



The Season after the Epiphany

And Jesus went about all Galilee,
teaching in their synagogues,
and preaching the gospel of the kingdom...

February 12, 2023
St. John's, Powell

Welcome

We are so happy you are with us. Please add your voice and heart to the prayers. Help others find a place near you and greet the person next to you as we prepare to worship together. Please stand and sit as you are comfortable.

The Season

“Epiphany” comes from a Greek word meaning “showing forth, appearance, manifestation, revelation.” On January 6th we recognize the Manifestation, (or revelation) of Christ to the Gentiles when the three kings arrived with gifts for the newborn Jesus.

The Feast of the Epiphany is followed by the “Sundays after the Epiphany.” The length of this season of Epiphany varies from four to nine Sundays, depending on the date of Easter. This year, the season lasts through January and to February 19. It’s themes are **light, stars, and gifts**.

Service Texts

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And you should **follow us on facebook**: St John’s Episcopal Church. Yep, no period after St

But here is one for grammatical purposes.

Ministers

Altar Guild	Mary Dillivan
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Greeter	Jim Morales
Worship Leader	Kim Dillivan
Musicians	Tom Walker Kathy Walker
Reader	Scott Larsen
Preacher	Charlotte Patrick
Intercessor	Katy Lytle
Presider	David Fox
Communion Server	Laura Greathouse
Communion Server	Lynda Ramier
Communion Bread	Jessica Smith

Following the service today, please join us downstairs for refreshments and fellowship. Today's hosts are Marlynn Riker and Cynthia Garhart.

Prayer Concerns

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Episcopal Church in the Philippines

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Our Father's House, Ethete

Shirley & Deb; Charlie & Jane; Wayne & Wendy; Richard & Jennifer; Tim & Lynnae; Robin & Mark; Sharon & Steve; Margie & Josey; John Grover & Family; Bobbi & Bentley; Mike & Michelle, Bob & Charlotte; Ann & Martha; Hunter & Charlotte; Cynthia, Tammy, Rob K., Bobby B., Larry, Alex, Irene, Nancy, Alan, Katy, Marlynn, Sue, Kahli, Ron, and Marge	Justin, Ryan, Jacob, Patrick, Chip, and Sam who are serving in the military. Josephine DeWitt who resides at Canyon Creek Care Center and Don Smith who resides at American House Assisted Living, Orange City, FL.
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Celebrations

Birthday: Josephine DeWitt—14th, David Clabaugh—15th, Dylan Asay—15th,

Kathy Walker—15th, Justine Larsen—16th, Devin Matthews—17th

Anniversary: Susan & Jim McEvoy—13th

Prelude

“The Lord Is My Light and My Salvation,” Suzanne Davis Harden

Welcome

Hymn

Verses



1. The ___ Lord is my light, my ___ help, my sal -
2. There is one thing I ask of the Lord that I
3. I ___ know I will live to ___ see the Lord's

1. va - tion. Why should I fear? With God I fear
2. long for: all of my days with God to be
3. good-ness; now, in this life, I'm sure I will

1. no one. God pro - tects me ___ all my ___
2. dwell-ing, gaz - ing with awe at the beau - ty of
3. see it. Trust in the Lord, be ___ strong and be

1. life. With the Lord what should I ___ dread? ___
2. God, and in won - der look on God's house. ___
3. brave; wait in hope for God, our sal - va - tion.

Refrain



The Lord is my light, the Lord is my
help, the Lord is my sal - va - tion.

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Gathering

Arise, shine, for your light has come!
In Christ we behold the light of God.
Yours, O God, is the power to make all things new,
to keep us in sunlight and moonlight.

