



# The Baptism of our Lord

Sunday, January 11, 2026 at 8:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist: Rite One

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church ☩ Richmond, Virginia

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*Welcome to St. Stephen's Church. We are so glad you are here. This service of Holy Eucharist follows the order found in the Book of Common Prayer (the red book in the pew rack) beginning on page 323. This bulletin provides page numbers and other information to guide you through the service.*

## The Word of God

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# The Holy Communion

## At the Presentation of Alms

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*All things come of thee, O Lord.  
And of Thine own have we given thee.*

**The Great Thanksgiving** *Please stand.*

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*Please kneel after the Sanctus.*

**The Lord's Prayer**

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**The Breaking of the Bread**

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**The Prayer of Humble Access**

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## **The Distribution of Holy Communion**

*All are welcome at the altar in this place. Communion is distributed at the Communion rail in the Chapel of the Holy Spirit, and you may stand or kneel to receive. 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 the smaller cup. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you prefer to receive a blessing, cross your arms against your chest. If you need us to bring the sacrament to you, please let the usher know.*

**The Post-Communion Prayer**

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**The Blessing and Dismissal**

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## The Collect and Readings

## *The Baptism of our Lord*

### The Collect of the Day

The Book of Common Prayer, page 163

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan didst proclaim him thy beloved Son and anoint 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 thee and the same Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

**The Lesson**      Isaiah 42:1-9                      *Please sit.*

*Reader*              A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching. Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the LORD, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

*Reader*              The Word of the Lord.

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

**Psalm 29**                      *Said responsively by whole verse, seated.*

Prayer Book, page 620

1 Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, \*  
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

**2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; \*  
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.**

3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;  
the God of glory thunders; \*  
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.

**4 The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; \*  
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.**

5 The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; \*  
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

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

7 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.

**8 The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe \*  
and strips the forests bare.**

9 And in the temple of the LORD \*  
all are crying, "Glory!"

**10 The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; \*  
the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.**

11 The LORD shall give strength to his people; \*  
the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.  
*Silence is kept.*

**The Gospel** Matthew 3:13-17 *Please stand and face the reader of the Gospel.*

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

**People** **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

**Celebrant** The Gospel of the Lord.

**People** **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

## Participants

CELEBRANT AND PREACHER: The Rev. John D. Rohrs; READER AND CHALICE BEARER: Anne Pinion

## The Parish Prayer List

Leilani Allwine, Patricia Atkins-Smith, Sue Atkinson, Robert Baker, Elizabeth Bannerman, Lash Barksdale, Nancy Beale, Linda Bennett, Ken Blaisdell, Christine Boeteger, Emma Bolduc, Genie Borum, Julia Bouck, Gene Bowles, Sturges Brian, *Kathy Brock*, Leslie Brockman, Alex H. Brown, Pat Brown, Sarah Jo Bryce, Turner Bruneau, Matt Boyd, Patti Bullen, Tammy Carleton, Scott Carnohan, Paula Chambers, Michael Click, Nancy Cole, Sarah Cole, Susan Collier, Mary Cooke, Prior Cooper, Kathy Conrad, John Corey, Tracy Councill, Don Cowles, Michelle Crim, the Rt. Rev. Michael Curry, Debbie Cuseo, Chris Davis, Patricia Delany, Ham DeRosa, Terry Dickinson, Davis Dunn Dillard, Debbie Ferguson, Guy Frank, April Greenwood, Janis Hall, Rodger Hardy, Katie Hellebush, Dan Hill, Anna Hurdle, Alan Jamesieson, John Turner Jenkins, Lena Jones, Justin Jones-Nickerson, Jane Kelly, Dana King, Linda Lewis, Genie Lucyk, Joy Luke, Margaret Lyle, Pam Lynch, Ross Mackenzie, Barbara Mathison, Adrienne Maxwell, Michael McCabe, Schnucki McCabe, Morgan McCall, Stratton and Robin McCrady, Gertrude McLean, Nancy Meath, Jack Miller, Mary Miller, B. Millner, Susan Minyard, Sallie Moncol, Carolyn Mae Morgan, *Lee W. Mumford*, Ashley Nickerson, Mary Beth Noel, Sallie Nolte, Jan Orgain, Tricia Payne, Beth Pearce, Ernest Perry, Courtney Phillips, Scott Pittman, Wilde Poole and family, Lyn Presson, Alma Price, *John Purcell*, Brick Quinn, Luke Robertson, Ramona Ransone, Jason R., Ray, Jennifer Reed, Aleta Richards, Ryan Rohadfox, Kaley Rosenthal, Robert Sass, James Saunders and Harriet Covey, Melissa Schick, T. Logan Scott, Todd Shelton, Bette Shiflett, Maj. David Shuford, Jr., Chrys Sills, Aiden Thomas Smith, Josh Spain, Regena Stith, *Beth Thomas*, Margaret Thompson, Kenneth Valke, Timothy W., Ozzie Wade, Suzanne Wallace, Tom White, Terri Wilcox, Donna Williams, Steve Williams, Martha Wilson, Claire Wood, Emily H. Wood, Rosalyn Wootten, Sue Wootton, Young, Margaret P. Young. **For the blessings of this life**, especially for the baptisms of *William Samuel Ashbridge, Leroy Edward Anthony Duncan, Frederick Carlisle Jones, Marshall Winslow Roberts, and Robin Parker Toobers*. **For those who have died**, especially *Robert Patrick Geary, Leslie J. Power, and C. Stephen Thomas*. **For those expecting a child**, especially Maddie and Matthew Clites, Ian Hayes and Corinne Torres, Preston and Cate Kendig, and Michelle and Dane Olsson. **For our missionaries**, Heidi Schmidt and Monica Vega, and the people they serve in Argentina. **In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer**, we pray for the *Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America*. **For ReWork Richmond**. **For an end to gun violence**. **For peace and reconciliation** in Haiti, Iraq, Iran, Israel/Palestine, Nigeria, North Korea, South Sudan, Syria, and Ukraine, and at our borders. **For those serving overseas in the military or diplomatic service**: CPT Anna Broadbent-Evelyn, Lt. Jonathan Dean Hudson, and Lt. Alex Whitmire.

*Names in italics were added to the prayer list this week.*

*In order to keep our prayer list current and facilitate the intentionality and mindfulness with which we pray, we print names on the list for three months or less. If you would like for someone to remain on the list for more (or less) time, please call the office or email Kitty Ball at [kball@ststephensRVA.org](mailto:kball@ststephensRVA.org).*

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