



The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

4 February 2024 · 9:00 a.m.

The Chapel of the Good Shepherd

ST. JOHN'S LAFAYETTE

Morning Prayer

Hymn Come, thou fount of every blessing

Nettleton

The Opening Sentences

The officiant begins with one or more of the following

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

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

-Philippians 1:2

The officiant then says

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins to God.

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.

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.**

Lord, open our lips.

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

Venite

Psalm 95:1-7

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: **Come let us adore him.**

Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before God's presence with thanksgiving and raise to the Lord a shout with psalms.

For you are a great God; you are great above all gods.

In your hand are the caverns of the earth, and the heights of the hills are yours also.

The sea is yours, for you made it, and your hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down and bend the knee, and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For you are our God, and we are the people of your pasture and the sheep of your hand. *

Oh, that today we would hearken to your voice!

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Psalm 147:1-12, 20c

1. Hallelujah!
How good it is to sing praises to our God!
how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!
2. The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem;
he gathers the exiles of Israel.
3. He heals the brokenhearted
and binds up their wounds.
4. He counts the number of the stars
and calls them all by their names.
5. Great is our Lord and mighty in power;
there is no limit to his wisdom.
6. The Lord lifts up the lowly,
but casts the wicked to the ground.
7. Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving;
make music to our God upon the harp.
8. He covers the heavens with clouds
and prepares rain for the earth;
9. He makes grass to grow upon the mountains
and green plants to serve mankind.
10. He provides food for flocks and herds
and for the young ravens when they cry.
11. He is not impressed by the might of a horse;
he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;
12. But the Lord has pleasure in those who fear him,
in those who await his gracious favor.
Hallelujah!

The First Reading

Isaiah 40:21-31

Reader A reading from Isaiah.

Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle *O Divine Healer*

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The Second Reading

1 Corinthians 9:16-23

Reader A reading from First Corinthians.

If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel. For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

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The Gospel

Mark 1:29-39

Reader A reading from the Gospel according to Mark.

Jesus left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them. That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

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The Sermon

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
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,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.
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. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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 Prayers of the People

The officiant introduces the prayers saying
Let us pray for the Church and the world.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

We pray for Justin the Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Jennifer our Bishop; for the Church of England; for our companion diocese of Brasilia, and their bishop, Mauricio; for the Diocese of Haiti, and St. Andre's, Mithon; and for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for the victims of violence, racism, and other forms of aggression and intimidation. We pray for peace in all places of conflict and in our own cities. We remember Joe our President, Eric our Governor, and Tony and John our mayors; and we pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

We give thanks for the members of Good Shepherd and St. John's and all who find community here. Grant us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

We remember all those in any need or distress, those commended to our prayers, and those we name now either silently or aloud....

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

We pray for those serving their country and protecting our communities. Give them courage in harm's way and hope for the days ahead.

That they may find strength and faith.

We give thanks for the many blessings of this life including those blessings we name now either silently or aloud.... Give us thankful hearts and minds;

And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

We remember those who have died including those we name now either silently or aloud.... Give to the departed eternal rest, O Lord.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

The officiant concludes the prayers

God of all power and love, we give thanks for your unfailing presence and the hope you provide in times of uncertainty and loss. Send your Holy Spirit to enkindle in us your holy fire. Revive us to live as Christ's body in the world: a people who pray, worship, learn, break bread, share life, heal neighbors, bear good news, seek justice, rest and grow in the Spirit. Wherever and however we gather, unite us in common prayer and send us in common mission, that we and the whole creation might be restored and renewed, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Collect for Guidance

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect 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.**

Announcements from Good Shepherd & St. John's

Thanksgiving for Birthdays, Anniversaries, and other Milestones

Please use the chat feature to announce birthdays, anniversaries, or other milestones to be celebrated.

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

The Blessing

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The officiant concludes with one of the following

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.** *-2 Corinthians 13:14*

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** *-Romans 15:13*

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.** *-Ephesians 3:20,21*

Hymn Songs of thankfulness and praise

Salzburg



Parish Announcements

Forward Day by Day

The new forward Day by Day booklets for the months of February, March and April are available at the back of the church and at the parish office.

Support the Episcopal Campus Ministry at Purdue—Volunteer for Sunday meals!

