



Holy Name

St. John's Episcopal Church
January 1, 2023
Powell, WY

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 service today celebrates **The Holy Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ**. It is the eighth day after the birth of Jesus, when he was circumcised and named: he was called "Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb" (Lk 2:21). It is only every five or six years this observance falls on a Sunday. Devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus is particularly derived from Philemon 2:9-11, which states that God highly exalted Jesus "and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth."

Ministers

Altar Guild	Megan Nickles
Sound	Scott Larsen
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Reader	Marlynn Riker
Intercessor	Debora Smith
Presider	Megan Nickles
Communion Server	Charlotte Patrick
Communion Server	Laura Greathouse
Communion Bread	Laurel McKeen

Following the service today, please join us downstairs for fellowship and refreshments. Today's host is Diana Anderson.

Prayers

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of Mexico
Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. John's, Green River

Richard & Jennifer; Tim & Lynnae; Robin & Mark; Margie & Josey, John Grover & Family; Bobbi & Bentley; Mike & Michelle, Wayne & Wendy; Bob & Charlotte; Ann & Martha; Hunter & Charlotte; Rob K., Carra, Bobby B., Larry, Alex, Irene, Nancy, Alan, Katy, Marlynn, Sue, Kahli, Ron, and Marge

Justin, Ryan, Jacob, Patrick, and Chip who are serving in the military.

Josephine and Dolores who reside at Canyon Creek Care Center and Don Smith who resides at American House Assisted Living, Orange City, FL.

Celebrations

Birthday: Jim McEvoy—1st, Lynda Ramier—1st

Anniversary: Frank Dulin & John Cordner—1st; Cynthia & Martin Garhart—3rd

Prelude

“Holy God, We Praise Thy Name,” Benedictines Of Mary, Queen Of Apostles.

Hymn Verses 1-3



1. Now is the time to gath - er and re-mem - ber
2. This was our call, so clear and so in - vit - ing:
3. And so a - rose from ev - 'ry town and vil - lage
4. Al-might - y God, re - vis - it your cre - a - tion.



1. Our si - lent past, in church a voice - less throng,
2. "Come and cre - ate a new and liv - ing voice.
3. Wom - en and men in won - drous har - mo - ny
4. In - still new life in hearts both old and young.



1. Fro - zen in time as in a cold De - cem - ber,
2. Be not a - fraid! God's spir - it is en - light - 'ning
3. Sing - ing the song with long - lost hope and cour - age,
4. O Je - sus Christ, re - new in us the vis - ion:



1. Un - til that won - drous shep - herd came a - long,
2. All that you do, your ev - 'ry fal - t'ring choice.
3. Rais - ing a - gain the cross for all to see,
4. A world where peace and jus - tice can be - long.



1. Who said, "A - rise! Come, fan the dy - ing em - ber
2. Your song will be trans - form - ing and u - nit - ing.
3. Sign of new hope, new life and new be - gin - nings,
4. O Spir - it Blest, fill ev - 'ry land and na - tion.



1. And bring to life my peo - ple's prayer and song!"
2. You are God's gift— in you we all re - joice!"
3. Sign of the Christ who came to set us free.
4. Come, re - cre - ate in us God's liv - ing song!

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Gathering

You will name him Jesus;
he will save his people from their sins.
He will be great;
he will be called the Son of the Most High.
He will be called Emmanuel:
God is with us.
Whatever you do, in word or deed,
do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus.

Praise We repeat the first three bars, then the second three bars.

Glo - rious is the name of Je - sus, prais - es to his name. Oh,

glo - rious and right - eous and ho - ly is his

name, Oh, glo - ri - ous is his name.

I feel his pres - ence in this place, his Spir - it has con -

trol. Can't you feel his warm em - brace and all the

joy with-in your soul? Oh, glo - ri - ous is his

name, Oh, glo - ri - ous is his name.

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Confession

Let us seek the forgiveness of God
 through Jesus the Savior of the world.

Jesus, name above all names,
 forgive us our lack of reverence and awe in your presence.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Jesus, name of our salvation,
 forgive us our attempts to live in our own strength.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Jesus, name of life and healing,
 forgive us our sins and offences.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

God of all,
whose years never fail
and whose mercies are new each returning day:
let the radiance of your Spirit renew our lives,
warming our hearts and giving light to our minds;
that we may pass the coming year
in joyful obedience and firm faith;
through him who is the beginning and the end,
your Son, Christ the newborn,
Amen.

Scripture

We sit.

Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the Alpha and Omega, the first and the last,
the beginning and the end.

Alleluia.

A reading from Matthew.

What's In our Name?

Speakers come forward.

Commitment

We stand.

Dynamic and holy God,
we remember how you changed the names of Abraham and Sarah,
as they set out to follow you.

We know that you changed the name of Jacob,
after a long night of wrestling with you.

