

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY JAN. 22, 2022



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ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Third Sunday After the Epiphany

Rector: The Rev. Catherine D. Hicks

The Rev. Tom Hughes, Rector Emeritus

(BCP—Book of Common Prayer, H-Hymnal 1982; S Numbers are the service music found in the front of The Hymnal 1982; WLP-Wonder, Love and Praise)

LEVAS-Lift Every Voice and Sing II)

In the name of Christ, we welcome you to this Church. May those who sorrow find comfort; the weary, rest; the unhappy, joy; the troubled, peace; the stranger, friends; and to all the sense of God's Presence in this holy place. We acknowledge that we gather on the traditional land of the first people of Port Royal, the Nandtaughtacund, and we honor with gratitude the land itself and the life of the Rappahannock Tribe.

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude

Opening Hymn

Singing songs of expectation

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

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.

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.

Song of Praise

How wondrous and great

H 533

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A reading from The Prophet Isaiah, Chapter 9, verses 1-4.

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the

land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;

those who lived in a land of deep darkness--
on them light has shined.

You have multiplied the nation,
you have increased its joy;

they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.

For the yoke of their burden,
and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 27: Chapter 1, verse 5-13, *Dominus illuminatio*

1 The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom then shall I fear? *
the LORD is the strength of my life;
of whom then shall I be afraid?

**5 One thing have I asked of the LORD;
one thing I seek; *
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of
my life;**

6 To behold the fair beauty of the LORD *
and to seek him in his temple.

**7 For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter;
he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling
and set me high upon a rock.**

8 Even now he lifts up my head *
above my enemies round about me.

**9 Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation
with sounds of great gladness; *
I will sing and make music to the LORD.**

10 Hearken to my voice, O LORD, when I call; *
have mercy on me and answer me.

**11 You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." *
Your face, LORD, will I seek.**

12 Hide not your face from me, *
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.

**13 You have been my helper;
cast me not away; *
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in
the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**A Reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians , Chapter 1,
verses 10 -18.**

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.
Glory to you Lord Christ.

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of
the Gentiles—
the people who sat in darkness
have seen a great light,
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death
light has dawned.”

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

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

Sermon

The Rev. Tom Hughes

Affirmation of Faith (from Daily Prayer for All Seasons)

As children of God, we affirm:

**That God, who is Love, created all and called it good,
that God is present with all of creation,
and that in darkness and in light, God is faithful.
Therefore we, too, seek to be faithful.**

**That Jesus came to show us Love with a human face,
that he taught justice and reconciliation and suffered on our behalf,
and that through his faithful example, he embodies hope.
Therefore, we too seek to be people of justice, reconciliation, and
hope.**

**That the Holy Spirit guides and accompanies us,
that this same Spirit offers wisdom and discernment,
and that, when we are open, the Spirit can always find a way.
Therefore we seek to be people filled with God's Spirit:
Discerning, loving, and transforming our world. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

To God who welcomes all in love, let us pray for the good of the church
and the concerns of those in need.

Stir up your church to make the power of the cross known to all, that
people everywhere may see your great light. May we be united in the
same mind and the same purpose. **Lord, have mercy.**

Lift from all people the burdens of poverty, war and injustice. Break
every rod of oppression throughout the earth. We pray for an end to
the war in Ukraine. We pray for the desire for and commitment to
peace among the nations, and for all of those who, until the reign of
God comes on this earth, serve in the armed forces of this land,
especially those on our prayer list. We pray that they may return home
safe in mind, body, and spirit when their work is done. **Lord, have
mercy.**

Guide our government and all who make our laws, and those who
maintain our safety, that all people may know their worth as your
creation. We pray for the people of Haiti, who do not have a functional
government and are suffering. **Lord, have mercy.**

Give us the grace to marvel at the wonders of your universe, that we may all in our varied ways give praise to you who made and love us and care for this earth as your own creation. **Lord, have mercy.**

Strengthen us to care for the poor, the imprisoned, and all who suffer. We pray for those on our prayer list, especially Nathaniel Schakenberg, waiting for a kidney donor; for Ann Pyle, Carolyn Duke's mother; for Lydia O'Neil, Toni Faibisy, and Susan Linne von Berg, and all on our prayer list. Open our hands and hearts to embrace all who are in need of any kind. **Lord, have mercy.**

Give us grace to provide space for our young people, and to reassure them in their insecurities, encourage them in their hopes, and ever strengthen them in their gifts. **Lord, have mercy.**

We remember before you Sandra Smith, and John Thomas Carter, step father of Barbara Wisdom, and all whom we love but see no longer. Give them eternal rest and let light perpetual shine upon them. **Lord, have mercy.**

God of every land and nation, you have created all people and you dwell among us in Jesus Christ. Listen to the cries of those who pray to you, and grant that, as we proclaim the greatness of your name, all people will know the power of love at work in the world. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

BCP 360

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Announcements

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

BCP 830 #51/431

Offertory

The Holy Communion

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 our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful,
to give you thanks, all-holy God, source
of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels
and with the faithful of every generation,
we lift our voices with all creation as we sing

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

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Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory.

Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, 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."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine.

