



## **ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

**THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD (observed)**

**THE FEAST OF  
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. (observed)**

**JANUARY 16, 2022 9:00 AM**

### ***WELCOME!***

*We are delighted that you have joined us for our worship service. It is good to be together in person or virtually. We are blessed that you are here whether you are a part of our congregation, a frequent visitor or are visiting St. John's for the first time. We are glad that you are with us today and hope you will join us again.*

*The mission of St. John's Episcopal Church is to be a community of God's people who heal brokenness, build bridges, and exemplify borderless kindness.*

*St. John's requires masks and social distancing at all indoor worship services and gatherings. Masks and vaccines are our best protection against COVID 19. Please get vaccinated and boosted to keep yourselves and others safe. Thank you for your cooperation in these efforts to keep our St. John's community safe and healthy.*

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**9:00 AM**

**BCP**

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and continue to the grounds outside the Narthex.*

## **The Collect**

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan didst proclaim him thy beloved Son and anoint 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 thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting.

**Amen.**

## **Isaiah 43:1-7**

A reading from Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you.

For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth--everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

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

## Psalm 29

*Prayed responsively by whole verse.*

- 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.

### **Acts 8:14-17**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

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

### **Luke 3:15-17, 21-22**

*Deacon:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
according to Luke

*People:* **Glory be to thee, O Lord**

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased. "

*Deacon:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

### **Collect for the Feast of Martin Luther King, Jr.**

Almighty God, who by the hand of Moses thy servant didst lead thy people out of slavery, and didst make them free at last: Grant that thy church, following the example of thy prophet Martin Luther King, may resist oppression in the name of thy love, and may strive to secure for all thy children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who livest and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

### **PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVINGS**

St. John's is interested in meeting the pastoral needs of our community. If you have prayer requests, please contact Sheri Rasmussen at [sheri@austinstjohns.org](mailto:sheri@austinstjohns.org). If you would like the Daughters of the King to include you in their prayer list, please contact Sandra Ward at [1redsand2@gmail.com](mailto:1redsand2@gmail.com).

If you find that your situation is causing financial, spiritual, or emotional difficulties, or if you are in need of food, do not hesitate to contact Mother Minerva

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Patti, Chelsea, Hannah, Linda, Paul, Estaban, Josie,  
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**DECEASED:** Laura, Helen, Debbie, Able

**BIRTHDAYS:** 1/17: Patricia Swanson;  
1/21: Ezequiel Corpus

## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS:

*St. John's requires masks and social distancing at all indoor worship services and gatherings.*

**2022 FLOWER CHART** – The flower chart for 2022 is now posted in the Narthex and you can sign up to provide service flowers on Sundays. The suggested donation is \$60 for a Sunday.

**DAUGHTERS OF THE KING SUNDAY TEA— January 23, 2:00 PM**

The Daughters of the King cordially invite all ladies from our 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, and 1:00 PM. church services, to join us for a “Sunday Tea”. Also, young girls from the age of 7 are invited and encouraged to attend. We will meet outdoors in the St. John's quad area. We will have an informative chat about the DOK Order and enjoy a couple of short presentations, all while sipping on our tea and snacking on pastries and sweets.

**SAVE THE DATE!** – St. John's Annual Parish Meeting will be held in the church on Sunday, January 30, at 12 Noon. The meeting will be hybrid, and you may use the 10:30 AM service Zoom link to participate remotely. Please plan to be there to learn about our plans for 2022!

**WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY** — Each Wednesday evening at 7:00pm, we meet via Zoom to study the Bible readings for the following Sunday. Enter meeting number 818 0719 2209 in the Zoom app or follow this link to enter the waiting room for the meeting. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81807192209>

**THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** — The Thursday Morning Bible Study is hybrid. We are studying the book “**Bible Women: All Their Words and Why They Matter.**” Join us in-person at 9:55 in the Parish Hall or virtually by entering Zoom meeting number 821 5253 7149 in the Zoom app or follow this link to enter the waiting room for the meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82152537149>

**CORNERSTONE LITERARY CIRCLE**— Many participants in the recent Sacred Ground class were interested in continuing their learning through a book study group. Cornerstone Literary Circle was developed to facilitate this book reading and discussion of other's perspectives. Cornerstone will meet weekly on Wednesdays from 5:30pm-6:30pm on Zoom and is open to anyone who is interested. Check the most recent Bridge or the Tuesday Christian Formation email for the Zoom link.



## EVENTS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

### Sunday, January 16

**The Baptism of Our Lord (Observed)**

**The Feast of Martin Luther King, Jr. (Observed)**

9:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I  
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II  
1:00 PM Santa Eucaristía Rito II

**Vestry of the Day: Sandra Ward, Paula Foy**

### Monday, January 17

7:00 PM Finance Committee Meeting

### Tuesday, January 18

1:00 PM Adult Christian Formation Planning Meeting

### Wednesday, January 19

8:00 AM Buildings and Grounds Maintenance  
11:30 AM Clergy/Wardens Meeting  
1:00 PM Clergy Meeting  
5:30 PM Cornerstone Literary Circle Meeting  
7:00 PM Wednesday Evening Bible Study

### Thursday, January 20

10:00 AM Thursday Morning Bible Study  
7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting  
7:30 PM Choir Practice

### Sunday, January 23

**The Third Sunday after the Epiphany**

9:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I  
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II  
1:00 PM Santa Eucaristía Rito II  
2:00 PM Daughters of the King Sunday Tea

*Online worship services are conducted using the Zoom online meeting system and are recorded for replay on Facebook, on our web site, and on our YouTube channel.*

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Paula Foy	Steve Kriechbaum	Maria Caballero, Clerk
Hal Hughes	Sandra Welles	Alfonso Hernandez
Rosalinda Rodriguez		Sandra Ward

## SUNDAY SERVICES

9:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I  
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II (in person and Zoom)  
1:00 PM Santa Eucaristía Rito Dos

## THE PARISH OFFICE

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