



SAINT MARK'S  
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL  
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

*with* BAPTISMS

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY:  
THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

January 11, 2026

9:00 AM





#### LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT & WELCOME

*Saint Mark's Cathedral acknowledges that we gather on the traditional land of the first people of Seattle, the Duwamish People, who are still here, and we honor with gratitude the land itself and the life of all the Coast Salish tribes.*

#### QUESTIONS?

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#### ABOUT THE LITURGY

*Worship lies at the heart of the Christian life. It is in worship that we express our theology and define our identity. We encounter God within worship and are formed and transformed as the people of God. One of the hallmarks of the Episcopal Church is its liturgical worship. Liturgy literally is "the work of the people," and refers to the patterns, forms, words, and actions through which public worship is conducted.*

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The service usually begins with an organ prelude or other music designed to call us into worshipful presence.

**PRELUDE** *Allein Gott in der Hoh sei Her*  
(Tune of Hymn 421, “All glory be to God on high”)

Georg Böhm

## LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

As a gathered community, we join together in praising God in song.

*All stand, as able.*

**HYMN 616** *Hail to the Lord’s anointed* (verses 1, 2, 4) ♦ *The Hymnal 1982* *Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

*The Book of Common Prayer* (1979), p. 299

*Presider* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*Assembly* **And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*Presider* There is one Body and one Spirit;  
*Assembly* **There is one hope in God’s call to us;**

*Presider* One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;  
*Assembly* **One God and Father of all.**

The collect is the prayer designated for each Sunday that “collects” or captures the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures for the day.

**COLLECT OF THE DAY** *The Baptism of our Lord*

*The Book of Common Prayer* (1979), p. 214

*Presider* The Lord be with you.  
*Assembly* **And also with you.**  
*Presider* 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.

**All Amen.**

*Please be seated for the readings.*

The first reading is usually drawn from the Hebrew Scriptures or Acts or Revelation, inviting us to trace our heritage in God's historical covenant with the People of God.

**READING** *Isaiah 42:1-9*

**H**ERE 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* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
*Assembly* **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm is a sung response to the previous reading. Psalms are the songbook of the Hebrew Scriptures. They express every emotion known to humankind.

**PSALM**

*Psalm 29 ♦ St. Helena Psalter*

Simplified Anglican Chant by Jerome Webster Meachen

*The organist will play through the chant once, then all chant the Psalm together.*



*Afferte Domino*

**A**SCRIBE to God, you heavenly / beings, \*  
Ascribe to God glory and / strength.  
Ascribe due honor to God's holy / Name; \*  
worship the Most High in the beauty of / holiness.

The voice of God is upon the waters;  
the God of glory / thunders; \*  
God is upon the mighty / waters.  
The voice of God is a powerful / voice; \*  
the voice of God is a voice of / splendor.

The voice of God breaks the / cedar trees; \*  
God breaks the cedars of / Lebanon;  
God makes Lebanon skip like a / calf \*  
and Mount Hermon like a young wild / ox.

The voice of God splits the flames of fire;  
the voice of God shakes the / wilderness; \*  
God shakes the wilderness of / Kadesh.  
The voice of God makes the oak trees / writhe \*  
and strips the forests / bare.

*2<sup>nd</sup> half of chant:*

And in the temple of the / Holy One, \*  
all are crying, / "Glory!"

God sits enthroned above the / flood, \*  
enthroned as Sovereign for ever-/ more.  
God shall give strength to the / people; \*  
God shall give the people the blessing of / peace.

This reading, taken from the New Testament, is typically from a letter (epistle) to the early Church, the Acts of the Apostles, or the Revelation to John.

**READING** *Acts 10:34-43*

**P**ETER began to speak to them: “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* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

*Assembly* **Thanks be to God.**

The sequence hymn or Gospel acclamation moves us toward the summit of the Liturgy of the Word—the reading of the Holy Gospel. Gospel means “good news”—specifically the “good news of Jesus Christ.”

*All stand, as able.*

*Children are invited to join the Gospel Procession, and gather around as the Gospel is proclaimed. Children ages 3-8 are then invited to Children’s Chapel in Thomsen Chapel. They will return for the baptisms. Parents are welcome to join their children.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** Tone 2; refrain from *Tibi, Christe, splendor Patris*, 12<sup>th</sup> cent.; adapt. Marilyn L. Haskel  
*The choir introduces the Alleluias, all repeat them. The choir sings the verse, then all repeat the Alleluias.*



*Verse:* All of you who were baptized into Christ, have clothed yourselves with Christ. (*Galatians 3:27*)

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This reading is taken from one of the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John), which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection, and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. We stand for the Gospel reading to show the particular importance placed on Jesus's words and actions.

