



ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Third Sunday after Epiphany

JANUARY 22, 2023 11:00 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.

Masks are optional on the St. John's campus. The CDC guidelines highly recommend that all persons who are not fully vaccinated wear masks while indoors. Thank you for your cooperation in these efforts to keep our St. John's community safe and healthy.

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST, Rite II

Prelude

HYMN 376: "JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE THEE"

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
Praising thee, their sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee,
Earth and heaven reflect thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around thee,
Center of unbroken praise,
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Blooming meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain,
Call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,
Well-spring of the joy of living,
Ocean-depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother:
All who live in love are thine;
Teach us how to love each other,
Lift us to the joy divine.

OPENING PRAYER:

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People: **And blessed be God's kingdom, now
and for ever. Amen**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

HYMN S-280: " GLORIA IN EXCELSIS"

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father;
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

Isaiah 9:1-4

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;

those who lived in a land of deep darkness--
on them light has shined.

You have multiplied the nation,
you have increased its joy;

they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.

For the yoke of their burden,
and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 27:1, 5-13

Chanted by Choir and Congregation

- 1 The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom then shall I fear? *
the LORD is the strength of my life;
of whom then shall I be afraid?**
- 5 One thing have I asked of the LORD;
one thing I seek; *
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days
of my life;**
- 6 To behold the fair beauty of the LORD *
and to seek him in his temple.**
- 7 For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his
shelter; *
he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling
and set me high upon a rock.**
- 8 Even now he lifts up my head *
above my enemies round about me.**
- 9 Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation
with sounds of great gladness; *
I will sing and make music to the LORD.**
- 10 Hearken to my voice, O LORD, when I call; *
have mercy on me and answer me.**
- 11 You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." *
Your face, LORD, will I seek.**
- 12 Hide not your face from me, *
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.**
- 13 You have been my helper;
cast me not away; *
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.**

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN 661: "THEY CAST THEIR NETS"

They cast their nets in Galilee
Just off the hills of brown;
Such happy, simple fisherfolk,
Before the Lord came down.

Contented, peaceful fishermen,
Before they ever knew
The peace of God that filled their hearts
Brimful, and broke them too.

Young John who trimmed the flapping sail,
Homeless in Patmos died,
Peter, who hauled the teeming net,
Head-down was crucified.

The peace of God, it is no peace,
But strife closed in the sod.
Yet let us pray for but one thing--
The marvelous peace of God.

Matthew 4:12-23

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

People: **Glory to you , O Lord**

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee
of the Gentiles—
the people who sat in darkness
have seen a great light,
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of
death
light has dawned.”

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord

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

**THE SERMON:
THE REVEREND MINERVA CAMARENA SKEITH**

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the Church and the world, that all of God's people may shine with the radiance of Christ, saying
"Grant us your peace"

Embolden your Church to make the power of the Cross known to the world, that people everywhere may see your great light. Mercifully hear us, Oh Lord.

Response: *Grant us your peace.*

Guide the elected leaders who convene in Congress and in state legislatures, that they faithfully serve you and may deliberate with compassion for the good of all people. Mercifully hear us, Oh Lord.

Response: ***Grant us your peace.***

Lift the burdens of poverty, war and injustice from all people, releasing them from the bonds of oppression. Mercifully hear us, Oh Lord.

Response: ***Grant us your peace.***

Strengthen us to care for our neighbors and our community so that we may offer hope in these anxious and polarized times, bring joy in our diversity, and consolation in our despair. Mercifully hear us, Oh Lord.

Response: ***Grant us your peace.***

Bring comfort and healing to those who suffer from any form of imprisonment, sorrow, illness or distress. Mercifully hear us, Oh Lord.

Response: ***Grant us your peace.***

We remember all those whom we love and we see no more, trusting that they have eternal rest. Mercifully hear us, Oh Lord.

Response: ***Grant us your peace.***

The Deacon reads the names on the prayer list and invites the congregation to offer their own petitions. Special prayers may be offered aloud or silently at this time. A brief period of silence will then be kept for the People to offer their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear our petitions: Accept and fulfill our supplications for a world that may rest in your peace and sing your praises with full hearts and voices, through the same Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit is one God, this day and forever. Amen

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The Deacon or Priest says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

The Priest stands and says

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

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM: "WILL YOU COME AND FOLLOW ME"

HYMN 380 VERSE 3: "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.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

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.**

Words of consecration...

... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

HYMN: "SANCTUS S 130 "

— Schubert

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Words of consecration...

... Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died

Christ is risen

Christ will come again

Words of consecration...

... All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

HYMN: "THE GREAT AMEN"

AMEN (*sung and repeated*)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

HYMN: "AGNUS DEI S 164 SCHUBERT"

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world:

Give us your peace, give us your peace.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.
Take them in remembrance that Christ died
for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith,
with thanksgiving.

All Baptized Christians are invited to come to receive the Holy Eucharist. You may receive the wine either by intinction, sipping, or not at all. Receiving the Eucharist in one kind is full reception. If you need a gluten free wafer, please tell the minister. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.

**DURING COMMUNION:
HYMN " LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER"**

Let us break bread together on our knees;
Let us break bread together on our knees;
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees;
Let us drink wine together on our knees;
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us praise God together on our knees;
Let us praise God together on our knees;
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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.

BLESSING

The Priest may bless the people.