Confession

As children of God's light,
we are called to participate in what is good and right and true,
and expose what is unfruitful and evil.
Knowing that we turn from the light,
we bring our confession to God.
Gracious God,
we are people who still love darkness rather than light.
We keep shameful deeds secret,
but flaunt our occasional acts of virtue.
We see ourselves as blameless,
but pass judgment on others.
We do not stand firmly enough
with those who are vulnerable,
but step back, protecting ourselves.
Forgive us, we pray.
Bring us into your light that we may know ourselves loved.
Bring us into your light that we may live fruitful lives.
Shine upon us with your grace.
We pray in the name of Jesus,
the light of the world.
Amen.
God's goodness and mercy will follow us, pursue us,
all the days of our life.
As God's forgiven people,
receive this goodness and mercy,
and live a new life in the grace of Jesus.
Amen.

Prayer of the Season

Let us pray.
God of wonder and mystery,
God of the stars and the universe,
God of winding ways and straight paths,
we gather today with gratitude
for the gift of your constant presence,
and your trustworthy guidance.
Grace us with the hospitality
to open our hearts and homes
to visitors filled with unfamiliar wisdom
bearing profound and unusual gifts. Amen.

Alleluia

The cantor sings through once, we sing twice.

Musical notation for the Alleluia. It consists of two staves of music in G major (one sharp) and common time. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a common time signature. The melody is: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4-A4 (beamed eighth notes), G4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (half). The lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia." are written below the notes. The second staff begins with a treble clef and a common time signature. The melody is: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4-A4 (beamed eighth notes), G4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (half). The lyrics "Son of God Heav'n to earth, al - le - lu - ia." are written below the notes. A small number '5' is written above the first note of the second staff.

Arr. Tom Walker

Scripture

We sit
Radiant Morning Star,
your prophets speak of the coming light of God
which calls people of the earth together in God's realm of shalom.
Let us hear in these words your vision of wholeness
through the presence of Jesus.
Amen.

A reading from Matthew.

After the reading

The Word of God, the light of life.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Prayers

God of the stars and moon, in every gathering of Christian believers,
you bring together a people of gifts, strengths, and needs
to manifest the universal body of Christ.

In peace we pray, saying

God of radiance and warmth, **hear our prayer.**

The intercessor continues with the prayers, concluding with

God, you are the giver of all good things:
receive our prayers that we offer.

In all things, grant us the courage
to exercise your gifts for the good of our world,
through Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

As our Savior taught us, we now pray.

**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.**

Peace

We stand.

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

We may greet one another in the name of God.

Announcements

Offertory

We come to share our gifts and resources
In order to care for one another
and for the world Christ came to save.

Music

“Come Ye Thankful People Come,” Henry Alford.

Great Thanksgiving

We stand.

God is with you.

And also with you.

Let us open our hearts.

We open them up to our God.

Let us give thanks to the God of Light.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Bright shining God, inner light of all faithful souls,
we celebrate your gifts of love, creation, and beauty.

We rejoice that you have made us in your image
and call us to live in your limitless love.

You bring people to the dawn of your rising.

You sent your only child, our morning star,
to light a way in our night and lead us to justice and peace.

Your Holy Spirit shines good news into our lives.

Each daybreak you call us to feed the hungry, bring recovery of sight,
liberate the oppressed, heal the brokenhearted and bind up their wounds,
and keep watch for the dawn of your commonwealth on earth.

For all of this we give you thanks. And we praise you,
joining our voices with all life on earth and the company of heaven,
who forever sing their hymns to proclaim the glory of your name.

Argentine Sanctus

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus took bread,
and after giving thanks broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying,
Take, eat; this is my body given for you. Whenever you do this,
do it in remembrance of me.

After supper, he took the cup, saying,
This cup is the new covenant, sealed in my blood,
shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it, do it in remembrance of me.

This is the mystery of faith:

Dy - ing you de-stroyed our death,
ris - ing you re-stored our life. Lord Je - sus, come in
glo - ry, Lord Je - sus, come in glo - ry.

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Pour out your Holy Spirit on all gathered here,
that we might be your light in the world.
Pour out your Holy Spirit on these gifts of bread and wine,
that we might be infused with the gift of your nourishing guidance.
Transform us with your sustaining grace,
even as we eat of this bread and drink of this wine.
Transfigure us to be your presence in the world,
even as we are redeemed and reclaimed by your great love.
By your Spirit, make us one with Christ,
one with each other, and one in ministry to the world.
Through Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,
all honor is yours, loving God, now and forever more.

