

The First Sunday After Epiphany: The Baptism of the Lord

January 12, 2025 10:30 am





We're so glad you chose to be here at Resurrection today.

Whether you're here for the first time, or are a life-long member, Resurrection is a hopeful, healing, transformation-minded kind of place, a place where everyone is welcome and can grow their relationship with God and with one another.

If you *are* here for the first time (or if you just haven't gotten around to it yet), please fill out a pew card and put it in the offering plate to let us know you were here. To receive our weekly email bulletin, be sure to include your email address. And let us know if you would like to connect with our parish life and ministries; we're happy to help you find your spot!

Our services follow *The Book of Common Prayer*, the red book in your pew rack. If you'd like to use the book to follow the service, we begin on page 355. Unless otherwise marked, our hymns are from the *Hymnal 1982*, the blue books in the pew rack.

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HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

We prepare for our time together. We take our places and allow the peaceful quiet to center and calm us.

Entrance Hymn

Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness

Hymnal 117

All standing, the Celebrant says

BCP 355

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for

ever. Amen.

The Celebrant says the Collect for Purity

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

Hymn of Praise

People

O praise ye the Lord! v.4 only

Hymnal 432

The Collect of the Day

BCP 163

The Lord be with you. **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

The Collect of the Day is written to go along with both the season of the church year and the readings for the day. It summarizes the

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We take our places and allow the peaceful quiet to center and calm us.

The bold portions

are the parts the congregation says together. Remember that "liturgy" means worshipping together. It is important that we make our responses in a good, strong voice.

attributes of God as revealed in the scripture for the day.

Reading and commenting on scripture goes back to the earliest services of Christianity. Following the pattern of Jewish synagogue worship, readings follow a set pattern for what will be read when. This is known as a lectionary.

We respond to each reading: the **Psalm** is our response to the Old Testament, in the second service, the hymn is our sung response to the **Epistle** (the second reading), and the sermon and creed are our response to the **Gospel**.

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 Lessons

The First Lesson: Isaiah 43:1-7

Lector A reading from the Book of Isaiah

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.

When 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.

For 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.

Because 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.

Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you;

I 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--

everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

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

Psalm 29 BCP 620

Lector We will read the Psalm in unison.

- 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 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.
- 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.

The Epistle: Acts 8:14-17

Lector A reading from the Book of Acts

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

Meaning literally "a letter," the name **Epistle** was given to the first of the two New Testament

readings in the eucharist. The majority of these passages are taken from the epistolary l iterature of the New Testament, such as the letters of Paul to communities of Christians in various places.

We stand to indicate the importance we place of Jesus' words and actions. The **Gospel** book comes into the midst of the people and all turn toward the reader.

A **Sermon** or a shorter teaching called a homily follows the Gospel. Since 1549, a sermon has been required at every Eucharist service.

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

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

Sequence Hymn

On Jordan's bank vv.1-3

Hymnal 76

The Gospel Lesson: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

All stand

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and 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 to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Marc Strong

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,

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.

and his kingdom will have no end.

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.

The Prayers of the People

Glorious and Wondrous God, in thankfulness and confidence we lift our hopes and needs to you in prayer

Originally the entire service was viewed as our confession of faith. But, since the Sixth Century, the church has recited the Nicene Creed at the Eucharist. The word creed comes from the Latin credo for "I believe."

Why do some people bow their head for part of the creed? Some bow at "he came down from heaven" as a sign of reverent respect for Jesus' incarnate presence with us. Our prayers change each week, along with the lectionary. Please feel free to add those on your heart, either silently or aloud, at the appropriate place.

as we say, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Raise up in your church leaders whose lives are centered in the love of Christ and whose hearts yearn for justice and peace.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Enter into the hearts of those with authority in our nation that they might work for the fellowship of all people and bring about a world where enemies are reconciled and conflict ceases.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Inspire this assembly through the inbreaking of the Spirit in our lives that our faiths may be bolstered and our commitment to the gospel mission renewed. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Instill in us awe and thankfulness for the majesty of your created world that we might be good stewards and develop sustainable practices so that nature's abundance might be available to all future generations. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bring healing to the sick and hurting, mend the fractured and broken, grant hope to the fearful and anxious, and grant peace and the knowledge of your love to all people. Especially we pray for Kim; Aaron; Sarah; Killian; Frances & Becky; Stephen; the Hentchel family; Maurie; and all your children who suffer the effects of war, oppression, or natural disasters.

