



## Morning Prayer, Rite II

ST. JAMES'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

January 17, 2021 | Online Service  
Second Sunday after the Epiphany

### Greeting and Announcements

**Hymn 48:** *Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*, “O day of radiant gladness”

O day of radiant gladness, O day of joy and light,  
O balm of care and sadness, most beautiful, most bright;  
this day the high and lowly, through ages joined in tune,  
sing, "Holy, holy, holy," to the great God Triune.

This day at the creation, the light first had its birth;  
this day for our salvation Christ rose from depths of earth;  
this day our Lord victorious the Spirit sent from heaven,  
and thus this day most glorious a triple light was given.

This day, God's people meeting, his Holy Scripture hear;  
his living presence greeting, through Bread and Wine made near.  
We journey on, believing, renewed with heavenly might,  
from grace more grace receiving on this blest day of light.

That light our hope sustaining, we walk the pilgrim way  
at length our rest attaining, our endless Sabbath day.  
We sing to thee our praises, O Father, Spirit, Son;  
the Church her voice upraises to thee, blest Three in One.

### Opening Sentences

*Book of Common Prayer*, page 78

### Confession of Sin

*Officiant*

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to set forth his praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Officiant and People together, all kneeling*

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 alone 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 Invitatory and Psalter

*Officiant* Lord, open our lips.

*People* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise

*Officiant and People*

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

### Venite S35

Come, let us sing to the Lord;  
    let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.  
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving  
    and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.  
For the Lord is a great God,  
    and a great King above all gods.  
In his hand are the caverns of the earth,  
    and the heights of the hills are his also.  
The sea is his, for he made it,  
    and his hands have molded the dry land.  
Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee,  
    and kneel before the Lord our Maker.  
For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture  
and the sheep of his hand.  
    Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

### Psalm 139: 1-5, 12-17 *Domaine, probasti*

LORD, you have searched me out and known me;  
    you know my sitting down and my rising up;  
    you discern my thoughts from afar.

You trace my journeys and my resting-places  
    and are acquainted with all my ways.

Indeed, there is not a word on my lips,  
    but you, O LORD, know it altogether.

You press upon me behind and before  
    and lay your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;  
    it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

For you yourself created my inmost parts;  
    you knit me together in my mother's womb.

I will thank you because I am marvelously made;  
    your works are wonderful, and I know it well.

My body was not hidden from you,  
    while I was being made in secret  
    and woven in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;  
    all of them were written in your book;  
    they were fashioned day by day,  
    when as yet there was none of them.

How deep I find your thoughts, O God!  
how great is the sum of them!

If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand;  
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now,  
and will be forever. Amen.

### The Lessons

#### **First Lesson:** 1 Samuel 3:1-10

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. Then the LORD called, “Samuel! Samuel!” and he said, “Here I am!” and ran to Eli, and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call; lie down again.” So he went and lay down. The LORD called again, “Samuel!” Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” But he said, “I did not call, my son; lie down again.” Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, “Here I am, for you called me.” Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, “Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, ‘Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.’” So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, “Samuel! Samuel!” And Samuel said, “Speak, for your servant is listening.”

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

#### **Anthem:** Lux arumque

Eric Whitacre

Lux	Light
calida gravisque pura velut aurum	warm and heavy as pure gold
et canunt angeli	and the angels sing softly
moliter natum, modo natum.	to the new-born baby.

#### **Second Lesson:** John 1:43-51

Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Follow me.” Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.” Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, “Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!” Nathanael asked him, “Where did you get to know me?” Jesus answered, “I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.” Nathanael replied, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!” Jesus answered, “Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.” And he said to him, “Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.”

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

**Sermon:** Lay Chaplain Blake Singer

**Apostles' Creed**

*BCP 96*

*Officiant and People together, all standing as able.*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
    creator of heaven and earth;  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;  
    He was conceived by 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.  
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 Prayers**

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*BCP 97*

*People* And also with you.

*Officiant* Let us pray.

*Officiant and People together*

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.

**Suffrages A**

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
R. And grant us your salvation.  
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
R. Let the people sing with joy.  
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
R. For only in you can we live in safety.  
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.  
V. Let your way be known upon earth;  
R. Your saving health among all nations.  
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.  
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
R. And sustain in us with your Holy Spirit.

**Collect of the Day**

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## **Other Collects**

### **Prayers for the Parish**

#### **Prayer for Mission**

*BCP 101*

*Officiant*

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace; So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those that do not know you to the knowledge and love of you, for the honor of your name. *Amen.*

#### **Anthem: Oculus non vidit**

Rihards Dubbra

Oculus non vidit,  
nec auris audivit,  
nec in cor hominis  
ascendit,  
quae preparavit Deus iis,  
qui diligunt illum.

Eye hath not seen,  
nor ear heard,  
neither have entered into the  
heart of man,  
The things which God hath  
prepared  
for them that love Him.

#### **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.*

#### **Versicle and Response**

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

#### **Closing Sentences**

##### **Hymn 527: Ton-y-Botel, "Singing songs of expectation"**

Singing songs of expectation, onward goes the pilgrim band,  
Through the night of doubt and sorrow, marching to the promised land.  
Clear before us through the darkness gleams and burns the guiding light:  
Trusting God we march together stepping fearless through the night.

One the light of God's own presence, o'er his ransomed people shed,  
Chasing far the gloom and terror, brightening all the path we tread:  
One the object of our journey, one the faith which never tires,  
One the earnest looking forward, one the hope our God inspires.

One the strain the lips of thousands lift as from the heart of one;  
One the conflict, one the peril, one the march in God begun:  
One the gladness of rejoicing on the far eternal shore,  
Where the one almighty Father reigns in love for evermore.

