

First Sunday after the Epiphany

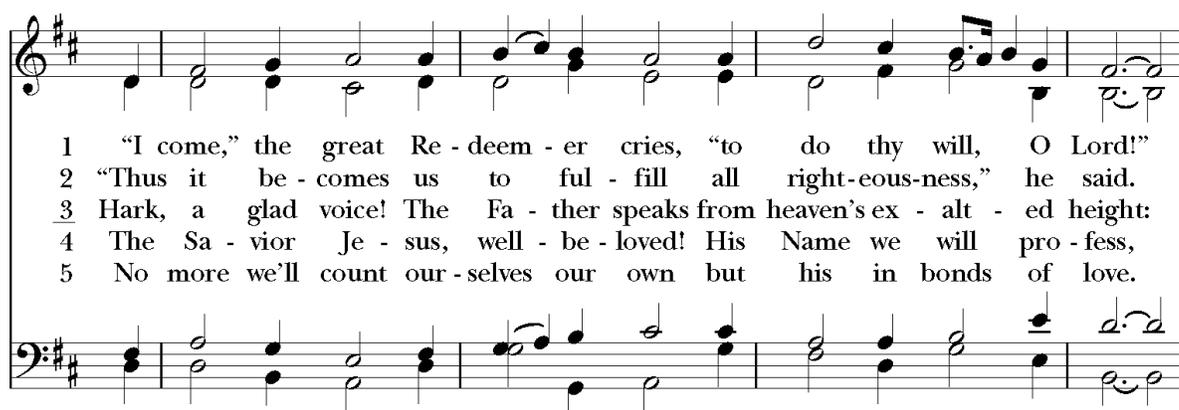
January 10, 2021 10:00 am online service

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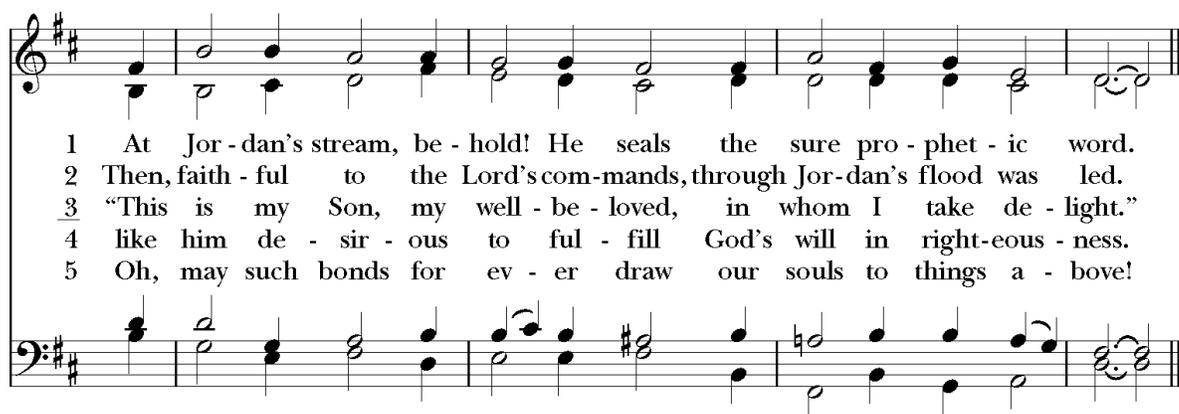
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Opening Hymn: # 116, 1982 Hymnal, “*I come, the great Redeemer cries*”



1 “I come,” the great Re - deem - er cries, “to do thy will, O Lord!”
2 “Thus it be - comes us to ful - fill all right - eous - ness,” he said.
3 Hark, a glad voice! The Fa - ther speaks from heaven’s ex - alt - ed height:
4 The Sa - vior Je - sus, well - be - loved! His Name we will pro - fess,
5 No more we’ll count our - selves our own but his in bonds of love.



1 At Jor - dan’s stream, be - hold! He seals the sure pro - phet - ic word.
2 Then, faith - ful to the Lord’s com - mands, through Jor - dan’s flood was led.
3 “This is my Son, my well - be - loved, in whom I take de - light.”
4 like him de - sir - ous to ful - fill God’s will in right - eous - ness.
5 Oh, may such bonds for ev - er draw our souls to things a - bove!

Officiant: Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising. *Isaiah 60:3*

I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth. *Isaiah 49:6b*

From the rising of the sun to its setting my Name shall be great among the nations, and in every place incense shall be offered to my Name, and a pure offering; for my Name shall be great among the nations, says the Lord of hosts. *Malachi 1:11*

My people, I took you from the ends of the earth, from its furthest corners I called you. I said, "You are my servant, I have chosen you and not rejected you." *Isaiah 41: 8 - 9*

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Officiant: Jesus, light of the world, let your bright star stand over the place where the poor have to live; lead our sages to wisdom and our rulers to reverence. O God, by the leading of a star you revealed your Son Jesus Christ to the gentiles; grant that your Church may be a light to the nations, so that the whole world may come to see the splendor of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever. *Amen. (from "A New Zealand Prayer Book," page 560)*

Officiant: O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise.

