

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THIRD SUNDAY after the EPIPHANY

January 25, 2026

10:30 A.M.



St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church
in the Admiral District of West Seattle

*We acknowledge that we are on the unceded traditional land of the Coast Salish people,
including the Duwamish and Suquamish People past and present.*

We honor with gratitude the land itself and the Duwamish and Suquamish tribes.

Please know, that wherever you are in your spiritual journey, you have a place at St. John's.

Portions of this service are from the optional expansive-language versions of the 1979 *Book of Common Prayer*, as authorized by the 79th General Convention in 2018.

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude

Ashokan Farewell, arr. for violin and piano

Jay Ungar (b. 1946)

You may recognize Jay Ungar's *Ashokan Farewell* as the theme song of Ken Burns' documentary, *The Civil War*. You may not know the history of the piece, however. Jan Ungar and his wife, Molly Mason, run a music and dance camp called Ashokan in the Catskill Mountains each summer. Per Ungar, Ashokan is an Indigenous word meaning 'to fish.'

In 1982 Ungar was feeling melancholy about the end of camp, picked up his 'fiddle' and composed a lament. By the time it had come together he was in tears. His band, Fiddle Fever, included *Ashokan Farewell* on the album *Waltz of the Wind*. Ken Burns heard it and asked Ungar about using it as the theme for *The Civil War*. The rest is history.

Ringing of the church bell, standing as able.

Hymn 537

Christ for the world we sing

TUNE: *Moscow*

1 Christ for the world we sing! The world to
 2 Christ for the world we sing! The world to
 3 Christ for the world we sing! The world to
 4 Christ for the world we sing! The world to

Christ we bring with lov - ing zeal; the poor, and
 Christ we bring with fer - vent prayer; the way - ward
 Christ we bring with one ac - cord; with us the
 Christ we bring with joy - ful song; the new - born

them that mourn, the faint and o - ver - borne,
 and the lost, by rest - less pas - sions tossed,
 work to share, with us re - proach to dare,
 souls, whose days, re - claimed from er - ror's ways,

sin - sick and sor - row-worn, whom Christ doth heal.
 re - deemed at count - less cost from dark de - spair.
 with us the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.
 in - spired with hope and praise, to Christ be - long.

Words: Samuel Wolcott (1813-1886)

Music: *Moscow*, melody Felice de Giardini (1716-1796); harm. *The New Hymnal*, 1916,
 based on *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, and Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

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Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.

People **And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.**

Presider 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.**

Gloria S278

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 glo - ry of
God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.

Setting: William Mathias (b. 1934)

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The Collect of the Day

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Sending of Children to Children's Chapel

All children about age 3 through 4th grade are invited to go forward to the stairs in the front of the church for a prayer sending them and their leaders to Children's Chapel.

Presider Children of God, go forth to receive God's word. May it light your way, and fill your lives with hope and joy. In the name of Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

You may be seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Isaiah 9:1–4

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness— on them light has shined.

You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder.

For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Response



SJB Psalm Tone 8, Thomas Aláan

Psalm 27:1, 5–13 • *Dominus illuminatio*

1 ¹The LORD is my light and my / *sal* / -vation;

¹whom then shall / *I* / fear? *

²the LORD is the strength / *of my* / life;

²of whom then shall I / *be a* / -fraid?

5 ¹**One thing** have I asked of / *the* / LORD;

¹**one thing** / *I* / seek; *

²**that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days** / *of my* / life;

6 ¹To behold the fair beauty of / *the* / LORD *

²and to seek him / *in his* / temple.

7 ¹**For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in** / *his* / shelter; *

¹**he shall hide me in the secrecy of** / *his* / dwelling

²**and set me high u-** / *pon a* / rock.

8 ¹Even now he lifts up / *my* / head *

²above my enemies / *round a* / -bout me.

9 ¹**Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an** / *o* / -blation

¹**with sounds of** / *great* / gladness; *

²**I will sing and make music** / *to the* / LORD.

10 ¹Hearken to my voice, O LORD, when / *I* / call; *

²have mercy on me and / *an-swer* / me.