The Purdue Campus Ministry is inviting St. John's folks to help prepare dinner for our students on Sunday nights. The church can pay for the ingredients (save your receipts!). Hilary Cooke, the Episcopal Campus Minister at Purdue, can help navigate recipes to address dietary concerns. For more information, contact Hilary at hilary@goodshep.org or sign up at www.signupgenius.com/go/20F094AABAA22A5F49-47019083-esaspring#.

Sacred Ground—Begins February 7

Sacred Ground is an 11-week video and reading series designed for people that are looking to deepen their commitment to the Beloved Community. Sessions are held online, and both the series and materials are provided at no charge. Sacred Ground is open to all. Participants are invited to peel away the layers that have contributed to the challenges and divisions confronting us today. Register at <http://tinyurl.com/2vrvt4us>.

Mardi Gras Pancake Supper

Sunday, February 11, from 5-7 p.m.

We will celebrate our Mardi Gras Pancake Supper with a live jazz band, a float parade, and loads and loads of PANCAKES! Tickets are \$5 apiece and \$13 for families of 3 or more. Kids under 5 eat free. For more information, contact the St. John's office at 765.742.4079.

Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, February 14 at Noon, 5:30 p.m., and 7 p.m.

Ash Wednesday is Wednesday, February 14. We will have three services this year:

- 12 (noon) – Joint service with downtown churches at First Christian (Corner of 6th and North)
- 5:30 p.m. service for children and youth focusing on the traditions and meaning of Ash Wednesday
- 7 p.m. Traditional liturgy with the St. John's choir

Each service will include the imposition of ashes and Holy Eucharist. Let us come together and begin a Holy Lent.

Wednesday Evening Book Group at Good Shepherd—February 14, at 7:00 p.m.

The book group's next book is *The Rise and Fall of Adam and Eve: The Story That Created Us*, by Stephen Greenblatt. Several copies are available at Good Shepherd. The group will discuss the first half of the book Wednesday, February 14, at 7:00 p.m. The group will discuss the second half on Wednesday, March 13. If you have questions, please contact Mark Thomas at mark@goodshep.org.

New Fire: An Ecological Reading of the Easter Vigil

Beginning February 18 after the 10:15 a.m. service

Theologically and sacramentally, baptism and Eucharist go hand in hand, and no other special liturgical celebration combines the two like the Great Vigil of Easter. This spectacular liturgy is replete with deeply meaningful symbolism that engages all of one's senses. It also provides something unexpected: a unique opportunity to reflect on humanity's connection to and place in the created universe.

Beginning February 18, our class "New Fire" will explore the intersections of theology, liturgy, and ecology in the Easter Vigil during the weeks leading up to the service. The hope is that our conversation will help us experience the Vigil in a new and powerful way. We will bring our own experiences to this discussion, and we will also employ the lenses of feminism and queer eco-spirituality as we seek to dive deeper into the meaning of this crucial Episcopal liturgy. **The class will meet in the church itself at St. John's from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on February 18, February 25, March 3, and March 10.** We will be engaging with all the liturgical elements of the Vigil, so there will be smells and there will be bells as well as bread, water, and wine. **Please note—on February 18, incense will be used during the class.** For more information, contact Jason Fortner at jason@stjohns-laf.org.

Prayer List

Parish Prayer List— John & Elizabeth Barrett, Paul Lawson, Alyce Dressler, Pam Ogorzaly, Paul Roberts, Carol Helgerman, Ginny Hull, John Howland, Sue Eichhorn, Pequita Behrndt, Don Nead, Barbara Hess, Rosemarie Goonewardene, Janet Huber, Carolyn Speer, Kathie Basden, Ben & Judy, Jerry, Sandra, Carole, Lynn, and their families.

For the people of Israel, Palestine, and Ukraine; for hostages and all innocent civilians in harm's way; for peace in all places of conflict; for the victims of violence; and for repair, understanding, and healing across the world, in our nation, and within our communities.

For those who have died—For all who have died, including those buried in the St. John's Memorial Garden

The leaders of our Communion—Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, the Presiding Bishop; & Jennifer our Bishop

St. John's Leadership, Staff, Clergy, & Seminarian—The Vestry, Wardens, and Volunteer staff; Amanda, Eva, Michael, & Teresa; Jason, Bradley, & Carolin

Our Ministry Partners—The Diocese of Brasilia and their bishop Mauricio and the Diocese of Haiti and St. Andre's, Mithon; The Anglican Church of South America, and St. Paul's, Columbus.

This nation and all in authority—Joe, our President; Eric, our Governor; and Tony and Erin, our mayors



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