You changed the name of Simon to Peter, Saul to Paul.
You make us, and you change us; you call us by name.

We come before you today, surrounded by community,
with awe and humility to restore ourselves
as named children before you.

Let us pray:

O God, in renaming your servants Abraham, Sarah, Jacob, Peter, and Paul,
you gave them new lives and new tasks, new love and new hope.

Bless each of us with a new measure of grace
as we remember who we are,
and to whom we belong.

Write our names again in your heart and on your palm.
And grant that we all may be worthy to call ourselves Christian,
for the sake of your Christ whose name is Love,
and in whom, with you and the Spirit we pray.

**May your Holy Spirit surround me
and transform me in all truth,
that I, [your name] might grow ever more surely
into the full stature of Christ.**

Jesus said, 'Rejoice that your names are written in heaven!'

Amen!

Prayers of Intercession

O Star-flinging God, whose light dances across eternity,
dazzle us into your presence this new year.

Open our hearts to the mystery of your love.

Awaken us to your presence, knit to the ordinary.

Reveal to us what is possible, but not yet present.

We stand, kneel or sit

We give thanks for the name of Jesus.

We pray for the worship and mission of Christ's Church ...

Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for the world and for its healing ...

We pray for all who carry heavy loads ...

Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray at the beginning of this new year

for renewed discipleship and consecration to the way of the Lord.

Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

We remember with thanksgiving all who have loved the name of Jesus.

We pray that, surrounded by such a cloud of witnesses,

we may run with perseverance the race that is set before us.

Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

whose years never fail and whose mercies are new each returning day:

let the radiance of your Spirit renew our lives,

warming our hearts and giving light to our minds;

that we may pass the coming year in joyful obedience and firm faith;

through him who is the beginning and the end.

Merciful God, accept these prayers.

Amen.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

We may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Offertory

From God's generous mercy we have all received grace upon grace.

Let us give in gratitude for our lives and our inheritance, as those called by name.

Music

"At the Name of Jesus," Red River Hymnal.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is always right to give you thanks,
God our Creator, loving and faithful,
holy and strong.

You made us and the whole universe,
and filled your world with life.

You sent your Son to live among us,
Jesus our Savior, Mary's child.

He suffered on the cross; he died to save us from our sins;
he rose in glory from the dead.

You send your Spirit to bring new life to the world,
and clothe us with power from on high.

And so we join the angels to celebrate and sing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

On the night before he died, Jesus shared a meal with his friends.
He took the bread, and thanked you. He broke it, and gave it to them, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this to remember me.

After the meal, Jesus took the cup of wine.
He thanked you, and gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you. This is my blood,
the new promise of God's unfailing love.
Do this to remember me.

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.

Holy and Naming God, as we bring this bread and wine,
and remember his death and resurrection,
send your Holy Spirit,
that we who share these gifts may be fed by Christ's body and his blood.

Pour your Spirit on us that we may love one another,
work for the healing of the earth,
and share the good news of Jesus, as we wait for his coming in glory.
For honor and praise belong to you, Father,
with Jesus your Son, and the Holy Spirit:
one God, for ever and ever.

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.

Breaking of the Bread

The leader breaks the consecrated bread. There is silence.

Alleluia! He is born.

Christ the Lord is born this day.

The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us
full of grace and truth.

Invitation to communion

The Gifts of God for the people of God.

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 or only wine. Our Eucharistic bread is handmade and robust. If you prefer a wafer, please tell your server.

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

Music

“How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds,” Ordinary Time.

“Holy is Your Name,” David Haas.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We stand.

Let us pray.

Eternal God,

whose incarnate Son was given the Name of Savior:

grant that we who have shared

in this sacrament of our salvation

may live out our years in the power

of the Name above all other names,

Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn

Refrain



At the name of Je - sus ev - 'ry knee shall bend,
at the name of Je - sus ev - 'ry knee shall bend.

Verses



1. 'Tis our God's great plea - sure we should speak God's name,
2. Hum - bled for a sea - son, to re - ceive a name
3. Christ is tru - ly Sav - ior, Christ, the God a - dored,
4. In your hearts en - throne him, there let him sub - due
5. Sis - ters, broth - ers, Je - sus dwells with us a - gain



to Refrain

1. who from the be - gin - ning was for - e'er the same.
2. from the lips of peo - ples un - to whom he came.
3. ev - er to be wor - shiped, ev - er - more a - dored.
4. all that is not ho - ly, all that is not true.
5. now to let his vi - sion o'er our hearts to reign.

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The Dismissal

Jesus, Lord of time,
hold us in your eternity.
Jesus, image of God,
travel with us in the life of faith.
Jesus, friend of sinners,
heal the brokenness of our world.
Jesus, Lord of tomorrow,
draw us into your future.
Go in peace.
Glory, thanks and praise to God.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude

"At the Name of Jesus," Christopher Walker & Caroline Maria.