11 ¹**You speak in my heart and say, "Seek** / *my* / face." *

²**Your face, LORD,** / *will I* / seek.

12 ¹Hide not your face / *from* / me, *

²nor turn away your servant / *in dis* / -pleasure.

13 ¹**You have been** / *my* / helper;

¹**cast me not** / *a* / -way; *

²**do not forsake me, O God of** / *my sal* / -vation.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:10–18

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

Standing as able.

Matthew 4:12–23

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, O Christ.**

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.”

From that time Jesus began to proclaim,

“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Presider The Gospel of our Savior.

People **Praise to you, O Christ.** *You may be seated.*

The Sermon

The Reverend Robert Stevens

There will be a moment for quiet personal reflection.

The Nicene Creed

Standing as able.

People **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 became truly human.**

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,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
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.

Prayers of the People

Intercessor For the light and redemption of God, made known in Jesus Christ, we come with thankful and humble hearts, praying together, "hear our prayer."

Silence may be kept.

Intercessor Christ the Bridegroom, we pray for the universal church. Make us a people who love one another with wisdom and gentleness. Bring healing where there is division. May we seek to follow you more closely. Renew and enliven the global church by the power of your Holy Spirit. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Anglican Church of Chile (Iglesia Anglicana de Chile); and in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer for Good Shepherd, Vancouver; and St. Anne's, Washougal.

Lord of Light,
People **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Christ the King, who came to earth in humility, we pray for our country and all those in authority; for those at all levels of government who lead our nation. We ask for your wisdom to guide those in places of power and influence.

Lord of Light,
People **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Christ the Redeemer, we ask for your healing hand on our suffering world. Bring peace and restoration to this good earth. We pray for our brothers and sisters suffering from poverty, war, starvation, natural disasters, and oppression.

Lord of Light,
People **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Christ our Savior, we pray for our neighbors without shelter, for the addicted, and the mentally ill. Bring an end to racism, bigotry, violence, and rancor. We ask that all would experience the light of your presence and the reality of your love. May we be your hands and feet in loving our neighbors who need us.

Lord of Light,
People **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Christ our Shepherd, we bring you our heartfelt prayers for those in need; those dealing with grief, or experiencing illness or any kind of hardship, especially _____, and those we now name either silently or aloud _____.

Silence may be kept.

Lord of Light,
People **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Christ our Protector, we thank you for all the blessings of this life, for family and friends, and the loving care that surrounds us, especially _____, and I invite your thanksgivings either silently or aloud _____.

Silence may be kept.

Lord of Light,
People **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Christ our eternal Lord, we pray for those who have died and are now in your beautiful dwelling place, especially _____, and those we now name either silently or aloud _____.

Silence may be kept.

Lord of Light,
People **hear our prayer.**

Presider O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Confession

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A moment of reflective silence is kept.

Said by all **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 our Savior 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.**

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. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Those present celebrate the peace with a bow, hands raised in blessing, or the peace sign.

You may be seated.

Welcome and Announcements

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of St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church,
please visit <https://sjbwestseattle.org/give>
or use the SJB Venmo QR code. Thank you.*



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THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Offertory Sentence

Presider Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty. For everything in heaven and on earth is yours. Yours, O Lord is the kingdom, and you are exalted as head over all. — 1 Chronicles 20:11

Please stand as you are able.

Hymn 321

My God, thy table now is spread

TUNE: *Rockingham*

1 My God, thy ta - ble now is spread, thy cup with
2 O let thy ta - ble hon - ored be, and fur - nished
3 Drawn by thy quick - ening grace, O Lord, in coun - tless
4 Nor let thy spread - ing Gos - pel rest till through the
love doth o - ver - flow; be all thy chil - dren
well with joy - ful guests; and may each soul sal -
num - bers let them come and gath - er from their
world thy truth has run, till with this Bread shall
thith - er led, and let them thy sweet mer - cies know.
va - tion see, that here its sa - cred pledg - es tastes.
Fa - ther's board the Bread that lives be - yond the tomb.
all be blessed who see the light or feel the sun.

