FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Daily Morning Prayer Rite Two

January 10, 2021

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The Officiant begins and says

I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.

Confession of Sin

The Officiant says to the people

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Officiant and People together

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 Priest alone 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 Invitatory and Psalter

*Officiant:* Lord, open our lips.
*People:* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

The people join in the antiphon before the Invitatory

The Lord hath manifested forth his glory: O come let us adore him.

Venite
Psalm 95:1-7

*Sung by the Cantor*

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
    let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
    and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
For the Lord is a great God, *
    and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
    and the heights of the hills are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it, *
    and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
    and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *
    Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

The people repeat the antiphon after the Invitatory

The Lord hath manifested forth his glory: O come let us adore him.
Psalm 29

Sung by the Cantor

1. **Ascribe to the L ORD, you gods, ***
ascribe to the L ORD glory and strength.

2. **Ascribe to the L ORD the glory due his Name; ***
worship the L ORD in the beauty of holiness.

3. **The voice of the L ORD is upon the waters;**
the God of glory thunders; *
the L ORD is upon the mighty waters.

4. **The voice of the L ORD is a powerful voice; ***
the voice of the L ORD is a voice of splendor.

5. **The voice of the L ORD breaks the cedar trees; ***
the L ORD 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 L ORD splits the flames of fire;**
the voice of the L ORD shakes the wilderness; *
the L ORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

8. **The voice of the L ORD makes the oak trees writhe ***
and strips the forests bare.

9. **And in the temple of the L ORD ***
all are crying, "Glory!"

10. **The L ORD sits enthroned above the flood; ***
the L ORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.

11. **The L ORD shall give strength to his people; ***
the L ORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.
The First Lesson:  

**Genesis 1:1-5**

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.

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

The Second Lesson:  

**Acts 19:1-7**

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.

Reader:  The Word of the Lord.
People:  Thanks be to God.
Hymn: L- 134 *Take me to the water*
*Sung by the Cantor*

1. Take me to the water, take me to the
2. None but the righteous, none but the
3. I love Jesus, I love
4. He's my Savior, He's my

1. water, take me to the water,
2. righteous, none but the right-
3. Jesus, I love Jesus
4. Savior, He's my Savior

1. to be baptized.
2. shall see God.
3. I do.
4. He is.
The Gospel Lesson:  

Mark 1:4-11

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.”

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

The Sermon  

Fr. Greenaway

Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Celebrant:  Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew 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 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 concludes the Renewal of Vows as follows:

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

The Prayers

Officiant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Officiant: Let us pray.
The Lord's Prayer
*Said by all.*

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.

Suffrage A
Leader: Show us your mercy, O Lord;
All: And grant us your salvation.

Leader: Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
All: Let your people sing with joy.

Leader: Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
All: For only in you can we live in safety.

Leader: Lord, keep this nation under your care;
All: And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Leader: Let your way be known upon earth;
All: Your saving health among all nations.

Leader: Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
All: Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Leader: Create in us clean hearts, O God;
All: And sustain us by your Holy Spirit.
The Prayers of the People

Form VI

The Leader and People pray responsively
In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence
For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Let us pray for Donald, our President; Joe, President-Elect; the Congress of the United States; the Supreme Court; Muriel, our Mayor; and for this community, the nation, and the world.

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

We pray for the sick and suffering of our parish, including: [Virginia Keane, Jean Ringuette, Joan Williams, Paula S.F. Marshall, and Susannah Cernojevich]. Let us pray for all others whose health and well being have been entrusted to our prayers, including: [Sarah Woodbury, Bezelle Thomas, Bessie Mann, Marla Jones, Raven Taylor and family, Jeff Wilkerson, Ashley Walker and family, Bernard Walker, Beverly Taylor, Rosemary Nabor, Louise Cade, Kathy Mahoney and family, Andrea Rodgers, Jeannette Brownson and family, Booker Diggins, Ill, Joy Warde, Tiffany Fleming-Withrow, Evelyn Clay, Kathy Butler, Michael Mann, Al Moffet, Dave Morentz, Richard Dunn-Senior, William Bailey, Lauvinia Alston, Joetta Chaplin, and Mark Firley]. Let us pray for all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

