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HOUSE of PRAYER
for All People

5 PM Liturgy of the Word Rite I

The First Sunday after the Epiphany
The Baptism of Our Lord

January 9, 2020

Welcome 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 Pentecostal 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/>.

Additionally, 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.

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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)

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD: RITE ONE

The service can be found on page 323 in the Book of Common Prayer

VOLUNTARY

Meditation

Camille Saint-Saens

WELCOME

THE ACCLAMATION

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

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.**

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

The Book of Common Prayer, page 331

Deacon Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.
The people may kneel as they are able. Silence may be kept.

People **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.**

Celebrant 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 us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and bring us to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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.

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 Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

The Collect for the First Sunday after the Epiphany

Please be seated for the readings

THE WORD OF GOD

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

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. *Genesis 1:1-5*

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

PSALM 29

Read in unison.

Afferte Domino

- 1 **A**scribe to the Lord, you gods,
 ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 2 **A**scribe to the Lord the glory due his Name;
 worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 **T**he voice of the Lord is upon the waters;
 the God of glory thunders;
 the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 **T**he voice of the Lord is a powerful voice;
 the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.
- 5 **T**he voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees;
 the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 **H**e makes Lebanon skip like a calf,
 and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 **T**he 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 **T**he voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe
 and strips the forests bare.
- 9 **A**nd in the temple of the Lord
 all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 **T**he Lord sits enthroned above the flood;
 the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- 11 **T**he Lord shall give strength to his people;
 the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

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

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. *Acts 19:1-7*

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

Please stand all who are able.

THE GOSPEL

Deacon 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." *Mark 4:1-11*

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

Please be seated at the invitation of the Preacher

THE 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.

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.

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all people: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers; especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop; and Phoebe, our Bishop, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially Donald, our President; Joe, our President-Elect; Bill, our Governor; and Jim and Lee, our Mayors; that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world. Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor 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 for those we now name..., and all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially Virginia Harrison, Bobby Harrell; beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

And we give you thanks for all the blessings and all the goodness you have bestowed to give us strength, especially for those celebrating birthdays in the coming week: Wiliam Boykin, Margaret Said, John Weatherly, Nicole Thomas, and Milla Meiman.

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.**

THE PEACE

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

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.**

DISMISSAL

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

VOLUNTARY

Prelude in G Major

J.S. Bach

SERVING THE WEEK OF JANUARY 3

PASTORAL CARE TEAMS:

OUTGOING– TEAM 4– Marcia Wunderlich, Maureen Woodruff, Marilyn Dunavant

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

SERVING TODAY, JANUARY 3, THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

CLERGY The Very Reverend Jean Vargo, The Reverend Drew Woodruff

MUSICIAN Dennis Janzer

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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 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
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