The congregation may add their petitions or thanksgivings.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Grant to the faithful departed peace and rest in your eternal love and, welcome us into the resurrection alongside all your saints. We especially remember our fellow parishioners, Pat Steele and Mary Russell. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Hear our prayers and grant our desires as may be best for us and in ways that show forth your grace and mercy. All this we ask through our only advocate and Lord, Jesus, who is Christ and lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen**.

Confession of Sin

BCP 359

The Officiant says to the people

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People together, all kneeling

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.

The Officiant says

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**.

The Peace BCP 360

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

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

Announcements & Blessings

The Prayers of the People are followed by the Confession of Sin. We ask God's forgiveness for things done and things left undone. Private confession is not required in our church. However, for those particularly in need of unburdening themselves of past wrongs, private confession is offered. It can be an especially comforting way to turn away from past wrongs and set out on a new path. But most of the time we only need this time of prayer together as a community to recall our sins and to ask for God's forgiveness.

The **Peace**, is a very ancient way for people to greet one another. When the celebrant says: "The Peace of the Lord be always with you," everyone responds: "And also with you." Then we share God's peace with one another

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

Offertory Anthem *Baptized in Water*

The Celebrant invites the people's offerings

Doxology

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.

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer C

The Celebrant says

The Lord be with you.

People

Celebrant

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord

We lift them to the Lord

Lord be with you.

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.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

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.

By your will they were created and have their being.

The Liturgy of the Table

Now we come to the second part of the service with the Liturgy of the Table. It is based on Jewish Fellowship meals, particularly the Passover observance. But this second half of the service is not communion in and of itself. It is the whole service, both parts, that make up the Eucharist.

Parish Announcements

This center section of your bulletin is for you to tear out & take home with you. Keep the announcements, prayer lists, calendars, & Diocesan news on hand all week!

ECW LUNCH SOCIAL

The women of Resurrection are invited to an ECW social event at Carmichael Inn on February 17th. We'll gather at noon to enjoy some time together - no meeting, no work, just fun with each other!

You can sign up in the parish hall so we'll know to save you a seat.



RESURRECTION MEN

Our men's group will be meeting on January 18th at 9:00 am in the undercroft of the church. The discussion will be on Lessons 4 and 5 from the book Life Lessons from Daniel and Esther. We hope that you can join us. Contact Mark Hennes at mhennes81@icloud.com with any questions. Thanks!



Time to sign up and get to know a new small group of folks a little better! The sign up sheets for our Saints and Sinners dinner group are in the parish hall, waiting for you! We'll take names through the last Sunday in January and dinners will be held from February to June.

Saints and Sinners is a "supper club", with small groups whose members take turns hosting a meal, with the host providing the entrée & beverages and the others providing the rest of the meal. Sharing meals is a great way to get to know your fellow parishioners better, so we hope you'll sign up and join us!

Our altar flowers this week are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Charlie Stahr

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER LIST

Kim; Aaron; Sarah; Killian; Frances & Becky; Stephen; the Hentchel family; Maurie; and all who suffer the violence of war and political unrest.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

1/3 - Wayne Tolbert

1/6 - Tony and Oralee Adams
Paul Fiebke, Sr.

1/10 - Andrew & Cath Wilkinson

1/16 - Diane Van Koughnett

1/18 - Erlys Ploeger

1/20 - Paul Fiebke, Jr.

1/30 - Janet Cardwell

CONTINUED PRAYER LIST

Claire Sandy Rob & Sherry Cheri

Jane Shannon

Jim Mel

Wayne Diana N.
Jack Ashley
Raynella Ed & Jean

Kim E. Joe Beverly Grace

Virginia Bob & Betty Anne

Rame & Janey Johnny

Karen H.