A - men, Al - le - lu - ia, all praise to you for - ev - er. A -
men, A - men, to you, O God, now and ev - er - more.

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Breaking the Bread

We break the bread of life,
and that life is the light of the world.
God's gifts for God's people.

The Communion

Please come to the table, whether you are single, married or divorced, drinking, using or sober, abled, disabled, or ill, gay, straight, or discovering, wealthy, getting by or in debt. Christ meets us all.

We approach the altar beginning with those sitting in the last rows; they shall be first. Approach the rail from the left aisle and take a cup; used cups go on the tray on the right. You may receive only bread, only wine, or both. Our Eucharistic bread is handmade and robust. If you prefer a wafer, please tell your server.

Receiving the bread and wine is the central act of worship in the Episcopal Church.

Music

"Wheat and Tares," Benny Permuy, Ashlie Permuy.

"This Little Light of Mine," Traditional.

Prayer of Thanks

We stand.

Let us pray.

In gratitude, O God,

**we have come to your table,
into your presence, into your house.**

**For all that you have done for us,
the weeds, the wheat,
the bread, the wine, the Word, the song,
for bringing us into the light of Jesus Christ,
we offer our thanks and praise.**

**We long to live as children of light,
doing what is pleasing to you through Jesus Christ,
who awakens those who sleep,
and raises those who are dead to new life.**

In his name we pray.

Amen.

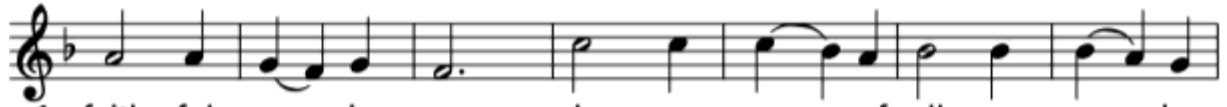
Hymn *Verses 1, 3*



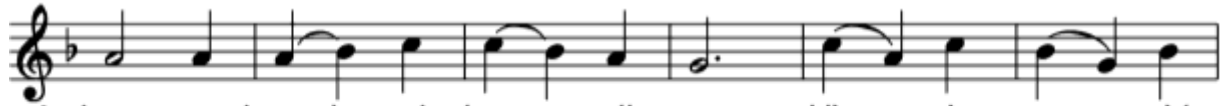
1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to
2. Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er; Let us all your
3. Fin - ish then your new cre - a - tion, Pure and spot - less,



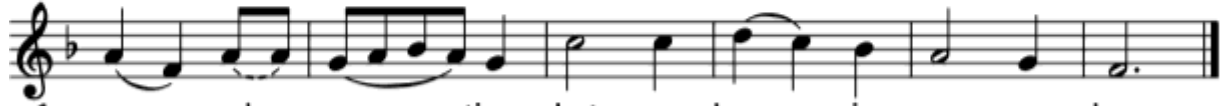
1. earth come down! Fix in us your hum - ble dwell - ing; All your
2. life re - ceive; Sud - den - ly re - turn and nev - er, Nev - er -
3. gra - cious Lord; Let us see your great sal - va - tion Per - fect -



1. faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, source of all com - pas - sion,
2. more your tem - ples leave. Lord, we would be al - ways bless - ing,
3. ly in you re - stored. Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,



1. Love un - bound - ed, love all pure; Vis - it us with
2. Serve you as your hosts a - bove, Pray, and praise you
3. Till in heav'n we take our place, Till we sing be -



1. your sal - va - tion, Let your love in us en - dure.
2. with - out - ceas - ing, Glo - ry in your pre - cious love.
3. fore the al - might - y, Lost in won - der, love and praise.

Text: 87 87 D; Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt. Music: Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887.

Sending

Go peaceably in sunlight and moonlight,
looking upon the hearts of others,
We go with the light of Christ upon us. Alleluia!

Postlude

“Christ Be Our Light,” The University Of Notre Dame Folk Choir & J.J. Wright