**THE HOLY GOSPEL** *Matthew 3:13-17*

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*Assembly* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**J**ESUS 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."

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

*Assembly* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The homily directly follows the Gospel because it is grounded in the scriptures. It illuminates the scriptural readings and relates them to daily life.

**HOMILY**

The Reverend Canon Richard C. Weyls

*Following the homily, the assembly is invited into a period of silence, reflecting on the scriptures and sermon.*

# HOLY BAPTISM

## CANDIDATES FOR BAPTISM

SARAH EVELYN MYHRE  
ZACHARIAH REYNOLDS

*The Assembly remains seated during the presentation of the candidates.*

### PRESENTATION & EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

*The Book of Common Prayer (1979), p. 301*

*The candidates for Baptism are formally presented.*

*All stand, as able, when the Presider addresses the Assembly.*

*Presider* Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

*Assembly* **We will.**

### THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

*The Book of Common Prayer (1979), p. 304*

*Presider* Let us join with those who are being committed to Christ, and renew our own Baptismal Covenant.

*Presider* Do you believe in God the Father?

*Assembly* **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

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

*Assembly* **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.**

*Presider* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*Assembly* **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.**

*Presider* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

*Assembly* **I will, with God's help.**

*Presider* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

*Assembly* **I will, with God's help.**

*Presider* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*Assembly* **I will, with God's help.**

*Presider* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

*Assembly* **I will, with God's help.**

*Presider* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

*Assembly* **I will, with God's help.**

*Presider* Will you cherish the wondrous works of God, and protect the beauty and integrity of all creation?

*Assembly* **I will, with God's help.**

**PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES**

*The Book of Common Prayer (1979), p. 305*

*Deacon* Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

*Assembly* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Deacon* Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

*Assembly* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Deacon* Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

*Assembly* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Deacon* Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

*Assembly* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Deacon* Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

*Assembly* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Deacon* Send them into the world in witness to your love.

*Assembly* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Deacon* Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

*Assembly* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*The Presider prays a concluding Collect. All respond: Amen.*

*Everyone is invited to leave their seats and gather around the font in order to have a better view of the Baptisms.*

**THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER**

*The Book of Common Prayer (1979), p. 306*

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*Assembly* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*Assembly* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*Assembly* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*The Presider thanks God for the gift of water, and for the waters of Baptism. The Presider concludes:*

*Presider* Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever.

*Assembly* **Amen.**

## THE BAPTISMS

*Each candidate is baptized in the Name of the Trinity.*

*The Assembly responds: Amen.*

*Then each is sealed with chrism, oil blessed by the Bishop during Holy Week for use at Baptism.*

*The Assembly responds: Amen.*

*Candles lit from the Paschal Candle are presented to the newly baptized as a symbol of our Baptismal Ministry to carry the light of Christ into the world.*

*When these actions have been completed for all candidates, the Presider then prays over the newly baptized.*

*The Assembly responds: Amen.*

## WELCOME

*Presider* Let us welcome the newly baptized.

*Assembly* **We receive you into the household of God.**

**Confess the faith of Christ crucified,  
proclaim his resurrection,  
and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

## BAPTISMAL SPRINKLING

*The Assembly is sprinkled with blessed water from the Baptismal font, as a sign and reminder of our own Baptism.*

## MUSIC DURING THE SPRINKLING *Vidi aquam*

WORDS: based on Ezekiel 47:1, 9

MUSIC: from the *Liber usualis*

*Chanted by the cantor.*

I saw water proceeding out of the temple, from the right side thereof, alleluia: and everything whithersoever the waters of life shall come, shall be healed, and shall say, alleluia, alleluia.

## THE PEACE

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

*Assembly* **And also with you.**

*All greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

# THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Having listened to the Word of God, affirmed our faith, confessed our sins, received forgiveness, and shared in the peace, we are prepared for the mystery and miracle of the Holy Communion. At the offertory, we gratefully offer back to God some of what God has given us, symbolically in the bread and wine, and in the money we give.

## OFFERTORY

*An offering of money is received. Everyone participating in worship is invited to make an offering in gratitude for God's generosity. Together, these gifts make possible this community of welcome, reconciliation and service. Those worshipping in person may place their offering in baskets as they are passed through through the rows.*

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## ANTHEM

*This is my beloved Son*

WORDS: Matthew 17:5

MUSIC: Knut Nystedt

He was still speaking, when lo, a bright cloud overshadowed them,  
And a voice from the cloud said:  
“This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; hear ye Him.”

