

ST. ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Holy Eucharist \bullet The Seventh Sunday After The Epiphany February 23, 2025

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WELCOME TO ST. ANNE'S!

Whatever your religious background, wherever you are in your faith journey, and however you have come to be here, we are glad you have joined us for worship today. We hope you will experience God's presence among this community, people, place, and prayers.

Children's worship bags are available from an usher to use during the service. Please utilize our "Welcome" and "Prayer Request" cards located in the pews, as a way to connect beyond your visit today. Return your completed card to an usher, clergy person, or place it in the offering plate.



THE MINISTERS OF ST. ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH ARE THE PEOPLE OF THIS PARISH supported by

The Very Rev. Jessica T. Holthus, Rector

The Rev. Dr. Nancy D. Searby, Deacon

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The Rev. Dr. Anne Fredericks Cooper, Assisting Priest

Sheri Schaffer, Parish Administrator

Robert Hamilton, Director of Music

The Rev. Winston W. Welty, Assisting Priest

Angie Gray, Office Administrator

Celebrations & Thanksgivings • February 23 - March 1

Birthdays

Heather Lawson, Tai Young, Glen Corso, Benjamin Kertz, Kerry Carrico, Grace Hoebel, Eve Angerosa

Anniversaries

Art & Margaret Light

Flowers are given to the glory of God.

We at St. Anne's acknowledge we are on the traditional lands of the Manahoac and Piscataway people. We honor with gratitude the land itself and the continued existence of Native peoples today and into the future.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE

THE WELCOME & INTRODUCTION TO INSTRUCTED EUCHARIST

THE ENTRANCE RITE



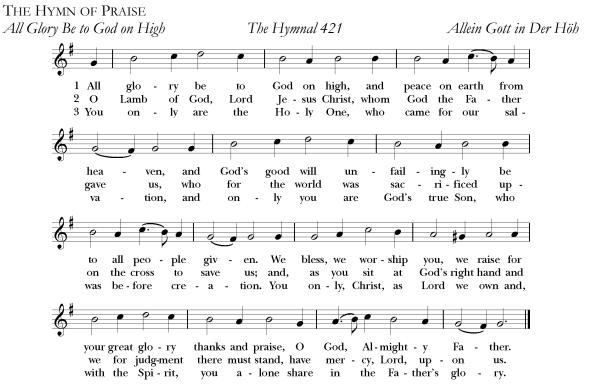


THE COMMUNITY GATHERS WITH GOD

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Arise, shine, for God's light has come.

God's glory of the Lord has dawned upon us.



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

O Lord, you have taught us that without love whatever we do is worth nothing: Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts your greatest gift, which is love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue, without which whoever lives is accounted dead before you. Grant this for the sake of your only Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

THE WORD OF GOD

The people are seated for the readings and the psalm.

THE STORIES OF SCRIPTURE PROCLAIMED

THE FIRST READING

GENESIS 45:3-11, 15

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there--since there are five more years of famine to come--so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty." And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The psalm is read responsively by whole verse.

- 1 Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; * do not be jealous of those who do wrong.
- 2 For they shall soon wither like the grass, * and like the green grass fade away.
- 3 Put your trust in the Lord and do good; * dwell in the land and feed on its riches.
- 4 Take delight in the Lord, * and he shall give you your heart's desire.
- 5 Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in him, * and he will bring it to pass.
- 6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the light * and your just dealing as the noonday.
- 7 Be still before the Lord * and wait patiently for him.
- 8 Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, * the one who succeeds in evil schemes.
- 9 Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; * do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.
- 10 For evildoers shall be cut off, *

but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the land.

- 11 In a little while the wicked shall be no more; * you shall search out their place, but they will not be there.
- 12 But the lowly shall possess the land; * they will delight in abundance of peace.
- 41 But the deliverance of the righteous comes from the Lord; * he is their stronghold in time of trouble.
- 42 The Lord will help them and rescue them; *
 he will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them,
 because they seek refuge in him.

Someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



THE GOSPEL LUKE 6:27-38

The people stand and turn to face the Gospel.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

"Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

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

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

THE NICENE CREED

The people stand as they are able.

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.

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. who 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

PLANNING FOR RITES AND RITUALS

The Reader and People pray responsively

To God who is merciful and kind to all, let us pray for all those in need.

For the church of Jesus Christ throughout the world.

Lord, have mercy.

For those alienated from the church, and for our witness to Christ in every community.

Lord, have mercy.

For those in charge of peoples and nations, and for their exercise of mercy and justice.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who suffer from oppressive rulers and regimes, and for the victims of abuse and violence.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who are sick and troubled. We pray especially for Bruce & Jean, Gerald, Sue, Rich, Eleanor, Katherine, Claudia, Nora, Peggy, Robin, Carolyn, Rachel, Rita, Bill, Beryl, Emily, Chuck, Jim, and Tanya. We also pray for the dying and the dead.

Lord, have mercy.

For ourselves, our families, and all those we love.

Lord, have mercy.

Remembering the Blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Anne, and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

To you, O gracious God.

THE CONCLUDING COLLECT

God the lover of every person, hear the prayers we offer you this day and grant that we may bless those who curse and do good to those who do evil; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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 the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**.

WELCOMING THE CHILDREN

The Sunday school children and teachers process in and share what they learned.

THE PEACE

The Celebrant says to the people

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

All are invited to share a sign of peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nourished By The Sacrament

THE OFFERTORY

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God.

We invite you to give generously to support the mission and ministry of St. Anne's. You can scan the QR code, text-to-give at 703-997-4436, or go to our website at stannes-reston.org.



