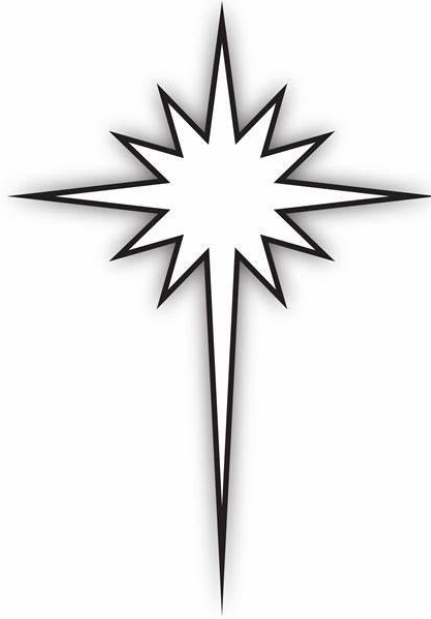


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January 17, 2021

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

9:45 am Live Morning Prayer

2100 Rock Spring Road
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Morning Prayer: Rite Two

A Gathering Prayer

BCP 76

(The Officiant says one or more of these sentences of Scripture)

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

Officiant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. BCP 79
(Silence may be kept. All kneeling.)

**ALL: 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.**

Officiant: 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

BCP 80

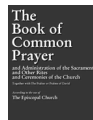
(All stand)

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

People: **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

ALL: 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.

Officiant: The Lord has shown forth his glory: Come let us adore him.



Venite: *Psalm 95:1-7*

BCP 82

Our King and Savior now draws near: 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 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!

The Lord has shown forth his glory: Come let us adore him.

The Psalm: *Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17*

BCP 794

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

15 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.

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

17 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 for ever. Amen.

The Lessons

A reading from the prophet 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."

Officiant: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 11 The Third Song of Isaiah: *Isaiah 60:1-3, 11a, 14c, 18-19* BCP 87

Arise, shine, for your light has come,*
And the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.
For behold, darkness covers the land;*
Deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.
But over you the Lord will rise,*
And his glory will appear upon you.
Nations will stream to your light,*
And kings to the brightness of your dawning.
Your gates will always be open;*
By day or night they will never be shut.
They will call you, The City of the Lord,*
The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.
Violence will no more be heard in your land,*
Ruin of destruction within your borders.
You will call your walls, Salvation,*
And all your portals, Praise.
The sun will no more be your light by day;*
By night you will not need the brightness of the moon.

A Reading from 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."

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People: **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn

Sermon

The Apostles' Creed

BCP 96

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 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.
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

BCP 97

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

**ALL: 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 your 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 us with your Holy Spirit.

The Collects

BCP 98

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.**

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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.**

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.**

Hymn

Announcements

Prayers of the People

BCP 387

Leader: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

ALL: That we all may be one.

Leader: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

ALL: That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Leader: We pray for Michael Curry our Presiding Bishop; Eugene Sutton our Bishop;

Kirk Kubicek our Priest-in-charge, for those in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer; *St. Martin's in-the-Field - Severna Park, St. Philip's - Annapolis, St. Stephen's - Severn Parish*. We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

ALL: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Leader: We pray for *Donald Trump our President, Larry Hogan our Governor, Barry Glassman our County Executive*. We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

ALL: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Leader: Bless those who are celebrating their birthdays this week, especially *Terry Hall, Sophia Borkowski-Johnson, Stephen Chase, Jacob Lane, Bill Morris, Tony Davis*, and those celebrating anniversaries this week, *Mary Jane & Leonard Parrish*. Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

ALL: That our works may find favor in your sight.

Leader: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially those named on the prayer list, the residents of the Harford Family House, and these others whom we now name before You, Lord God, either silently or aloud, *especially Richard & Lois Tidey*. Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

ALL: That they may be delivered from their distress.

Leader: We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially *Charlotte Parrish* and all others whom we remember before you Lord God, either silently or aloud. Give to the departed eternal rest;

ALL: Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

ALL: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Leader: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

(Silence. People may add their own petitions.)

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

A Prayer for those affected by the Covid-19 Coronavirus

The General Thanksgiving

BCP 101

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.

We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;

but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,

by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

Prayer of St. Chrysostom

BCP 102

Officiant: 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.**

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Hymn

Officiant: 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*

OR

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*

The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God



In Loving Memory of the Birthdays of Larry & John Senes.

By Debbie Senes

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May God Bless You

this day and throughout the week ahead!

HYMN LYRICS

Come into the Quiet

Come into the quiet
Be One with God's breath
Rest in this Waiting place
Peace will be there
Rest, Rest, Peace will be there

What Star is This

H124

What star is this, with beams so bright,
More beautiful than the noonday light?
It shines to herald forth the King,
And Gentiles to his crib to bring.

True spake the prophet from afar
Who told the rise of Jacob's star;
And eastern sages with amaze
Upon the wondrous token gaze.

The guiding star above is bright;
Within them shines a clearer light,
And leads them on with power benign
To seek the Giver of the sign.

O Jesus, while the star of grace
Impels us on to seek thy face,
Let not our slothful hearts refuse
The guidance of thy light to use.

To God the Father, heavenly Light,
To Christ, revealed in earthly night,
To God the Holy Ghost we raise
Our equal and unceasing praise.

My Heart is Filled with Love

Men of anger, men of war
My heart is filled with love
Tell me what you are fighting for
My heart is filled with love
This death I see won't make me numb
My heart is filled with love
Sons and daughters every one
My heart is filled with love

Raise your voices, spread the news...
Buddhist, Christian, Moslem, Jew...
They all teach the golden rule...
Do unto others as you'd have them do...

I will not fear these foreign tongues...
There is a place for everyone...
I cannot make my will their own...
But fear can turn a heart to stone...

I do not know my neighbor's name...
I love that stranger just the same...
Hope is rising from this place...
Divine wisdom, amazing grace...

Men of anger, men of war...
Tell me what you are fighting for
My heart is filled with love
My heart is filled with love
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Please PRAY for those who are sick, in any kind of need or difficulty, especially:

For the residents of Harford Family House; For peace and understanding in Baltimore;
For all the victims of recent terror attacks throughout the world; For the refugees leaving Syria and Central America in desperation; For those who suffer because of the extreme humanitarian crises; For all the people in the Middle East, that they can experience peace and stability in their lands; For the victims of natural disasters; For the communities that have experienced Mass Shootings & Riots.

For those on our prayer list: For Sue Tressler, Lynn Klein, Kevin & Linda, Anna Humphreys, Phil Klein, Betty Parker, Beverly Gomez, Tara Schatzel, Dan Moss, Charles Getscher, Ken Edmunds Jr, Robin, Keith Hamilton, Sharon Selke, Sharon Slaughenou, Warren Flatt, Lois Flatt, Caroline, Donald Heddy, Karen Fulcomer, Art Smith, Eliot, Rebecca, Louise, Carole, Becky, Ingrid Page, Lael, Jacqueline, Roland, Hollis, Mike Yates, Sue Sampson, Hazel Borkowski.

For our Missionary: Jean M. Baumbach

For these parishioners who are unable to be with us every Sunday:

George Rigdon; Vera Dalby; Glassell & Betty Parker; Anna Humphreys; Beth Hauser; Lyndon