Words: Sts. 1-3, Philip Doddridge (1702-1751), alt.; st. 4 Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.

Music: *Rockingham*, melody from *Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature*, ca. 1780;

adapt. Edward Miller (1731-1807); harm. Samuel Webber (1740-1816)

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The congregation's gifts of money for the mission and ministry of St. John's and food for the Food Bank and Little Free Pantry are presented and placed on the Holy Table.

Presentation

People All things come from you, O God, and from your own have we given you.

Please remain standing.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A, expansive language

Celebrant *People*
God be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant *People*
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator 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:

Sanctus S128

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven 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.

Setting: William Mathias (b. 1934), alt.

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Please remain standing.

Presider Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and maker of all.

Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Savior Jesus Christ 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."

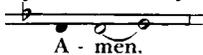
After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:



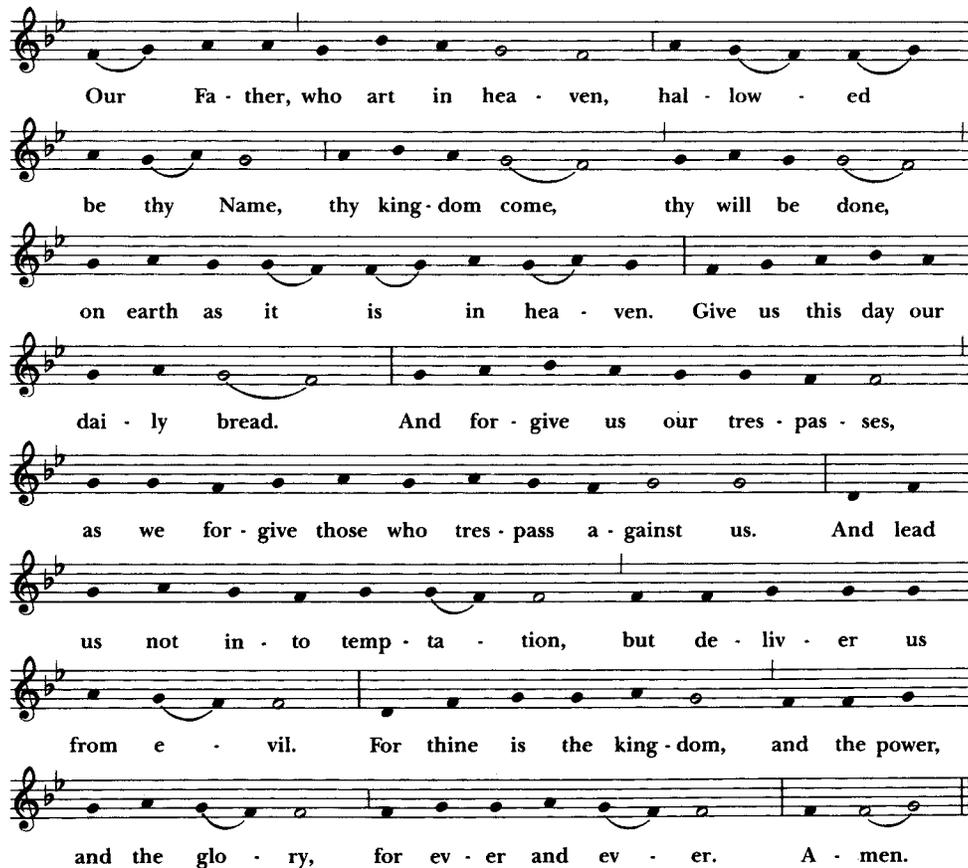
Presider We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.  A - men.

The Lord's Prayer

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



Setting: Plainsong; adapt. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944)

Breaking of the Bread

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem S155

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Setting: Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)

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The Invitation to Communion

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

You may be seated.

To receive Communion, you are invited to come to the altar rail and stand or kneel at one of the cushions. To receive the bread (wafer), please hold your hands palms up, and the Presider will place a wafer in your hands. Gluten-free bread is available for those requiring it. Please indicate this by holding your hands palms down initially. If you do not wish to partake of the consecrated wine from the common chalice, you may consume the wafer at the altar rail or return to your seat to consume it.

