

Holy Eucharist

The First Sunday After the
Epiphany: The Baptism of Our
Lord Jesus Christ

Sunday, January 8, 2023

Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Rite

At the sound of the bell, all stand for the Entrance of the Ministers into the church.

Hymn

God the Omnipotent! King, who ordainest

Hymnal 569

1 God the Om - ni - po - tent! King, who or - dain - est
2 God the All - mer - ci - ful! earth hath for - sak - en
3 God the All - right - eous One! earth hath de - fied thee;
4 God the All - prov - i - dent! earth by thy chas - tening

thun - der thy clar - ion, the light - ning thy sword;
thy ways all ho - ly, and slight - ed thy word;
yet to e - ter - ni - ty stand - eth thy word,
yet shall to free - dom and truth be re - stored;

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are printed below the vocal lines. The first system contains the first four lines of the hymn, and the second system contains the final four lines. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and single notes, providing a harmonic foundation for the vocal line.

show forth thy pi - ty on high where thou reign - est:
bid not thy wrath in its ter - rors a - wak - en:
false - hood and wrong shall not tar - ry be - side thee:
through the thick dark - ness thy king - dom is haste - ning:

give to us peace in our time, O Lord.
give to us peace in our time, O Lord.
give to us peace in our time, O Lord.
thou wilt give peace in thy time, O Lord.

All standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed are you, holy and living One.

People

Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.


The Celebrant says

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.*


The following is sung, all standing



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and



peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly




King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we




give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus




Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy




on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -



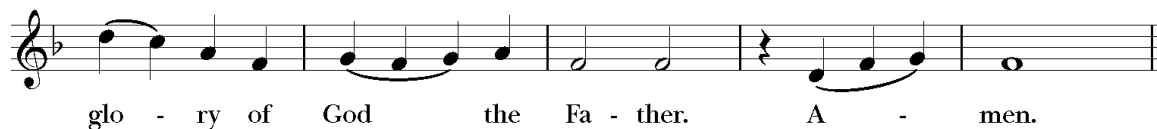
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,



you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most



High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the



Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People 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 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.*

First Reading

Isaiah 42:1-9

All sit.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

“Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching.” Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: “I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in

darkness. I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Remain seated.

Psalm 29

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Afferte Domino

- 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.

Second Reading

Acts 10:34-43

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence

All stand.

Christ, when for us you were baptized

Hymnal 121

1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spi - rit on you came,
2 God called you his be - lov - ed Son, called you his ser - vant true,
3 Straight - way and stead - fast un - til death you then o - beyed his call
4 Bap - tize us with your Spi - rit, Lord, your cross on us be signed,

as peace - ful as a dove and yet as ur - gent as a flame.
sent you his king - dom to pro - claim, his ho - ly will to do.
free - ly as Son of Man to serve and give your life for all.
that, like - wise in God's ser - vice we may per - fect free - dom find.

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Holy Gospel

Matthew 3:13-17

All stand.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had

been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Through the Paschal Mystery, dear friends, we, together with all the saints, were buried with Christ by Baptism into his death, and raised with him to newness of life. I call upon you, therefore, to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy catholic Church.

The Presider: Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

The People respond: *I do.*

The Presider: Do you believe in God the Father?

The People respond: *I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.*

The Presider: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

The People respond: *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.*

The Presider: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

The People respond: *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.*

The Presider: How will you remain faithful to these things you believe?

The People respond: *With God's help by continuing in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers.*

The Presider: How will you respond to temptation and failure?

The People respond: *With God's help by persevering in resisting evil and, whenever I fall into sin, by repenting and returning to the Lord.*

The Presider: How will you share God and Christ with the world?

The People respond: *With God's help by proclaiming by word and example the Good News of God in Christ.*

The Presider: How will you show others you are a member of the Body of Christ?

The People respond: *With God's help by seeking and serving Christ in all persons, loving my neighbor as myself.*

The Presider: How will you participate in making God's world a better place for all in God's creation?

The People respond: *With God's help by striving for justice and peace among all people, and by respecting the dignity of every human being.*

The Presider: May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who by water and the Holy Spirit has gathered his saints from every language, people and nation, and has made us a kingdom of priests to serve him in this age and in the age to come, grant us the grace to show forth with our lives what we confess with our lips, through Christ our Lord.

