; Edie Street; JT Swartzel; David Thomas; Greg Traver; Thomas Wernham; Kenneth Ford, Carolyn Ford, and Mack Wiggins; Willie; and those who care for them.

**We pray for Cathedral members:** Iolis Carruthers; Beth Stone; Joanne Statham; Peggy Templeton; and those who care for them.

**We pray for those serving in the armed forces:** Victor Galloway, U.S. Navy & Melanie Galloway; Ian Harvey (brother of Natalie); Sgt. Sean Harber, U.S. Army (grandson of Jerry & Carol); Lt. Nicholas Wilde, U.S. Army (grandson of Jim and Julie Powell)

## LITURGY OF THE WORD: RITE TWO

VOLUNTARY

Meditation

Camille Saint-Saens

THE WELCOME

The Very Reverend Jean Vargo

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

**A**lmighty 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.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.  
*Silence may be kept.*

**M**ost 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 us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

INTROIT

Shall We Gather at the River

Robert Lowry

Shall we gather at the river,  
Where bright angel feet have trod;  
With its crystal tide forever  
Flowing by the throne of God?

Soon we'll reach the shining river,  
Soon our pilgrimage will cease;  
Soon our happy hearts will quiver  
With the melody of peace.

Refrain:

Yes, we'll gather at the river,  
The beautiful, the beautiful river;  
Gather with the saints at the river  
That flows by the throne of God.

THE ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Arise, shine for your light has come.  
*People* **The glory of the Lord has risen upon us!**

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN 400 VS. 1,3,7**

All creatures of our God and king *Lasst uns erfreuen*

All creatures of our God and King,  
lift up your voices, let us sing,  
alleluia, alleluia!  
Bright burning sun with golden beams,  
pale silver moon that gently gleams,  
O praise Him, alleluia!

Swift flowing water, pure and clear,  
make music for your Lord to hear,  
alleluia, alleluia!  
Fire, so intense and fiercely bright,  
You give to us both warmth and light,  
O praise Him, alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless,  
and worship him in humbleness,  
O praise him, alleluia!  
Praise God the Father, God the Son,  
And God the Spirit, Three in One,  
O praise him, alleluia!

*Officiant* There is one Body and one Spirit  
*People* **There is one hope in God's call to us;**  
*Officiant* One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;  
*People* **One God and Father of all.**  
*Officiant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Officiant* Let us pray.

**F**ather 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 Collect for the First Sunday after the Epiphany*

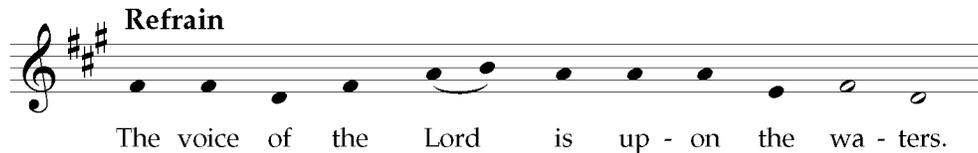
*Please be seated.*

## THE WORD OF GOD

### A READING FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS, THE 1ST CHAPTER, BEGINNING AT VERSE 1

**I**n 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. *Genesis 1:1-5*

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



- 1 **A**scribe 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 glory thunders;  
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the Lord is a powerful 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. **Refrain.**
- 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 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 evermore.
- 11 The Lord shall give strength to his people;  
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace. **Refrain.**

**A READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES, THE 19TH CHAPTER,  
BEGINNING AT VERSE 1**

**W**hile 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. *Acts 19:1-7*

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

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
cleansed by the blood of Christ, our King;  
heirs of salvation, trusting his promise,  
faithfully now God's praise we sing.

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
dead in the tomb with Christ, our King;  
one with his rising, freed and forgiven,  
thankfully now God's praise we sing.

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
marked with the sign of Christ, our King;  
born of one Father, we are God's children,  
joyfully now God's praise we sing.

**THE GOSPEL**

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**J**ohn 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." *Mark 4:1-11*

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**SERMON**

The Very Reverend Jean Vargo

**THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS**

*The Book of Common Prayer, page 292*

*Celebrant* Let us celebrate the Baptismal anniversary of Xavier Allan Williams, and Langston Ekulend Price, as we renew our own baptismal covenant.

*Celebrant* Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renerw your commitment to Jesus Christ?