To receive the wine, please consume your wafer, and then wait for the Eucharistic Minister to bring the common cup to you at the altar rail. Please do not attempt to intinct (dip) the wafer into the chalice. If you prefer not to partake of the common cup, but would like to receive the words of ministration, simply cross your arms in front of your chest when the Eucharistic Minister comes to you at the altar rail.

Reception of the sacrament in one kind (either bread or wine) is considered a full experience of the sacrament.

If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead of communion, when you come to the altar rail, simply cross your arms in front of your chest, and the Presider will greet you and offer God's blessing.

If you are unable to come forward, ask an usher or someone nearby to request that communion be brought to you.

Communion Anthem

The gift of love

English trad. *O Waly Waly*
arr. Hal Hopson (1933-2025)

Though I may speak with bravest fire,
And have the gift to all inspire,
And have not love, my words are vain,
As sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess,
And striving so my love profess,
But not be given by love within,
The profit soon turns strangely thin.

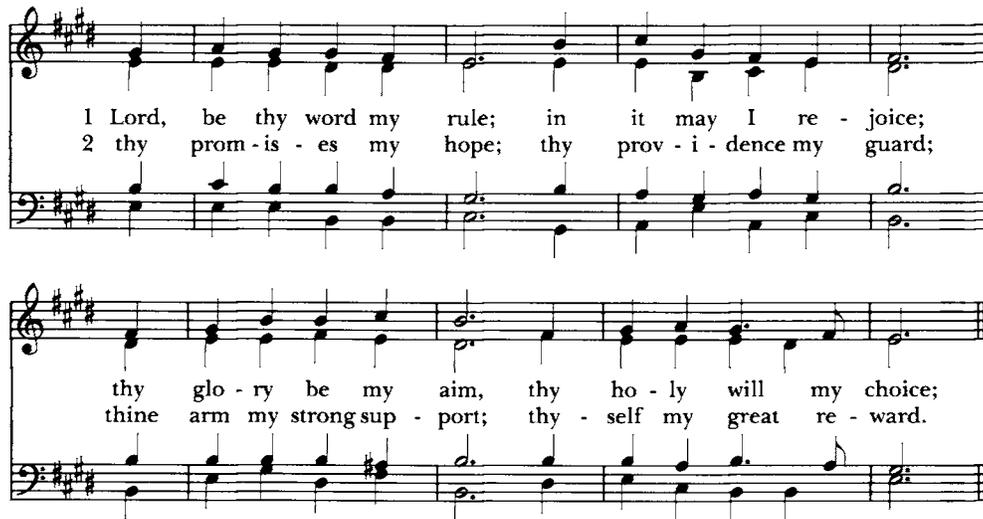
Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,
Our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
By this we worship, and are freed.

Communion Hymn 626

Sung by all.

Lord, be thou my rule

TUNE: *Quam dilecta*



1 Lord, be thy word my rule; in it may I re - joice;
2 thy prom - is - es my hope; thy prov - i - dence my guard;
thy glo - ry be my aim, thy ho - ly will my choice;
thine arm my strong sup - port; thy - self my great re - ward.

Words: Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885)
Music: *Quam dilecta*, Henry Lascelles Jenner (1820-1898)

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Prayer for Those Worshipping at Home During the Time of Communion

Those worshipping at home are invited to pray.

People O Christ, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

— from *Saint Augustine's Prayer Book*, Forward Movement, 2014

Postcommunion Prayer

Please stand as you are able.

Presider Let us pray.

People Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of 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 Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Presider 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. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. Amen.

Hymn 7

Christ, whose glory fills the sky

TUNE: *Ratisbon*

1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ the true, the on - ly Light,
2 Dark and cheer-less is the morn un - ac - com - pan - ied by thee;
3 Vis - it then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!

Sun of Right-eous - ness, a - rise! Tri-umph o'er the shades of night:
joy-less is the day's re - turn, till thy mer - cy's beams I see,
Fill me, ra - dian - cy di - vine; scat - ter all my un - be - lief;

Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap - pear.
till they in - ward light im - part, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the per - fect day.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Music: *Ratisbon*, melody from *Geistliche gesangk Buchleyn*, 1524; adapt. att. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870); harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870), alt.

