



**First Sunday After the Epiphany**  
**The Baptism of our Lord**  
**January 8, 2023**

**WELCOME**

to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

a member of the Central Michigan Episcopal Covenant

**St. Andrew's Episcopal Church**

Big Rapids, MI

Seeking every day to love God  
with our whole heart, mind, and soul, and  
to love our neighbors as ourselves.

**St. Mary's Episcopal Church**

Cadillac, MI

We strive to live out the Great  
Commandment: To love the Lord with all  
our heart, soul, and mind and to love our  
neighbors as ourselves.

If you have a faith or are seeking one, you are always welcome here.

If you are visiting or looking for a spiritual home,  
we'd love to get to know you.

**THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II**

**THE WORD OF GOD**

BCP, p. 355

**Processional Hymn**      *All stand as able.*

Hymnal, #7

**Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity**

**Celebrant**      Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**People**      **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*The celebrant prays the collect for purity.*

**The Gloria**

Hymnal, #S-280

**The Collect of the Day**

**Celebrant**      The Lord be with you.

**People**      **And also with you**

**Celebrant**      Let us pray. *The celebrant prays the collect of the day.*

**The Lessons**      *All sit as able. Text found in the bulletin insert.*

**First Reading**

**Isaiah 42:1-9**

*After the reading:*      **Reader**      The Word of the Lord.

**People**      **Thanks be to God.**

**The Psalm**

**Psalm 29**

**Second Reading**

**Acts 10:34-43**

*After the reading:*      **Reader**      The Word of the Lord.

**People**      **Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Hymn**      *All stand as able.*

**Hymnal, #121**

**The Holy Gospel**

**Matthew 3:13-17**

*Before the Gospel:*

**Celebrant**      Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

*After the Gospel:*

**Celebrant**      The Gospel of the Lord

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

**Homily**

**Mtr. Radha Kaminski**

**The Renewal of Baptismal Vows**      *All stand as able.*

**Officiant**      Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death, and raised with him to newness of life. I call upon you, therefore, to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy Catholic Church.

**Celebrant**      Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

**People**      **I do.**

**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.**

Celebrant May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

### **The Prayers of the People**

**Form VI**

Intercessor In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

**People For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Intercessor For this community, the nation, and the world, especially Joe, our president; Gretchen our govenor; Fred, our mayor;

**People For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Intercessor For the just and proper use of your creation;

**People For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Intercessor For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Intercessor For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**People For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Intercessor For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Prince, our Bishop Provisional; Anne, our Canon Missioner; Radha, our Rector; our Central Michigan Episcopal Covenant; St. Paul's, Saginaw - Judy, Rector

Holy Trinity, Wyoming – Mike, Rector, Church of the Nativity, Boyne City - Kathryn, Senior Warden; for all bishops and other ministers. We pray for all those in our diocese discerning calls to ministry, both lay and ordained. In particular, we pray for those in our dioceses preparing for the Sacred Order of Priests, including Joe, Barrett, Alex, Matt, and Anne Marie. We pray also for those in our dioceses preparing for the Sacred Order of Deacons, including: Abraham, John, Stephanie, Thon, Jennifer, Justin, Jessica, Julianne, Beckett, Rachel, John, Linda, Cathy, Dell, Theresa. We remember with gratitude the retired clergy of the diocese. *Silence*

**People**      **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Intercessor    For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. For those in the St. Andrew’s circle of prayer: Jeanne, Nan, Ollie, Sharyn, Susie, Marty, Rachel, & Doug, Jill, Shelley, Raymond & Carolyn, Carlson Family, Barbara; For those in the St. Mary’s circle of prayer: Heather & Lonnie & Family, Jamie, Kyle, Sherry, Lorie, Reggie, Linda, Anne & Steve, Cindy, Larry, Lisa, Lorie, Deliala, Norm, Jerry; For our family and friends in the armed forces and who are first responders: Richard, Corey, Matt, Teylor, Tony, Kim, Drew, Jon, Sabastian, Noah, Eli, Jess; And for all those we name at this time.

*Silence. The people may add their own petitions.*

Hear us Lord.

**People**      **For your mercy is great.**

Intercessor    We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence. The people may add their own thanksgivings.*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

**People**      **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Intercessor We pray for all who have died, especially Bob, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence. The People may add their own petitions.*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

**People Who put their trust in you.**

*The celebrant adds a concluding collect.*

**The Confession of Sin** *Said in unison, kneeling as able.*

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

*Silence may be kept.*

**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 your Son 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.**

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

**The Peace** *All stand as able.*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People And also with you.**

**The Celebration of Special Days and Announcements**

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

**The Offertory**      *The celebrant says the offertory sentence.*

*While the offertory plates are brought to the altar, all sing:*

## The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

TEXT: Thomas Ken  
MUSIC: *Genevan Psalter*, 1551; attributed to Louis Bourgeois

OLD HUNDREDTH  
L.M.

## The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A, BCP p. 361

Celebrant      The Lord be with you.

People        **And also with you.**

Celebrant      Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant      Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People        **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*The celebrant offers our thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available to us in Christ, and in response all sing:*

### **The Sanctus**

**Hymnal, #S-128**

*The people stand or kneel as able while the celebrant gives thanks to God for the reconciling work of Christ's passion and resurrection and prays over the bread and wine. Then says:*

Celebrant      Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All              Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*The celebrant concludes with a prayer for the coming of God's reign. The people respond*  
**AMEN.**

Celebrant      And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**All              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.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then all sing:*

### **The Fraction**

**Hymnal, #S-154**

### **The Invitation**

Celebrant      The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All are welcome at God's table.*

Please come forward and kneel or stand at the altar rail to receive communion. Return to your pew by the side aisle. If you need communion brought to you, let an usher know.

<b>THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD – You can either,</b>		
	<i>Consume</i>	Hold out your hands and then consume the bread after it is placed in your hand.
	<i>Gluten-Free</i>	If you require a gluten-free wafer, please clasp your hands.
	<i>Blessing</i>	If you prefer not to receive, cross your arms for a blessing.

<b>THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE WINE – You can either,</b>		
	<i>Drink</i>	Grasp the base of the chalice and guide it to your lips to drink the wine.
	<i>Intinct</i>	Hold up the bread. The minister will take the bread, dip it for you, and hand it back to you.
	<i>Not Receive</i>	Cross your arms. The minister will hold the chalice up, but you will not drink.

Communion Hymn

Hymnal, #448

**Prayer after Communion**

*All stand or kneel as able.*

**Celebrant** Let us pray.

**All** **Eternal God, heavenly Father, 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.**

**The Blessing**

*All stand as able while the celebrant blesses the people.*

**Recessional Hymn**

**Hymnal, #76v1-3**

**The Dismissal**

**Celebrant** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People** **Thanks be to God.**

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