



# The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Sunday, January 19, 2025 at 9:00 and 11:15 a.m.

Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church & Richmond, Virginia

Welcome to St. Stephen's Episcopal Church. We are glad you are here. We welcome and include all people without exception and we extend a special greeting to any visitors. Throughout this bulletin, helpful guidance is printed in italics. Visitor guides are found in racks at the entrance doors. When you wish to be known here, please fill out a welcome card (found in each pew or online); you may drop the card into the offering plate as it is passed. Children are very welcome in this service, and child care is also available for infants and children through age four in our nursery on the lower level near the main parking lot entrance; greeters are happy to guide you. The church is open for prayer from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Thursday. We hope to see you again soon!

Voluntary Adoration

Florence Price

## The Word of God

Hymn 135 Songs of thankfulness and praise

Salzburg

*Sung by all, standing as you are able. All hymns are found in The Hymnal 1982, the blue book in your pew rack.*

### Opening Acclamation

The Book of Common Prayer, page 355

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

### The Collect for Purity

*Said by all.*

Prayer Book, page 355

**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. Amen.**

### Gloria

*Sung by all, standing as able.*

The Hymnal S-277, David Hurd



1. Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



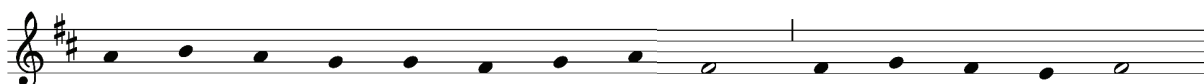
2. Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa - ther, we — wor-ship you,



we give — you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb — of God,



4. you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

7. You a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

**The Collect of the Day**

Prayer Book, page 215

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray. *A period of silence is kept.*

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.**

**The Collect for the Feast of Martin Luther King, Jr.**

Almighty God, by the hand of Moses your servant you led your people out of slavery, and made them free at last: Grant that your church, following the example of your prophet Martin Luther King, may resist oppression in the name of your love, and may strive to secure for all your children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**The Lesson** Isaiah 43:1-7 *Please sit.*

*Reader* A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.** *A period of silence is kept.*

**Psalm 36:5-10**

Prayer Book, page 632

*Sung by the choir on behalf of the congregation.*

chant: David Hurd

5 Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens, \*  
and your faithfulness to the clouds.

6 Your righteousness is like the strong mountains,  
your justice like the great deep; \*  
you save both man and beast, O LORD.

7 How priceless is your love, O God! \*  
your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

8 They feast upon the abundance of your house; \*  
you give them drink from the river of your delights.

9 For with you is the well of life, \*  
and in your light we see light.

10 Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you, \*  
and your favor to those who are true of heart.

*Silence is kept.*

**Hymn 538** God of mercy, God of grace

*Sung by all, standing.*

*Lucerna Laudoniae*

**The Gospel** John 2:1-11 *Please remain standing and face the reader of the Gospel.*

**Deacon** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

**People** **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

**Deacon** The Gospel of the Lord.

**People** **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon** The Rev. William L. Sachs

**The Nicene Creed** *Said by all, standing.*

Prayer Book, page 358

**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.  
With the Father and the Son  
he is worshiped and glorified.  
He 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, Form III**

Prayer Book, page 387

**Celebrant** Let us pray for the church and the world.

*You may stand or kneel. The Leader and the People pray responsively.*

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

**People** **That we all may be one.**

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

**People** **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Leader We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
People **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Leader We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world. We pray especially for our country and President-elect Donald Trump on the eve of his inauguration;  
People **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Leader Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
People **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Leader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; remembering especially those affected by fire in Southern California and those who suffer in the Holy Land, Eastern Europe, and all places of conflict,  
People **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Leader We pray for those who have died [especially \_\_\_\_\_]. Give to the departed eternal rest.  
People **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Leader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
People **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Leader [We pray/give thanks for \_\_\_\_\_.] Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*The People may add their own petitions.*

Celebrant O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence is kept.* Prayer Book, page 360

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.**

Celebrant 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 Peace** *Please stand.*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

*The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord. After exchanging the Peace, please be seated.*

**Welcome and Announcements**

## The Holy Communion

*All comes from God, so from what God has given, we offer gifts as we participate in God's work in the world. You may offer your gift in an offering plate as they come by or make a gift online by scanning the QR code or texting STSTEPHENSVA to 73256.*



At the Offertory

Hymn 792 Holy God, you raise up prophets [9:00]

Sung by all, seated.

Martin's Song



1. Ho - ly God, you raise up proph - ets; praise and hon - or do we sing,  
 2. Mo - ral con - science of his na - tion, re - con - cil - ing black and white,  
 3. Teach - er of Christ - like non - vio - lence to the out - cast, poor and meek;  
 4. Preach - er of Christ's love for neigh - bor, he won No - bel's prize for peace;



for your faith - ful, hum - ble ser - vant, Doc - tor Mar - tin Luth - er King.  
 dreamed he of a just so - cie - ty, we must car - ry on his fight.  
 great - er weap - on 'gainst op - pres - sion is to turn the o - ther cheek.  
 peo - ples, beat your swords to ploughshares, wars 'twixt na - tion all shall cease.

Refrain



Bless - ed Mar - tin, pas - tor, proph - et, you the moun - tain - top did see;



Bless - ed Mar - tin, ho - ly mar - tyr: pray that we may all be free.

Ubi caritas [11:15]

Sung by the choir.

David Hurd

*Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor. Simul ergo cum in unum congregamur: Ne nos mente dividamur caveamus. Cessent iurgia maligna, cessent lites. Et in medio nostri sit Christus Deus. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: dona nobis pacem.*

(Where charity and love are, God is there. Christ's love has gathered us into one. Therefore, as we are gathered into one, let us beware lest we be divided in mind. Let malicious quarrels end, let strife cease. And in our midst be Christ our God. Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.)