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Dismissal

Presider Go in peace to love and serve Jesus Christ our Savior.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Postludium, Op 13 No 10

Ernst von Dohnányi (1877-1960)

Serving in Worship This Morning

Altar Guild: Stephanie Bonyng; **Children's Chapel:** Catherine Dodge;

Closer: John Hainze; **Eucharistic Minister/Intercessor:** Linda Barson;

Flowers: Tracey Severtsen, Kelly Chivens; **Livestream:** Walter Johnstone;

Music: Thomas Aláan, Katie Bucy, Joyce Gibb, Linda Hubert, SJB Choir;

Preaching: The Rev. Robert Stevens; **Presiding:** The Rev. Cn. Elise Johnstone;

Readers: Lynn Ogdon-Perrine, Kathy Lund; **Ushers:** The Crosbie Family, Lilith Lysistrata;

Verger: Tom Taylor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today at St. John the Baptist

- 8:30 a.m. Spoken Holy Eucharist in the Church
- 9:30 a.m. Choir Practice in the Choir Room
- 9:30 a.m. SJB Annual Meeting in the Parish Hall
- 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Music in the Church and livestreamed on our YouTube channel
- 10:30 a.m. Children's Chapel
Families begin worshipping in church together, and then children (ages 3–10) will be dismissed for Children's Chapel, with a Godly Play story, returning to the nave at the Peace.
- 11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall
- 12:00 p.m. Walking Through the Bible in the Community Room

Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall

Join us for a time of fellowship in the Parish Hall following our 10:30 a.m. service every Sunday for snacks and coffee. Newcomers are especially invited to attend so we can better get to know you and welcome you to SJB. If you are interested in providing snacks and hospitality during our weekly Coffee Hour, please consider signing up to support this ministry on the yellow sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall. Hosts serve in teams. Experienced hosts are happy to show newcomers the ropes. Thank you!

Sunday Adult Formation Does Not Meet Today

Our Adult Formation topic for the Season after the Epiphany is an Exploration of the Gospel of Matthew. This morning Adult Formation is superseded by the SJB Annual Meeting. Adult Formation will resume next Sunday, February 1. Questions? Email Canon Elise. elise@SJBWestSeattle.org

Zoom Evening Prayer

Evening Prayer is a lovely way to wind down the day. At the beginning of the service, everyone chooses a role. The bulletin is displayed on the screen. At the conclusion there is a short social hour. Come join us on Zoom, Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/229332884>

Youth Group

Students in grades 6–12 are invited to the Parish Hall 7–8:30 p.m. for snacks, games, and conversation on the first and third Sundays of the month. Our next youth group is next Sunday, February 1. Contact Jackson with any questions. familylife@SJBWestSeattle.org

Spiritual Practices Small Groups

SJB will continue our exploration of Spiritual Practices in Small Groups. Our evening Spiritual Practices Group will meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays at 6 p.m., while our daytime group will meet the second and fourth Wednesdays at 11 a.m. Please note that we are took a brief hiatus for Christmas and will resume our scheduled gatherings in January. If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Robert. robert@SJBWestSeattle.org

Walking Through the Bible

Join us on the second and fourth Sundays for *Walking Through the Bible*. You do not have to have a deep knowledge of the Bible to join in these explorations. Join us as we explore a different book of the Bible. We began the fall with a study of the *Letter of Paul to the Galatians*, where Paul writes about how, through Christ, God's blessing is for all, regardless of ethnicity, social status, and more. The group will discern together which book we will explore next. Questions? Please email Canon Elise. elise@SJBWestSeattle.org

Building Preparation Continues for Organ Arrival

Over the course of the next 3–4 weeks, you will notice that some things will be shifting in our worship space, notably in the Nave (pew area), as we prepare for the arrival of the new Rodgers organ. Thanks to all who have attended the listening session about the organ console, and if you have questions, please reach out to Canon Elise. elise@SJBWestSeattle.org

White Center Welcome Meal

It's SJB's turn to coordinate a hot meal for our food-insecure neighbors at Body of Christ Church in White Center on Saturday, February 14. If you'd like to help make casseroles or serve food, please contact Sharon Parker, 206-859-7083, or Carol Long, 206-930-4991.