People: And your glory all the day long.

All say together: The Lord has shown forth his glory: Come let us adore him.

"Venite" *Soloist, Beth Hilgartner, pianist, Ernie Drown*

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First Lesson: Genesis 1: 1 - 5

Psalm 29

- 1 Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, *
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; *
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders; *
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; *
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.
- 5 The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; *
the LORD 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 LORD splits the flames of fire;
the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; *
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe *
and strips the forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the LORD *
all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; *
the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- 11 The LORD shall give strength to his people; *
the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Second Lesson: Acts 19: 1 - 7

Gospel refrain: # 134, Lift Every Voice Hymnal, "Take Me to the Water" Soloist: Marjorie Strong

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The Sermon: The Rev. Earl Kooperkamp

The Baptismal Covenant

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 Prayers

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Officiant: Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer: *Said in unison:*

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.

Officiant: Show us your mercy, O Lord;

People: And grant us your salvation.

Officiant: Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

People: Let your people sing with joy.

Officiant: Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

People: For only in you can we live in safety.

Officiant: Lord, keep this nation under your care;

People: And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Officiant: Let your way be known upon earth;

People: Your saving health among all nations.

Officiant: Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

People: Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Officiant: Create in us clean hearts, O God;

People; And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Collect of the Day

Officiant: 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.*

A Collect for the First Sunday after the Epiphany

Open the heavens, Holy Spirit, for is to see Jesus interceding for us; may we be strengthened to share his baptism, strengthened to share his cp, and ready t serve him forever. Holy Spirit, as you drove Jesus into the wilderness, when John baptized him and the heavens opened, drive us to wrestle and reflect so that we may fulfill our baptism and live your life of victory. This we ask in the Name of our Savior Jesus. *Amen.* (from "A New Zealand Prayer Book," page 562)

For Social Justice

Almighty God, who created us in your own image: Grant us grace fearlessly to contend against evil and to make no peace with oppression; and, that we may reverently use our freedom, help us to employ it in the maintenance of justice in our communities and among the nations, to the glory of your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

For the Nation

Lord God Almighty, you have made all the peoples of the earth for your glory, to serve you in freedom and in peace: Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Prayer for the Unemployed

Merciful God, we remember before you those who suffer want and anxiety from lack of work. Guide the people of this land so to use our public and private wealth that all may find suitable and fulfilling employment, and receive just payment for their labor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer for Mission

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People: 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 ourselves 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 attributed to St. Francis

Officiant and people: Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. *Amen.*

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Officiant: 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. *Amen.*

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest on the Only-begotten at his baptism in the Jordan River, pour out that spirit on you who have come to the waters of new birth.
Amen.

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the One who is, the One who is the begotten Word, and the One who is the Spirit of Love going forth, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*



Final Hymn: # 121, 1982 Hymnal, "Christ, when for us you were baptized"

1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spi - rit on you came,
2 God called you his be - lov - ed Son, called you his ser - vant true,
3 Straight - way and stead - fast un - til death you then o - beyed his call
4 Bap - tize us with your Spi - rit, Lord, your cross on us be signed,

as peace - ful as a dove and yet as ur - gent as a flame.
sent you his king - dom to pro - claim, his ho - ly will to do.
free - ly as Son of Man to serve and give your life for all.
that, like - wise in God's ser - vice we may per - fect free - dom find.

Reader: Melissa Battah

Prayer list: Pray for our nation, for peace and justice to prevail in the aftermath of the insurrection, for wisdom for our leaders and for God's mercy on us all. Pray for the repose of the souls of those killed in the violence at the US Capitol and God's comfort for their families, especially for the Capitol police officer, Brian Sicknick. Pray that all people of faith continue to work and pray for peace in our world and show God's love and compassion to our neighbors. Pray for Rachel in her recovery from surgery and for Jenn in her help with her daughter. Pray for Baby Ellie and healing after her operations and for her family, for Rosemary as she recovers from her car accident and for Sara, Wendy and Izik, friends of Johannah. Pray for David and his health and emotional well-being. Pray for Ewura-Abena and her children. Pray for the children, teachers, staff and families as the school year continues and pray that all will be safe and remain healthy and the children's education needs will be met. Pray for all who are ill from

Covid-19, for the family members and loved ones of the departed and for medical workers and scientist in their care for those who are sick. Pray for safe housing for Rosie and continued health for her grandmother. Pray for Reesie's nephew Riley. Pray for Lysander's recovery. Pray for Maureen and her family in the midst of economic difficulties. Pray for Debbie in her recovery. Pray for Jim Cruise as he goes through his radiation treatments. Pray for Danny, Felicia and Leo's neighbor. Pray for Betsey in her move to Windsor and for Matt and Karel. Pray for health for Carol Schlank and for Meg, Beth Hilgartner's mother and sister. Pray for health for Janice, Joyce and Chuck. Pray for Andrew, Hallie and Jane. Diocesan Prayers: St. James' Church, Arlington, VT.