*The flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of*

*Dr. Harry Hudnall Ware, Jr., Mary Warren Williams Ware, The Reverend Marshall Taylor Ware  
and The Reverend Robert Arthur Burch*

## **Service Participants**

*Preacher:* Lay Chaplain Blake Singer

*Officiant:* The Reverend Hilary Streever

*Musicians* The Parish Choir

*Organist:* Virginia Ewing Whitmire

*Director of Music:* Dr. Mark A. Whitmire

## **Prayers of the People**

Please lift up to God those who have asked for our prayers:

*For the sick and in need:* especially Andy Anderson, the family of Eleanor Angle, Elizabeth Austin, Susan Bain, Susan Bloor, Priscilla Cabell, Keri Copley, Betty Crasten, Matt Curtis, Liz Drake, Cameron Flippen, Beverly Gunther, Mary Harrison, Tom Horton, Palmer Johnson, Eleanor Lynch, Emma Mason, Eve McCray, Sallie Modlin, Harry Moore, Robbie Morris, Darlene Ogden, Jess Pillmore, Theodore Logan Pollard, Steve Reed, Katherine Reynolds, Pierce Rucker, Tommy Runyon, George Silver, Geoff Sisk, Elizabeth Stallings, Anne Sweets, Andrew Troi, Gordon Wallace, David Wilkinson, Henry Willett, Bodie Williamson, Barbara Willis, Amy, and Paul

*For healthcare workers, first responders and all frontline workers:* especially Chris Abplanalp, Jennifer Ascoli, Eric Bland, Laura Bland, Tracy Carrasquillo, Gussie Carter, Paul Crook, Robert Crutcher, Lauren Dickinson, Brian Hoffmann, Rachel Klavan, Rebecca Krey, Worth Lewis, Anne Byrd Mahoney, Jimmy Milley, Sally Prillaman, Alex Skidmore, Kaylyn Tucker, Banks Turner, William Welch, Peter Wilbanks, Margaret Williams, and Judith Zerkle

*For those serving in our Armed Forces:* especially William Smith

*For the newly born:* especially Jack Taylor Coogan, son of Hank and Sarah Coogan and grandson of Susan Coogan, who was born recently

*For all celebrating their birthdays this week:* especially Mary Waller Fergusson, Mac McKay, Blake Nichols, Peter Powell, T Rigby, Tyler Semmelman, and Amanda Williamson who celebrate their birthdays today

*For those who have died recently:* especially Connie Weldon Edwards

## **Music Notes**



*“O sing unto God with the voice of melody.” -Psalm 47:1*

*Lux Arumque* is by the contemporary American composer Eric Whitacre (b. 1970). The text is unusual in that it began as a poem in English by Edward Esch. Whitacre had the poem translated into Latin by the celebrated American poet Charles Anthony Silvestri. Whitacre studied composition at the Juilliard School. He has since become one of the most popular composers of choral music. He also writes for film and has received a Grammy nomination.

*Oculus non vidit* is a setting of I Corinthians 2:9 by the contemporary Latvian composer Rihards Dubra (b.1964). Dubra is gaining world-wide attention for his symphonic and vocal music, including several masses and cantatas.

In case you missed previous **Music at St. James's**, here are links:

9/20 Liz Nance– A Celtic Blessing (M. Whitmire)

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIr4o8ddtUFgkFHcKIguFKQ>

- 9/27 Knox Hubard– What good am I? (Dylan)  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1DFF7VFCtg>
- 10/4 Berkeley Crane, Winston Crane - O praise the Lord who made all beauty (Hopson)  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z93KIAKV3RA>
- 10/11 Heather Jones– I will sing new songs of gladness (Dvorak)  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iLw5hBePEIA>
- 10/18 Nathan Bick - Then shall the righteous shine (Mendelssohn)  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R7WUd5clKAg>
- 10/25 Diane Wright, Sam Zimmer, Knox Hubard, Scott Milstead - Come to Jesus  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mjrwwuluzRY>
- 11/1 Elisabeth Eckstein, Julianne Eckstein - I sing a song of the saints of God  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WSZea3DcE\\_E](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WSZea3DcE_E)
- 11/15 Lisa Edward Burrs, Anthony Dowd, Matt Hall, Aaron Binder - He's got the whole world  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4o-t1Lc1kC0>
- Molly Sharp, Roberts Wadsworth - Be thou my vision (arr. M. Whitmire)  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-87qrIBykLo>
- 11/22 Massie Valentine, Hank Artz, Scott Milstead, Molly Sharp – O love that will not let me go  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Z-jST1ek3M>
- 11/29 Chamber Choir – E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come (Manz)  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VcLDfky6IUM&feature=youtu.be>

### **Virtual Choir Links**

- Sicut cervus (Palestrina)  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SBE828xCRwE&fbclid=IwAR0E1jn2KOj99I1q6sEhxU3qbbkOQ0XEql4ggUBAuHU3h3Tfv-Tbcae6pY>
- Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake (Farrant)  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yqELCw0uXsU&feature=youtu.be&fbclid=IwAR0E1jn2KOj99I1q6sEhxU3qbbkOQ0XEql4ggUBAuHU3h3Tfv-Tbcae6pY>
- If ye love me (Tallis)  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fDGaKW-A2zg&feature=youtu.be>
- Ubi caritas (Gjelo)  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P0FrP0CrEmc&feature=youtu.be>
- In the bleak midwinter (Holst)  
<https://youtu.be/uxjvp9FdDsw>