SAINT MARK'S
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL
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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

with RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY:
THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

January 12, 2025

8:00 AM

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT & WELCOME

Saint Mark's Cathedral acknowledges that we gather on the traditional land of the first people of Seattle, the Duwamish People, who are still here, and we honor with gratitude the land itself and the life of all the Coast Salish tribes.

NEW TO SAINT MARK'S?

Welcome to Saint Mark's Cathedral. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here! We invite you to complete a newcomer form, visit saintmarks.org/newcomers or connect with one of the clergy.

QUESTIONS?

Please ask one of the liturgical ministers. Restrooms are available in the narthex; all-gender restrooms are available in the northwest stairwell of the nave and on the 5th floor of Cathedral House, accessible by the elevator or southwest stairwell.

ABOUT THE LITURGY

Worship lies at the heart of the Christian life. It is in worship that we express our theology and define our identity. We encounter God within worship and are formed and transformed as the people of God. One of the hallmarks of the Episcopal Church is its liturgical worship. Liturgy literally is "the work of the people," and refers to the patterns, forms, words, and actions through which public worship is conducted.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

PRELUDE *Christ, unser Herr, zum Jordan kam* (Tune of Hymn 139 "When Jesus went to Jordan's stream"), BuxWV 180 — Dietrich Buxtehude

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

All stand, as able.

HYMN 616 *Hail to the Lord's anointed* (verses 1, 4) ◆ *The Hymnal 1982* — *Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The Book of Common Prayer (1979), p. 355

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Bishop 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.
All **Amen.**

GLORIA

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.

COLLECT OF THE DAY *The Baptism of our Lord* *The Book of Common Prayer* (1979), p. 214

Bishop The Lord be with you.
Assembly **And also with you.**
Bishop Let us pray.

FATHER IN HEAVEN, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed 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 you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.

All **Amen.**

Please be seated for the readings.

READING *Isaiah 43:1-7*

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 Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Assembly **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM *Psalm 29* *The Book of Common Prayer* (1979), p. 784

Please join the lector in reading the Psalm aloud, starting after the first asterisk.

Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, *
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; *
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders; *
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; *
the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; *
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, *
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

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.

The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe *
and strips the forests bare.

And in the temple of the Lord *
all are crying, "Glory!"

The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; *
the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.

The Lord shall give strength to his people; *
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace. ◆

READING *Acts 8:14-17*

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 Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Assembly **Thanks be to God.**

All stand, as able.

THE HOLY GOSPEL *Luke 3:15-17, 21-22*

Bishop The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
Assembly **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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."

Bishop The Gospel of the Lord.
Assembly **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

HOMILY The Right Reverend Philip N. LaBelle

All stand, as able.

RENEWAL OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT *The Book of Common Prayer* (1979), p. 292

The Bishop invites us to renew our Baptismal Covenant.

Bishop Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?
Assembly **I do.**

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?
Assembly **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Bishop Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
Assembly **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.

Bishop Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
Assembly **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.

Bishop Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
Assembly **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
Assembly **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
Assembly **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
Assembly **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
Assembly **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you cherish the wondrous works of God, and protect the beauty and integrity of all creation?
Assembly **I will, with God's help.**

BAPTISMAL SPRINKLING

The Assembly is sprinkled with Baptismal water as a sign and reminder of our own Baptism.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

After each petition:

Intercessor God, in your mercy,
Assembly **Hear our prayer.**

The Bishop concludes the prayers with a collect. All respond: **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.
Assembly **And also with you.**

All greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

OFFERTORY

An offering of money is received. Today's special offering will go to the Bishop's Discretionary Fund—please use the envelopes provided. The Bishop's discretionary fund us used to assist clergy, congregations, individuals, and other ministries, in our diocese and beyond, in times of crisis or extraordinary need. Further information may be found on the donation envelope itself. Please make all checks payable to **Saint Mark's Cathedral.**

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All stand, as able.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Prayer B* *The Book of Common Prayer* (1979), p. 367

Bishop The Lord be with you.
Assembly **And also with you.**

Bishop Lift up your hearts.
Assembly **We lift them to the Lord.**

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
Assembly **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Bishop It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Bishop We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After Supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All **We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

Bishop And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Mary, Mark, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.

All **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All **Our Father in heaven,**
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Bishop Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.
Assembly **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Bishop The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All may be seated for the time of Communion. All seeking God are welcome at Christ's Table.

If you need communion brought to your seat, please let any of the liturgical ministers know.
Rice wafers for those who do not eat wheat are available; simply ask for one at the time of communion.

- *You are welcome to stand or kneel to receive communion.*
- *Hold out your hand to receive the bread and then eat. Guide the chalice of wine to your mouth and then drink.*
- *Intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) is not available at this time.*
- *To receive a blessing instead of the bread or wine, simply cross your arms over your chest.*

After communion, all stand, as able.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER *The Book of Common Prayer* (1979), p. 365

Bishop Eternal God, heavenly Father,
All **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.

EPISCOPAL BLESSING

Bishop Our help is in the Name of the Lord.
Assembly **The maker of heaven and earth.**

Bishop Blessed be the name of the Lord.
Assembly **From this time forth for ever more.**

The Bishop asks God's blessing on the Assembly. All respond: **Amen.**

HYMN 121 *Christ, when for us you were baptized* (verses 1, 2, 4) ◆ *The Hymnal 1982* *Caithness*

DISMISSAL *The Presider dismisses the the Assembly. All respond:* **Amen.**

VOLUNTARY *Trumpet Voluntary* Thomas Sanders Dupuis

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

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