DIOCESAN PRAYERS

St. James - Greeneville, TN St. Thomas - Sturgis, SD St. James - Belle Fourche, SD

For Your Calendars

ODAY

Acolyte: EM: Lector: Usher:

Mark Smith
Dawson Hope
Jackie Curtiss
Andy Hadjian &
Garry Lucas
Bill & Virginia Perry
David St. John

Coffee Hour: Chancellor: Counters:

Andy Hadjian & Carolyn Parker Bob Cantine Keytha Graves & Drew Hawley Dianna Stimpson

Video Altar Guild:

Flower Guild:

Acolyte:

EM: Lector: Usher:

Coffee Hour: Chancellor: Counters:

Video: Altar Guild:

Flower Guild:

Monty Ross

Jackie Buttinelli Judy Egan Drew Hawley &

Keytha Graves Ginny Tolbert Betsy Schwindt Bill Schwindt &

David St. John Mark Blakley Keytha Graves & Drew Hawley

Betty Martin

26th

Acolyte: EM: Lector: Usher:

Coffee Hour: Chancellor: Counters:

Video: Altar Guild:

Flower Guild:

Dawson Hope
Jane Mocilac
Karin O'Callaghan
David St. John &
David Baumgardner
Vicky St.John
David Baumgardner
Alice Anderson &
Ginny Tolbert
Monty Ross
Keytha Graves &
Drew Hawley
Bev Baumgardner

Next Week at Resurrection

Monday, 1/13

7:00pm - AA (open meeting)

Wednesday, 1/15

11:00am - Fruit of the Spirit Zoom Study

Friday, 1/17

9:30am - Prayers & Squares Meeting

Saturday, 1/18

Vestry Retreat in Parish Hall

9:00am - Men's Group Meeting in

Undercroft

2:00pm Eller Baby Shower in Parish Hall

Sunday, 1/19

8:00am - Morning Prayer Service 10:30am - Morning Prayer Service

Email office@episcopalloudon.com to have your ministry or committee's activities or meetings added to the parish calendar.

COMING UP ...

January 17th:

Prayers & Squares

quilting group resumes

January 18th: Re

Resurrection Men

meeting

January 19th:

The Rev. Michael Spear-

Jones returns for

services

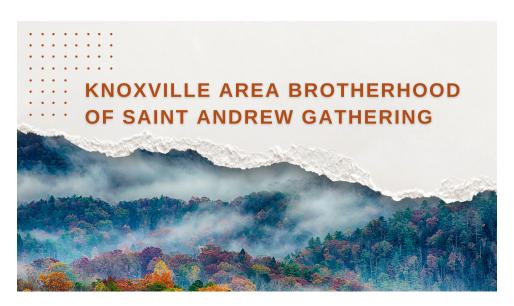
January 20th:

Office Closed in

observation of Martin

Luther King Day

Check it out!



The Knoxville area Brotherhood of Saint Andrew, an Episcopal men's group dedicated to the spiritual growth and service of its members, focusing on prayer, study, and service, invites men from the Knoxville area parishes to gather at the Diocesan House on Saturday, January 18, beginning at 9:00 am for a time of prayer, community building, and spiritual sharing. Coffee and light refreshments will be provided. RSVPs are not required but are appreciated. Please email RSVPs and questions to Bob Wadley at bob@stjamesknox.org.

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.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called 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.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

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



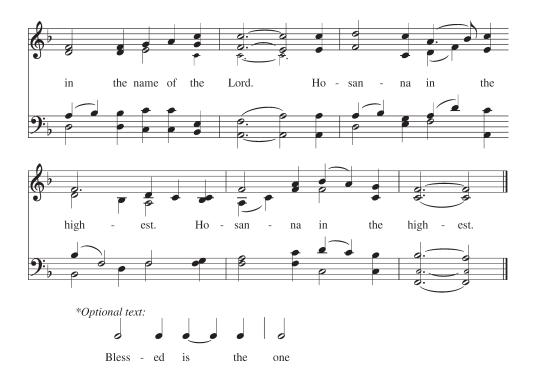
From the Latin for "holy," the **Sanctus** is a hymn of adoration and praise based on the song of the seraphim as recorded in Isaiah's vision of the Lord in the year King Uzziah died.