Men's Gathering

Men of all ages and their partners, friends, and neighbors are invited to a no-host breakfast every second Saturday of the month. Meet at Chelan Café, 3527 Chelan Ave SW, Saturday, February 14, 8 a.m. For more information or a ride, please contact David Perrine, 206-937-2932.

Episcopal 101 Begins February 2

Are you interested in learning more about the Episcopal Church, our Anglican faith tradition, prayer practices, and more? A series of seven evening sessions will begin Monday, February 2, 6:30 p.m. and continues through March 16. If you're interested in signing up or learning more, please add your name to the list in the Narthex or email Canon Elise. elise@SJBWestSeattle.org



St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church in the Admiral District of West Seattle

A Note from Our Rector

We are so glad you are worshipping here today!

Visiting?

If you are visiting with us, we would be glad to answer any questions you may have about the Episcopal Church or about St. John's. I'm Elise, the Rector (the priest in charge) of St. John's— I encourage you to reach out to me— I'd love to meet you!

Interested in Baptism?

In the Episcopal Church, we believe that Baptism by water and in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit is full initiation into the Body of Christ, the Church— regardless in which Christian tradition you may have been baptized.

If you are interested in Baptism, please reach out to me— I would love to talk with you about this.

As we like to say here, wherever you are in your spiritual journey, you have a place at St. John's!

Welcome!

Elise+
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If there is a ministry you're interested in knowing more about or getting involved, you can also contact the office
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Would you like to request that our Prayer Chain pray for you or someone you know? Would you like to add a name to the Prayers of the People? Please visit

<https://sjbwestseattle.org/prayers>

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What's going on at SJB this week

Sunday, January 25, 8:30 AM	Nave
Spoken Holy Eucharist	
Sunday, January 25, 9:30 AM	Parish Hall
SJB Annual Meeting	
Sunday, January 25, 9:30 AM	Choir Room
Choir Practice	
Sunday, January 25, 10:30 AM	Nave
Holy Eucharist with Music	
Sunday, January 25, 10:30 AM	Nave, Large Godly Play Room
Children's Chapel with Godly Play	
Sunday, January 25, 12:00 PM	Community Room
Walking Through the Bible	
Monday, January 26, 4:00 PM	Parish Hall
Endolyne Rehearsal	
Monday, January 26, 6:00 PM	Community Room
AA Shipwrecked	
Tuesday, January 27, 4:00 PM	Parish Hall, Community Room
Endolyne Rehearsal*	
Tuesday, January 27, 6:00 PM	Library
Spiritual Practices Small Group	
Tuesday, January 27, 7:00 PM	Community Room
AA Into Action	
Wednesday, January 28, 11:00 AM	Library
Spiritual Practices Small Group	
Wednesday, January 28, 6:30 PM	Zoom
Zoom Evening Prayer	
Thursday, January 29, 6:30 PM	Nave
Choir Practice	
Thursday, January 29, 7:00 PM	Community Room
AA 12x12	
Friday, January 30, 6:00 PM	Community Room
AA Shipwrecked	
Saturday, January 31, 8:00 AM	Parish Hall, Community Room
Al-Anon	
Sunday, February 1, 8:30 AM	Nave
Spoken Holy Eucharist	
Sunday, February 1, 9:30 AM	Choir Room
Choir Practice	
Sunday, February 1, 9:35 AM	Library
Adult Formation	
Sunday, February 1, 10:30 AM	Nave
Holy Eucharist with Music	
Sunday, February 1, 10:30 AM	Nave, Large Godly Play Room
Children's Chapel with Godly Play	
Sunday, February 1, 3:00 PM	Providence Mt. St. Vincent
Worship at the Mount	
Sunday, February 1, 7:00 PM	Parish Hall
Youth Group	
*Indicates that a group is renting SJB for this use.	