In the Anglican Communion, pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; and pray for The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia. Pray for The Episcopal Church in Cuba, Church of Santa Maria, and The Rev. Yordanis Acosta, Rector. In the diocese, pray for Christ Church, Washington Parish; Christ Church Parish, Kensington; Christ Church Accokeek (St. John's Parish) and St. John's Chapel; and Christ Church, Georgetown. For the peace and unity of the Church of God; For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.
Let us pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Mariann, our Bishop; Chilton, our Assisting Bishop; Allan and Douglas, our priests, for all who minister at St. Paul’s Church; and for all bishops and other ministers;
*For all who serve God in His church.*

For the special needs of this congregation.

*Silence*

*The people may add their own petitions*

Hear us, Lord:
*For your mercy is great.*

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own thanksgivings*

We will exalt you, O God our King;
*And praise your name for ever and ever.*

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
*Who put their trust in you.*

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence may be kept.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect, or the following Doxology*

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and forever. **Amen.**
The Collect of the Day

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.

The Collect for Sundays

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Prayer for Mission

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. Amen.

A prayer for the Holy Spirit presence among God's people

God of all power and love, we give thanks for your unfailing presence and the hope you provide in times of uncertainty and loss. Send your Holy Spirit to enkindle in us your holy fire. Revive us to live as Christ’s body in the world: a people who pray, worship, learn, break bread, share life, heal neighbors, bear good news, seek justice, rest and grow in the Spirit. Wherever and however we gather, unite us in common prayer and send us in common mission, that we and the whole creation might be restored and renewed, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For those who are ill

Merciful God, we entrust to your unfailing and tender care, those who are ill or in pain, knowing that whenever danger threatens your everlasting arms are there to hold us safe. Comfort and heal them, and restore them to health and strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
Prayer for Lives That Matter

God of Abel and Cain, the one who was slain and the one who denied complicity or responsibility: visit those who can’t breathe because of the virus or because of oppression at the hands of another. Raise up leaders who offer their people vision and hope; empower any who dwell in the midst of violence or live in the face of prejudice, and make your people a rainbow that promises plenty at the end of the storm. All this we ask, in the name of Christ, our brown-skinned Lord, and in the power of the Spirit, who speaks in every tongue. Amen.

(Rev. Dr. Sam Wells, St Martin-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar Square, London, UK)

Prayer for Racial Healing

God of justice, in your wisdom you create all people, without exception, in your image. Open our eyes to see the dignity, beauty, and worth of every human being. Open our minds to understand that all your children are brothers and sisters in the same human family. Open our hearts to repent of racist attitudes, behaviors, and speech which demean others. Open our ears to hear the cries of those wounded by racial discrimination and their passionate appeals for change. Strengthen our resolve to make amends for past injustices and to right the wrongs of history. And fill us with courage that we might seek to heal wounds, build bridges, forgive and be forgiven, and establish peace and equality for all in our communities. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen. (Catholic Charities USA)

For hospital staff and medical researchers

Gracious God, give skill, sympathy and resilience to all who are caring for the sick, and your wisdom to those searching for a cure. Strengthen them with your Spirit, that through their work many will be restored to health; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The people offer their intercessions and thanksgivings

Prayers when we cannot receive Holy Communion

In union, O Lord Jesus Christ, with the faithful at every altar of your Church, where your blessed Body and Blood are being offered to the Father, I join in offering the
sacrifice of my praise and thanksgiving to you. I present to you myself, my soul, and my body, with the earnest longing that I may ever be united to you. And since I cannot now receive you in this Holy Sacrament, come spiritually, I pray you, into my heart. I unite myself to you, and love you with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, and with all my strength. Let nothing ever separate me from you. Let me live and die in your love. Amen.