The People respond: *Amen.*

The Presider then sprinkles the people with water to remind them of their baptismal bath in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Prayers of the People for the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord

Prayer is offered with intercession for: the Universal Church, its members, and its mission; the nation and all in authority; the welfare of the world, the concerns of the local community; those who suffer and those in any trouble; and the departed (with commemoration of a saint when appropriate).

The Presider: Let us lift up our prayers to God remembering how God has claimed us as daughters and sons in the one baptism we share with Jesus.

The Leader: We pray for the Church through out the world knit together in organic unity through our one baptism into the Body of Jesus Christ in the world. We remember especially the Anglican Communion, our own Episcopal Church in the United States, our diocese – its people, parishes, and programs, and our companion dioceses of Bor and Brazilia. Lord, in your mercy,

The People: Hear our prayer.

The Leader: We pray for each Christian believer, that we may claim the family name of “Christian” given to us through our baptism and see ourselves as undivided members of one Church. Lord in your mercy,

The People: Hear our prayer.

The Leader: We pray for the nations of the world asking God to guide all nations towards peace, justice, equality, and righteousness. Help all baptized Christians recognize that our identity as Christians is more important than our citizenship in any country and to work for the good of all people everywhere. Lord in your mercy,

The People: Hear our prayer.

The Leader: We pray for those who suffer in any way: for the sick, the dying, and those who grieve; for those who are oppressed by war, terrorism, and violence; for those who see us as enemies and those whom we see as enemies; for those in prison, those who are homeless and hungry, and those who are without hope or human compassion; for the earth that suffers the weight and destruction of human carelessness and greed; and for all others in need, asking not only that you would relieve this suffering, but that you might help relieve this suffering through the hands of Christians like us, and that our baptism might move us to be your hands in the world. Lord, in your mercy,

The People: Hear our prayer.

The Leader: We pray for those who have died into God's eternity, especially those whom we hold close to our hearts, _____; that the power of their baptism may be fulfilled in their share of Christ's resurrection, and that all who have died might be received and forgiven through the mercy of God. Lord, in your mercy,

The People: Hear our prayer.

(silence)

The Presider: Loving and gracious God, as we give thanks for our identity as your daughters and sons through baptism, hear our prayers as we come before you in Jesus Christ through the power of your Holy Spirit.

The People: Amen.

The Confession of Sin

The Presider: Let us confess our sins to God.

(silence)

All confess: God of all mercy,

*we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.*

*We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.*

*We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
the evil done on our behalf.*

*Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.*

The Presider: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

The People: *Amen.*

All rise as they are able.

Our Sharing the Peace of Jesus Christ

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

The People respond: *And also with you.*

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

Announcements

Announcements may be made at this point in the service.

Holy Communion

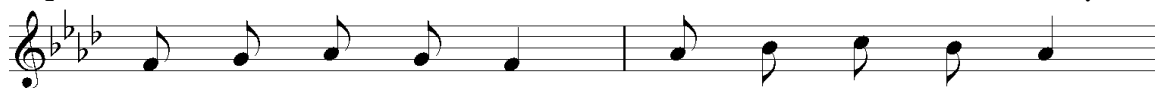
The Celebrant says

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

Offertory Hymn

Baptized in water

Hymnal 294



1 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spi - rit,
2 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spi - rit,
3 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spi - rit,



cleansed by the blood of Christ our King:
dead in the tomb with Christ our King:
marked with the sign of Christ our King:



heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing his prom - ise,
one with his ris - ing, freed and for - giv - en,
born of one Fa - ther, we are his chil - dren,



faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see the goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then in the fullness of time,

you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Presider continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share in these gifts may be filled with your Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Blessed Mary the God-bearer, Blessed Peter our patron, and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

The Celebrant then continues

As our Savior Christ
has taught us,
we now pray,

People and Celebrant

Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your Name,
 your kingdom come,
 your will be done,
 on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
 as we forgive those
 who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
 and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
 and the glory are yours,
 now and for ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Then may be said the Fraction Anthem.

The Presider: This is the true bread which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.