*People* **I do.**

*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 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 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.**

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

**O**ur 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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

As we keep awake for new hope being born, let us offer prayers to God who prepares  
a light for our path; for the coming of Wisdom to teach and guide us; for the coming of Emmanuel,  
the hope of all peoples; for the peace of the world, and for our unity as God's beloved family.  
**Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

For the church throughout the world, and the faithful in this and every place; for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for Phoebe, our Bishop. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia; in our Diocese for Calvary, Memphis; and for our Cathedral's Finance Committee. For all birthing hope in their communities and for all the holy people of God. We pray for students, teachers, Music Educators, and all those who work in schools and institutions of learning, either in-person or online. May God grant them the wisdom and patience that they might safely navigate the year and grow in knowledge and compassion for the good world that God has created.

**Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

For the leaders of the nations and all in authority. For Donald, our President; Joe, our President-Elect; Bill, our Governor, Jim and Lee, our mayors; that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

**Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

For travelers; for the sick and the suffering; especially Carter Boykin and Marian Moore, the Bridgman family, Irma Lee Macklin, Liz McQuire, Ty Legge, Bena Cates, the Andrews family, Debbie and Stephen Meyer, Kerry Davis, Mitch and Becca Mize and families, David Adams, Julie Powell, Jessica Oliver, Tom Moore and family, the Newberry family, Mimi Baker, Ronnie Rodgers, Dave Della Rocco and family, Sally Wolcott and family, all those on the Cathedral Prayer List, and those we now name. For the hungry and the oppressed; and for those who have lost their way. We also pray for everyone and all places around the world courageously battling this COVID-19 disease. May our prayers assist in their healing. For those who have passed from this life; especially Virginia Harrison, Bobby Harrell, and those we now name. For our deliverance from all affliction, strife, and need.

**Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

For the blessings we now name, and for those celebrating a birthday in the coming week: William Boykin, Margaret Said, John Weatherly, Nicole Thomas, and Milla Meiman.

**Joining our voices with the blessed Mary, and with all the saints and angels of God, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God, as we proclaim- Amen. Come Lord Jesus.**

*Celebrant* May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed on us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

**ANTHEM**

Jesus Autem Hodie

Peter Hallock

When Jesus Christ baptised was,  
The Holy Ghost descended with grace;  
The Father's voice was heard in that place:  
'Hic est Filius meus; ipsum audite.'

Consider now, all Christianity,  
How the Father said because of thee  
The great mystery of the Trinity:  
'Hic est Filius meus; ipsum audite.'

There were three Persons and one Lord,  
The Son baptised with one accord;  
The Father said these blessed words:  
'Hic est Filius meus; ipsum audite.'

Now, Jesu, as thou art both God and man,  
And were baptised in River Jordan,  
At our last end, we pray thee, say then:  
'Hic est Filius meus; ipsum audite.'

## THE PEACE

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

*The people greet one another with the sign of peace.*

## THE BLESSING

May the peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and the love of God, and God's son Jesus Christ. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you, and remain with you and with those you love, this day and always. **Amen.**

## HYMN AT RETIRING PROCESSION 371, VS 1,3

Thou whose almighty Word *Moscow*

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!

Spirit of truth and love,  
Life giving, holy dove,  
Speed forth thy flight!  
Move on the water's face  
Bearing the gifts of grace  
And, in earth's darkest place,  
Let there be light!

## DISMISSAL

*Deacon* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## VOLUNTARY

Prelude in G Major

J.S. Bach

## SERVING THE WEEK OF JANUARY 10

### PASTORAL CARE TEAMS:

OUTGOING– TEAM 3– Jan Morrell, Julie Ross, Marianne Carter

INCOMING – TEAM 2– Anne Boykin, Carol Morris, Marge Sorrells, Bess Gillis, Alice Rosenfeld

## SERVING TODAY, JANUARY 10, THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

### MUSICIANS

Naomi Kohl, Aoife Shanley, Drew Massengale, Paul Murray, Dennis Janzer

### CLERGY

The Very Reverend Jean Vargo, The Reverend Drew Woodruff

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Wednesday Noonday Prayer @ 12 noon on Facebook Live

Friday Night Compline @ 7:30pm on Facebook Live

Go to the St. Mary's Facebook page and click the "video" button to begin watching live.

If you are interested in leading Friday Night Compline, please send an email to Drew Massengale: [massengale.drew@gmail.com](mailto:massengale.drew@gmail.com) to be added to the list. You will receive instructions on how to lead the prayer service as well as instructions on how to stream via Facebook Live, should you need it.

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2021 – Posey Hedges, Sybil Onwuka, Rosie Townley Bakewell, Steve Kite-Powell  
2022 – Drew Smith, Michael Synk, Billy Pullen, Margorie Wolcott  
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