When we gather together we remember Jesus. Through repeating the words and actions of Jesus' last meal with his disciples, we ourselves join the story and make it our own. We don't just watch the drama or listen to it unfold, but we enter into the story as we too

While the bread and wine remain the bread and wine, they are not unchanged. The significance of the bread and wine for those partaking of them changes radically. The elements of communion become the outward signs of inward grace.

take the bread and wine

and eat and drink.



Then the Celebrant continues

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

Celebrant and People

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

The Celebrant continues

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.

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

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.

Hymnal S-147



And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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

BCP 364

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread and a period of silence is kept.

That grace, or gift from God is Jesus' real presence in the Eucharist through the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Great Amen is the only word in our Book of Common Prayer in all capital letters. It is the people's affirmation of all that has gone before, and has been a practice since the 2nd century. In this service, we sing our Amens.

The Lord's Prayer

follows. The link between our daily bread and the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist is an ancient connection. In the Lord's Prayer we ask for daily bread meaning the things we need to get through each day. But as a part of that, the bread also symbolizes God's presence, which is something that is also essential to our getting through the day.

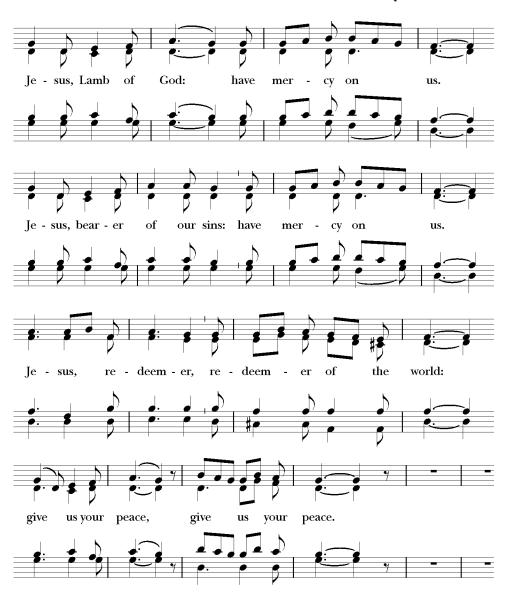
Receiving Communion

We partake in the Eucharist and are spiritually nourished, but it is not for our benefit alone. Communion enables us to return to the world with renewed vigor for proclaiming the Gospel in our words and in our lives. In the Eucharist, Christ's presence both nourishes us and challenges us.

All are welcome at God's table. Hold out your hands and you will be given the bread. For now, wine is available both in individual cups and from the chalice. Please

Fraction Anthem

Hymnal S-164



The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion of the Faithful

We encourage you to come forward to receive Holy Communion as you feel comfortable. Remain seated, and the usher will direct you forward to the communion rail. Please remain standing to receive communion, and then return to your seat by the side aisle, so that traffic flows one way.

If you would prefer communion be brought to you at your seat, please let an usher know and, as always,

we will be happy to do so. If you prefer not to receive communion, please cross your arms over your chest as a sign that you prefer a blessing.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. **Amen**.

Communion Hymn

Like the murmur of the dove's song

Hymnal 112

partake in the way you feel comfortable. Gluten-free wafers are available by request.

You have fully received communion if you receive either the bread or the wine.

Post Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Post Communion

Prayer - a prayer of thanksgiving after communion that also seeks God's help for Christian service.
This prayer expresses the transition of the Christian's attention from the mystery of sacramental participation to the engagement of Christian ministry.

WE GO INTO GOD'S WORLD

The Blessing

The priest blesses the people

Postcommunion Hymn

Blessed be the God of Israel

Hymnal 444

Dismissal - As the celebration ends, we are charged to "Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord." The Eucharist is therefore not an exclusive gathering that separates us from the world, but a challenge to reach out beyond our own church to the world around us in thanksgiving for all God's good and gracious gifts.

The Dismissal BCP 366

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

Today's Art



The Baptism of Christ c.1482

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Thank you for joining us today! We hope to see you again soon.

We invite you to join us for worship at 8:00 or 10:30 am each Sunday. If you can't make it in person, join us at 10:30, live on Facebook! facebook.com/episcopalloudon

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