DISMISSAL

Deacon: Alleluia, Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

FINAL HYMN “CHRIST FOR THE WORLD WE SING”

Christ for the world we Sing!
The world to Christ we bring
With loving zeal;
The poor, and them that mourn,
The faint and overborne,
Sinsick and sorrow-worn,
Whom Christ doth heal.

Christ for the world we Sing!
The world to Christ we bring
With fervent prayer;
The wayward and the lost,
By restless passions tossed,
Redeemed at countless cost
From dark despair.

Christ for the world we Sing!
The world to Christ we bring
With one accord;
With us the work to share,
With us reproach to dare,
With us the cross to bear,
For Christ our Lord.

Christ for the world we sing!
The world to Christ we bring
With joyful song;
The new-born souls, whose days,
Reclaimed from error's ways,
Inspired with hope and praise,
To Christ belong.

*After the service, you are invited to enjoy
coffee and fellowship in the Narthex.*

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. If you would like the Daughters of the King to include you in their prayer list, please contact Sandra Ward at 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
512-593-1778 or revminerva@austinstjohns.org
or Deacon Victoria
512-297-5953 or deaconvic@austinstjohns.org

HEALING AND GUIDANCE: Donna and her family, Maya's family, Charlotte and Frank, Leticia, Jam, Gary and his family, the Sanders family, the Parker-Roesch baby and family, Carolyn, Mary, Ann, Luna, Jonathan, Patty, Sandra, China and David, Josie, Ramona, CJ

DECEASED: Sally, Bobby Jo, Maya, Gayle, Arthur Ray

BIRTHDAYS:

1/26: Steve Kriechbaum, Tomas Montalvan Rodriguez;

1/27: Kevin Flegal, Ruth Hall

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PARISH ANNUAL MEETING—JANUARY 29— St. John’s Annual Parish Meeting will be held in the church on Sunday, January 29, at 11:30 AM. The meeting will be hybrid, and you may use the 10:30 AM service Zoom link to participate remotely. Please plan to plan to be there to learn about our accomplishments in 2022 and our plans for 2023!

WE WILL HAVE A MODIFIED SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR THE DAY:

9:30 AM	Holy Eucharist– Rite I with Music
11:00 AM– 11:30 AM	Coffee and Fellowship in the Narthex
11:30 AM– 12:45 PM	Parish Annual Meeting in the Church
1:00 PM	Santa Eucaristía Rito II

2023 FLOWER CHART – The flower chart for 2023 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.

SUNDAY MORNING CHRISTIAN EDUCATION —Sunday Morning Bible Study will resume this Sunday, January 15. The class starts at 9:45 am in the Church Sanctuary (Nave). Mother Minerva will lead lectionary Bible Study.

CORNERSTONE LITERARY CIRCLE— Cornerstone Literary Circle meets weekly on Wednesdays from 5:30pm-6:30pm on Zoom and is open to anyone who is interested. The Zoom link for the class can be found in the Wednesday Christian Formation email.

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY — Each Wednesday evening at 7:00pm, we meet via Zoom to study the Bible readings for the following Sunday. The Zoom link for the class can be found in the Wednesday Christian Formation email.

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY — The Thursday Morning Bible Study is hybrid—in-person and via Zoom. We are studying the book “*Bible Women: All Their Words and Why They Matter.*” You are welcome to join us at 10:00 AM in the Narthex or virtually by Zoom. The Zoom link for the class can be found in the Tuesday Christian Formation email

EVENTS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

Sunday, January 22, 2023

Third Sunday after Epiphany

8:30 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite I
9:45 AM	Adult Christian Formation– Church (Nave)
11:00 AM	Farmshare Austin farmers' market
11:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite II
1:00 PM	Santa Eucaristía Rito II

Vestry of the Day: Carlos Lugo and Steve Kriechbaum

Monday, January 23

5:30 PM	Action Team Meeting– Via Zoom
6:00 PM	Gracy Meadows HOA

Tuesday, January 24

6:30 PM	Yoga in the Narthex
7:00 PM	Vestry Meeting– Zoom Only

Wednesday, January 25

8:00 AM	Buildings and Grounds Maintenance
1:00 PM	Annual Meeting Rehearsal– in the Church
5:30 PM	Cornerstone Literary Circle– Zoom
5:30 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting– Narthex
7:00 PM	Wednesday Evening Bible Study– Zoom

Thursday, January 26

10:00 AM	Thursday Morning Study– Narthex and Zoom
12:00 PM	Overeaters Anonymous– Narthex
7:30 PM	Choir Practice– Nave

Saturday, January 28

2:00 PM	All Rhythms– Narthex
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Sunday, January 29

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

9:30 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite I with Music
11:00 AM	Farmshare Austin farmers' market
11:00 AM– 11:30 AM	Coffee and Fellowship in the Narthex
11:30 AM– 12:45 PM	Annual Parish Meeting
1:00 PM	Santa Eucaristía Rito II

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VESTRY

Mr. Steve Kriechbaum, *Senior Warden*
Mr. Kevin Flegal, *Junior Warden*
Ms. Maria Caballero, *Clerk*

<i>Class of 2023</i>	<i>Class of 2024</i>	<i>Class of 2025</i>
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Sandra Welles		

SUNDAY SERVICES

8:30 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite I
9:45 AM	Adult Christian Formation– Church (Nave)
11:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite II (in person and Zoom)
1:00 PM	Santa Eucaristía Rito Dos

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To the Church Narthex. Hours: Tuesdays- Fridays
from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM



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