In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus himself asked us: thank God and recall all that God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. The Great Thanksgiving, or Eucharistic Prayer, is a lengthy prayer with several intentions. We recount the story of Jesus at the Last Supper, where he took, blessed, broke, and gave bread and wine as sacraments of his body and blood. We begin the Great Thanksgiving with the *Sursum corda*, meaning “Lift up your hearts.”

*All stand, as able.*

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING** *Eucharistic Prayer B*, adapt.

*The Book of Common Prayer* (1979), p. 367

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*Assembly* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*Assembly* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*Assembly* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*Presider* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, the Maker of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) is the hymn of praise that never ceases before God and is based on Isaiah 6:3.

**SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS**

Mathias

*Organ:*

*Everyone:*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of po-wer and might,  
 heav'n and earth are full\_ of your glo-ry. Ho san na in the high-est.  
 Bless-ed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

We recall God's acts of salvation history. The presider says the "Words of Institution" that Jesus said at the Last Supper. At the Memorial Acclamation we remember Christ's death, resurrection, and promise to return at the end of the age.

During the prayer, the Holy Spirit is invoked to bless and sanctify the gifts of bread and wine.

*Presider* We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. Through Mary's Holy Child, you have delivered us from evil and made us worthy to stand before you. You have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O God:

***All* We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

*Presider* And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Dear One; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, gather all things into the circle of Christ's love, and bring us to that heavenly country where with Mary, Mark, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of all your children; through Jesus Christ, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Most Blessed One, now and forever.


The Great Amen unites the congregation in one great voice as we concur with all that the presider has prayed. It is the only "AMEN" in all capitals found in the Book of Common Prayer, signifying the importance of the congregation's response.

***All* AMEN.**

We pray together the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray. The link between our daily bread and the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist is an ancient connection.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

McNeil Robinson



Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-owed be your Name, your king-dom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heav-en. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins as we for-give  
those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of trial, and de-liv-er us from e - vil.  
For the king-dom, the pow-er, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.


*In silence, the Presider breaks the consecrated bread.*

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Plainsong, Mode 6

*The choir introduces the Antiphon, all repeat it.*

*The choir chants the verse, all repeat the Antiphon as indicated.*



We who are\_\_ ma - ny are one bo - dy,\_\_ for we all\_\_ share in the one\_\_ bread.  
Verse: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. ANTIPHON

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Presider* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All may be seated for the time of Communion. All seeking God are welcome at Christ's Table.*

*Please follow the directions of the Liturgical Ministers. Bread and wine are distributed at standing stations at the head of three aisles. The bread will be placed into your outstretched palm. If you prefer a gluten-free wafer, simply ask for one at the time of Communion. If you wish to receive a blessing instead, please cross your arms in front of your chest.*

*Intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) is not available at this time. If you do not wish to drink from the common cup, please cross your arms in front of your chest as you pass by the chalice. The full grace of the sacrament is received with only the bread.*

**ANTHEM***Tomorrow shall be my dancing day*

Trad. English Carol, arr. Martin Shaw

Tomorrow shall be my dancing day:  
 I would my true love did so chance  
 To see the legend of my play,  
 To call my true love to my dance:  
*Sing O my love, my love, my love;  
 This have I done for my true love.*  
 Then was I born of a virgin pure,  
 Of her I took fleshly substance;  
 Thus was I knit to man's nature,  
 To call my true love to my dance: *Refrain*

In a manger laid and wrapped I was,  
 So very poor this was my chance,  
 Betwixt an ox and a silly poor ass,  
 To call my true love to my dance: *Refrain*  
 Then afterwards baptized I was;  
 The Holy Ghost on me did glance,  
 My Father's voice heard from above,  
 To call my true love to my dance: *Refrain*

*After communion, the assembly is invited to remain seated for a period of silence, contemplating the gifts of God given and received.*

From the earliest days of the Church, members of the congregation took bread to those who were ill or could not be present in person.

*All stand, as able.*

**SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS**

*Presider* One body are we.

*Assembly* **For, though many, we share one bread and one cup.**

*Deacon* Go in peace, bearing holy gifts for holy people.

Before concluding the service, we give thanks to God for the gifts received, and the Presider pronounces a blessing in God's name upon the assembly. A closing hymn and the dismissal conclude the liturgy.

**POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER**

*The Book of Common Prayer (1979), p. 365*

*Presider* Eternal God, heavenly Father,

*All* **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.**

**BLESSING**     *The Presider asks God's blessing on the assembly. All respond: Amen.*

**HYMN 121**     *Christ, when for us you were baptized ♦ The Hymnal 1982*

*Caithness*

**DISMISSAL**

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

**VOLUNTARY**     *Small Fugue*

Theophil Forchhammer

## MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

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The Very Rev. Steven L. Thomason

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The Rev. Canon Richard C. Weyls

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