For he himself is our peace who has made the two one and has destroyed the barrier that divides all hostility. He is our peace.

At the Presentation

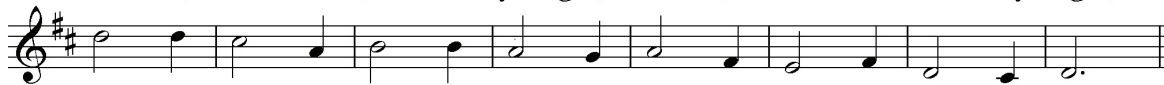
Sung by all, standing.

Puer nobis

The fruits of our labor are presented to God, along with gifts for our food ministry.



To God, Cre - a - tor, heav'n - ly Light, to Christ, re - vealed in earth - ly night, to



God the Spi - rit we now raise our song of thank - ful - ness and praise.

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer C

Prayer Book, page 369

The people remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**  
*Celebrant* God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.  
*People* **Glory to you for ever and ever.**  
*Celebrant* At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.  
*People* **By your will they were created and have their being.**  
*Celebrant* From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.  
*People* **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**  
*Celebrant* Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.  
*People* **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**  
*Celebrant* And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

**Sanctus**

*Sung by all.*

James MacMillan

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and  
 might, heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san-na in the high-  
 est. Blessed is he, O bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the  
 Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

*You may stand or kneel.*

*Celebrant*  
 And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
 On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."  
 Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,  
*People*  
**We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

**Celebrant**

O God of patriarchs, matriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

**People**

**Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

**Celebrant**

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

**Celebrant** And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**Celebrant and People**

Prayer Book, page 364

**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 Breaking of the Bread**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.  
A period of silence is kept.*

James MacMillan

4  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

**Celebrant**

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

**At the Communion of the People**

*All are welcome at the altar in this place. Communion is distributed at the chancel steps [9:00] or the high altar [11:15], and in either of the side chapels (kneeling or standing). The altar also extends to your pew if you need us to bring the sacrament to you; just let an usher know. To receive Communion, place your hands together, palms up. You may consume the bread and then drink from the wine in the larger chalice. If you prefer to "intinct" or touch the edge of your bread to the wine, please use one of the smaller cups, available at all stations. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you prefer to receive a blessing, cross your arms against your chest.*

## Music at Communion

**Anthem** All that I am *Sung by the choir.* William Grant Still  
All that I am, all I ever can be You are the source of love:  
I owe to you, Lord, for you have molded me. Love that binds in unity.  
All that I have, all that I call mine In your love and mercy I find lasting peace.  
I owe to you, Lord, for all things are thine. All that I love, all that's dear to me,  
You are the source of light: All of my blessings come, my Lord, from thee.  
Light that's offered all. All that I own, all that belongs to me,  
In your wisdom you give to each his due. All I surrender, my Lord, to thee.

**Hymn 126** The people who in darkness walked *Sung by all, seated.* Dundee

## Sending Forth Eucharistic Visitors

*When a Lay Eucharistic Visitor is scheduled to visit a parishioner, the following is said.*

**Deacon** *N.*, we send you out to share Communion with *N.*

**People** **Carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of Christ's presence.**

**Deacon** We who are many are one body because we share one bread and one cup. **Amen.**

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray. *You may stand or kneel.*

**All** **Lord Jesus Christ,**  
**you have put your life into our hands;**  
**now we put our lives into yours.**  
**Take us, renew us and remake us.**  
**What we have been is past;**  
**what we shall be, through you, still awaits us.**  
**Lead us on. Take us with you. Amen.**

**The Blessing** *The Celebrant pronounces God's blessing.*

**Hymn 599** Lift every voice and sing *Sung by all, standing.* *Lift Every Voice*

**Dismissal** Prayer Book, page 366

**Deacon** Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

**People** **Thanks be to God.**

**Voluntary** Improvisation on *We Shall Overcome* Carl Haywood



## Memorials

The flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of David L. Davis, Sr. by his family, and Lucy Stockdell by Dede Stockdell Welch.

## Participants

9 A.M. | **CELEBRANT:** The Rev. William S. Stanley; **DEACON:** The Rev. John D. Rohrs; **SUBDEACON:** Allison Koschak; **READER:** Rosie Ferrell; **PREACHER:** The Rev. William L. Sachs; **INTERCESSOR:** Bill Davis; **EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER:** Barbara Massey; **CHALICE BEARERS:** Al Albiston, Beth Crews, Chip Jamerson, Deborah Waters; **ACOLYTES:** Lee Driscoll, Bella Lambert, Mia Lambert, Henry Mulholland, Wiley Mulholland, Pierce Rempe; **LAY EUCCHARISTIC VISITOR:** Marty Easton; **MUSICIANS:** Members of St. Stephen's Choir, Chris Edwards, *director*; Diana Chou, *organ*; **VERGER:** Andy Luke

11:15 A.M. | **CELEBRANT:** The Rev. Cate Anthony; **DEACON:** The Rev. William S. Stanley; **SUBDEACON:** Bob Dibble; **LAY READER/ INTERCESSOR:** Daniel Mullery; **PREACHER:** The Rev. William L. Sachs; **ASSISTING PRIEST:** The Rev. John D. Rohrs; **CHALICE BEARERS:** Tony Anthony, Clarice Dibble, Bill Gray, Braxton Hill; **ACOLYTES:** Parker Birdsey, Ellie Burke, Wilson Lucas, Abigail Moore; **MUSICIANS:** St. Stephen's Choir, Chris Edwards, *director*; Diana Chou, *organ*; **VERGER:** Dave Davis

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