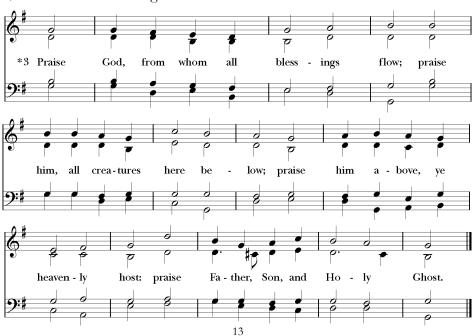
I want Jesus to walk with me; I want Jesus to walk with me; All along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trials, Lord, walk with me; In my trials, Lord, walk with me; When my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me; When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me; When my head is bowed in sorrow, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

THE PRESENTATION Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

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At this celebration of the Lord's Supper, bread and wine are blessed and broken and shared in remembrance of Christ Jesus our Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP PRAYER 2

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

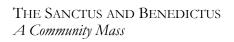
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

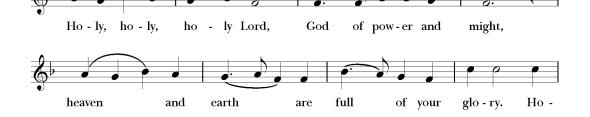
We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing.

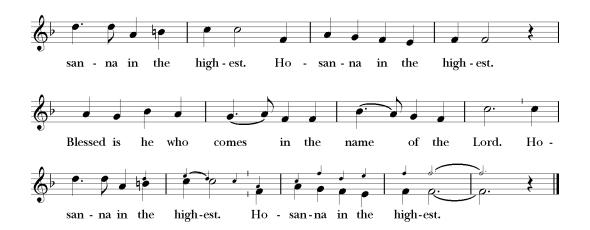
You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:



The Hymnal S125

Richard Proulx





Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.

Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

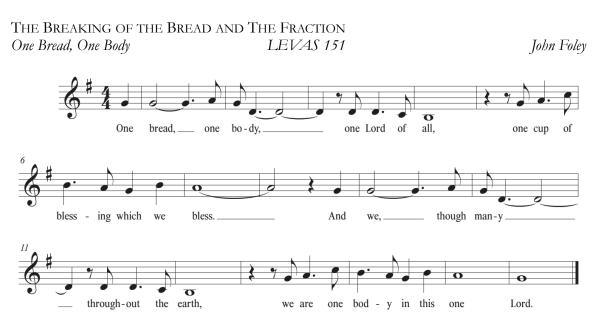
In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN**.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, each in the language of our hearts, we are bold to pray,

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is 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 INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

This is the Body of Christ given for you, for you are the body of Christ given for the world. Come to God's table, be fed by God's hand, and find your place in God's holy family.

To receive communion, please process down the side aisle. Hold your palm out flat with two hands if you wish to receive bread dipped in wine by the clergy and one palm out if you wish bread only. A gluten-free station is located on the font side of the altar. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.



In the morning when I rise, In the morning when I rise, In the morning when I rise, Give me Jesus.

Refrain: Give me Jesus, Give me Jesus. You may have all the rest, Give me Jesus.

Dark midnight was my cry, Dark midnight was my cry, Dark midnight was my cry, Give me Jesus. (Refrain)

Just about the break of day, Just about the break of day, Just about the break of day, Give me Jesus. (Refrain)

Oh, when I come to die, Oh, when I come to die, Oh, when I come to die, Give me Jesus. (Refrain)

And when I want to sing, And when I want to sing, And when I want to sing, Give me Jesus. (Refrain)

Katherine Schram, soprano

SENT INTO THE WORLD

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have nourished us with the gift of Spiritual Communion and united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE BLESSING

May God bless us with anger at injustice, oppression, and exploitation of people, so that we may continue to work for justice, freedom and peace. **Amen**

May God bless us with tears to shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, starvation and war, so that we may reach out our hand to comfort them and to turn their pain into joy. **Amen**

May God bless us with enough foolishness to believe that we can make a difference in this world, so that we can do what others claim cannot be done. **Amen**

And the Blessing of God Almighty: the One who creates, Redeems and Sanctifies, be upon you and all you love, this day, and forever more. **Amen**.



THE DISMISSAL

Our worship has ended, our service begins. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Preludium in e minor

Nicolaus Bruhns

Acolytes • Andy Cissel, Nate Cissel, Anya Cooper
Altar Guild • Robin Drake, Tom Smith
Chalice Bearers • Bill Burton, Lee Hobrla, Rich Geissler
Digital Verger • Shon Cooper
Flower Guild • Martha Furniss, Marion Billings, Mary Weinhold
Lay Readers • Peggy Hobler, Tom Smith
Ushers • Brian Wynne, Ray Walser

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SEASONAL EVENTS

Sunday, February 23

Instructed Eucharist - 8:00 & 10:00 a.m. services
Bee Ministry Presentation - after 8 & 10:00 a.m. services - Library
Martin Luther King, Jr. session 3 - 4:00 p.m., Library

Last Date to Sign Up For Lenten Dinner Groups



Tuesday, February 25

Federal Worker Crisis Support Group - 7:00 p.m. - Library

Sunday, March 2

Assisting Bishop Shand Visit 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. - Baptisms & Confirmations

Tuesday, March 4

Pancake Supper - 6:00 p.m. - Great Hall

Ash Wednesday, March 5

12:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. services

Sunday, March 9

Lent Begins

Tuesdays in Lent, starting March 11

Compline - 8:00 p.m. - via Zoom

Sunday, March 16

Life Planning Workshop - 12:00 p.m. - 1:15 p.m. - Library

Sunday, March 30

Vestry Conversation with Congregation - 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Library Topic - Endowment Fund

Sunday, April 6

Praying African American Spirituals - 4:00 p.m., Library "My Lord, What A Morning"