By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

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	BCP 364
The Breaking of the Bread	BCP 364
The Communion of the People of God	

Communion Hymn	My God, thy table now is spread	H 321
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Post-Communion Prayer	BCP 365
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The Blessing

Lord, be before us to guide us,
be behind to push us, be beneath to carry us,
be above to bless us,
be around us to protect us,
be in us so that in body and soul
we serve you for the glory of your Name.

Closing Hymn

Jesus calls us, o'er the tumult

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Dismissal

Resources:

Prayers of the People: Revised Common Lectionary Prayers and Intercessions for the Christian People , Gail Ramshaw, ed.

Announcements

Welcome to St Peter's. May you find God's love present with you in this place and return here often to worship. The communion bread is gluten free. All are welcome at the Lord's table.

The offering plates are in the back next to the doors. Your gifts help support God's work through this church. Mail - PO Box 399, Port Royal, VA 22535. online - <https://news.churchsp.org/onlinegiving>
Meeting ID: 869 9926 3545 Passcode: 889278

Happy Birthday – Tyler Collins 01/26

If you would like to send a card to Bill Smith, his address is 7105 Bagpipe Lane, King George, VA 22485.

-Jan 22, Worship, On Youtube at 11AM (10:45am)

<https://youtube.com/live/jEeTzAVN0wM?feature=share>

-Jan 23 Monday Morning meditation 6:30am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87980716417?pwd=UHLxNE1JYlQ1TGh6N25oYTBxRURwQT09> Meeting ID: 879 8071 6417 Passcode: 790929

-Bible Study Wed, Jan 25, 10am-12pm. Parish House.

Next Sunday: St Peter's youth will be helping to lead the 11AM worship. Come support them!

St Peter's is serving as a Partner in Education with the Caroline County Public Schools. We will be providing snacks for the Caroline County Bingo Night, Tuesday, February 7th, 6-7:30PM at the Port Royal Fire Department. If you would like to help, please bring granola bars, individually wrapped bags of trail mix, or small bottles of water and place them in the back pew.

On the Church Calendar: Conversion of St. Paul – Jan 25 "According to Luke, (Acts 9:1ff), Saul, armed with arrest warrants for those of the Christian Way, left Jerusalem for Damascus. As he drew near that city, a bright light suddenly engulfed him. A voice inquired: "Saul, Saul, why do you continue to persecute me?" Saul responded: "Who are you, Lord?" The voice was identified as Jesus of Nazareth! Saul, who was blinded, was instructed to enter Damascus where he would be informed as to what he "must do." Saul was led into the city. Ananias, a messenger selected by God, restored Saul's sight and told him what to do next. Paul became an apostle of Jesus.

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The Vestry

Becky Fisher, Andrea Pogue (2023), Cookie Davis, Robert Bryan (2024)

Elizabeth Heimbach, Helmut Linne von Berg (2025)

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Prayer List

Cookie and Johnny Davis, Susan and Helmut Linne von Berg, Brad Volland, Rob Dobson, Laura Carey, Lydia O' Neil, John Hess, Charles McGuire, Tommy Segar, John and Toni Faibisy, Linneth Feliciano, Thom Guthrie, Vivian McDonald, Mike and Marilyn Newman, Bill Wick, Barbara and Boyd Wisdom

Nathaniel Schakenberg, Ruby Barnes (Laura Carey's sister), **Claire Cole Curcio** (friend of Catherine Hicks), **Otis Felts** (friend of Johnny Davis), **The Glasgows** (friends of the Felicianos), **Randall Clingenpeel, Mrs. Watson** (Linneth Feliciano's mother), **Ann Pyle** (Carolyn Duke's mother), **J.T. Moriarty** (Hicks' friend), **Harvey Yarus** (friend of Tom Kramer), **Patty Reno** (cousin of Tom Kramer), **Joanne Wilkerson and Jimmy Davis, Julie Davis** (sister, brother and daughter of Johnny Davis), **Lois Christie, Rosie Dowdy, Bill Lauck, Jonathan Coleman** (Cleo Coleman's son), **Anthony Bowman, Dylan Puryear** (BJ's grandson), **Ruth Smith, Joyce Smith** (Laura Carey's sisters-in-law), **Orville Watson** (Linneth Feliciano's brother), **Gloria Jewell, Kathryn, David and Bobby Hill** (Lydia O'Neil's family), **Lorena McElwain**, (friend of the Pogues), **Odessa Davis, Kelly Paterino, G. Lee Baldwin, Linda Oliver, Pat Crenshaw** (Brad Volland's cousin), **Joan Pemberton** (Brad Volland's aunt), **Albert Barnett** (Andrea's uncle), **Scott Crabtree** (Eunice Key's brother), **Louise Chapman** (Barbara Segar's cousin), **Mary Lawrence Hicks, Rodney C. Johnson** (Hicks' friend), **Charlene Schakenberg**, (Becky Fisher's mother)

Passed into eternal life: Sandra Smith, John Thomas Carter (Barbara Wisdom's stepfather)

Serving in the Armed Forces

PJ Koons

Scott Estes

Cliff Lance

Steven Lee

Greg Merkl

Grace Grimaldi

Alexis Rye

Michael Hobbs

Alex Long V