The People respond: Whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Communion Hymn

O God of gentle strength

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1. O God of gen - tle strength, your
2. Your wa - ters of re - birth have
3. And when life's chal - len - ges e -
4. Where will the jour - ney lead? The

love em - bra - ces me. With - in the sure - ness
claimed us as your own. As mem - bers of one
clipse our minds with doubt, let ho - ly wis - dom
path may be ob - scure. But prom - ised hope of

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are placed between the staves. The first system covers the first four lines of lyrics, and the second system covers the remaining lines. The music is a simple, hymn-like melody with a steady bass accompaniment.

of your care my heart rests will - ing - ly.
 bod - y, we shall nev - er be a - lone.
 spark a flame to drive the dark - ness out.
 things un - seen will keep our foot - ing sure.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

The priest blesses the people, saying

May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also, in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord. *Amen.*

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the Only-begotten at his baptism in the Jordan River, pour out that Spirit on you who have come to the waters of new birth. *Amen.*

May God, by the power that turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana, transform your lives and make glad your hearts. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

Recessional Hymn

I bind unto myself today

Hymnal 370



1. I bind un - to my - self to - day the strong Name



of the Trin - i - ty, by in - vo - ca - tion



of the same, the Three in One, and One in Three.



2. I bind this day to me for ev - er, by power of

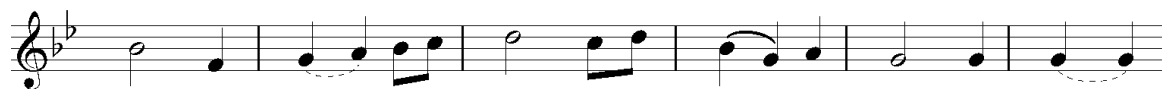
*3. I bind un - to my - self the power of the great

*4. I bind un - to my - self to - day the vir - tues

*5. I bind un - to mys - elf to - day the power of



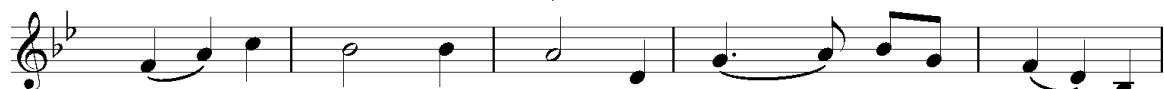
faith, Christ's In - car - na - tion; his bap - tism in the
love of cher - u - bim; the sweet "Well done" in
of the star - lit heaven the glo - rious sun's life -
God to hold and lead, his eye to watch, his



Jor - dan riv - er; his death on cross for my sal - va - tion;
judg - ment hour; the ser - vice of the ser - a - phim;
giv - ing ray, the white - ness of the moon at even,
might to stay, his ear to heark - en, to my need;



his burst - ing from the spic - èd tomb; his rid - ing
 con - fess - ors' faith, a - pos - tles' word, the pa - triarchs'
 the flash - ing of the light - ning free, the whirl - ing
 the wis - dom of my God to teach, his hand to



up the heaven - ly way; his com - ing at the
 prayers, the pro - phets' scrolls; all good deeds done un -
 wind's tem - pes - tuous shocks, the sta - ble earth, the
 guide, his shield to ward; the word of God to



day of doom: I bind un - to my - self to - day.
 to the Lord, and pu - ri - ty of vir - gin souls.
 deep salt sea, a - round the old e - ter - nal rocks.
 give me speech, his heaven - ly host to be my guard.

*6. Christ be with me, Christ with - in me, Christ be - hind me,
 Christ be - neath me, Christ a - bove me, Christ in qui - et,

Christ be - fore me, Christ be - side me, Christ to
 Christ in dan - ger, Christ in hearts of all that

win me, Christ to com - fort and re - store me,
 love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stran - ger.

7. I bind un - to my - self the Name, the strong Name
of the Trin - i - ty, by in - vo - ca - tion
of the same, the Three in One, and One in Three.
Of whom all na - ture hath cre - a - tion, e - ter - nal
Fa - ther, Spi - rit, Word: praise to the Lord of
my sal - va - tion, sal - va - tion is of Christ the Lord.

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go in peace to love and serve our Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.
People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

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