*Adapted from Prayers from the Anglican Diocese of Melanesia*

**Offertory**

Officiant: Walk in love as Christ loved us and by whose death on the cross showed us the way to eternal life

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Please consider making your contribution to St. Paul’s Saints' via our online giving portal at [https://www.stpaulsrockcreek.org/give-online/](https://www.stpaulsrockcreek.org/give-online/). Due to the pandemic and our inability to gather in person, we experienced a shortfall in plate giving in 2020 pledge giving. Your gift provides support for our worship, ministries, and programs. Thank you for worshipping, sharing, and prayerfully supporting the life and ministries here at St. Paul’s.

You may also support the mission and ministry of this parish by going to your Realm account and selecting “Giving.”

**The General Thanksgiving**

*Said by all*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation, 
and all the blessings of this life; 
but above all for your immeasurable love 
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; 
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. 
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, 
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, 
not only with our lips, but in our lives, 
by giving up our selves to your service, 
and by walking before you 
in holiness and righteousness all our days; 
through Jesus Christ our Lord, 
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, 
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our 
common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son 
that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of 
them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us 
in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

The Officiant concludes with the following
Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or 
imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus 
for ever and ever. Amen. Ephesians 3:20,21
Welcome to St. Paul’s Episcopal Church

A WARM WELCOME TO ALL GUESTS AND VISITORS WORSHIPING WITH US THIS MORNING!! Please take the time to fill out a welcome card and join us for Coffee Hour immediately following the service. Fellowship is an important part of our Christian life and we look forward to seeing you.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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January 11<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee Meeting, Zoom@6 PM

January 18<sup>th</sup> MLK Day observed; Offices Closed

January 19<sup>th</sup> Vestry Meeting, Zoom@7 PM
Thank you to the angels of St. Paul’s for spearheading our ministry with the **Capital Area Food Bank**.

Forty-one years ago (1980), the Capital Area Food Bank opened its doors on M.L. King Jr.’s birthday to honor his legacy; believing it would be a temporary measure for addressing ways to eradicate hunger, food insecurity and poverty in the DC metro area. Thirty years ago (1991), the Capital Area Food Bank opened a new warehouse in the Brookland neighborhood. Today, Capital Area Food Bank, with warehouses in the Brookland neighborhood of the and Lorton, Virginia, is the largest organization in the Washington metro area working to solve the problem of hunger and its ancillary problems such as chronic undernutrition, heart disease, diabetes, and obesity.

**Because of the** pandemic and because we were limited in our ability to accept perishable donations and delivering these items to the Food Bank; at the April meeting, the Vestry voted to donate $5,000 to the Capital Area Food Bank. In 2020, members of St. Paul’s donated $550.00 for the Food Bank. This amount combined with prior years donations of $1,560.00, allowed us to make an additional donation of $2,110.00. We also had members of St. Paul’s who made direct donations to the Food Bank. Thank you for your ongoing support of this important ministry.

This is also an invitation to anyone who would like to work on this outreach ministry of collecting and delivering food to the Food Bank. If you are interested in helping, please contact Gloria Tapera at [gloria.tapera@gmail.com](mailto:gloria.tapera@gmail.com) or 301-622-3416.

*You pray for the hungry. Then you feed them. This is how prayer works.*

*Pope Francis*
WORSHIP SCHEDULE & CALENDAR

Birthdays and Anniversaries
January 2021

Birthdays
Evelyn Wallace 1st
Walter Roberts, Jr 4th
Joaquin Alcock 5th
Helen James 10th
Basha Cyrus 11th
Donna Johnson-Bailey 11th
Josephine Fawkes 11th

Isla Beltran 11th
Shirley Gordon 17th
Josephina Alcock 17th
Jean Ringuette 27th
Erica Morse 28th
Emily Galls 28th

Anniversaries
Larry & Uzma Dorman 1st

ASSISTING AT THE SERVICE TODAY
Eucharistic Ministers

8:00 a.m. ................................................................................................................. 10:30 a.m.

Lectors
Old Testament
Barbara Walker ................................................................. Rhina Bobb

Epistle
Iris Snowden ................................................................. Ann Robinson

Prayers of the People
Lauren Walker-Green ......................................................... Joseph Alcock
Mission Statement

To be one family in Christ using our gifts and resources; and to respond to the spiritual, social and human needs of our parish and community.

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