



St. George's
Episcopal Church

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

LITURGY OF THE WORD, RITE II

JANUARY 24, 2021
10:30 AM

The Rev. Ann McLemore, *Interim Rector*

Ms. Mi-Young Kim, *Music Director*

The mission of St. George's Episcopal Church is to worship God and share our faith through word, action, and service.

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE WITH US. In this difficult and uncertain time, our commitment to one another as the Body of Christ is more important than ever. We are blessed to be able to join together in prayer, even as we are unable to be together in person as we would wish. Our online services are all available from the [Online Worship](#) page of our website.

THE WORD "EPIPHANY" comes from the Greek word epiphaneia, which means, "appearing" or "revealing." The season of Epiphany focuses on God's self-revelation in Christ. Christian tradition pays special attention to the gradual revelation of Christ's nature as shown in three events: the visit of the Magi, the baptism of Jesus, and the wedding at Cana where he performed his first miracle, changing water into wine. With each of these events, the circle of those who see and recognize Jesus for who he is – God with us – grows larger. And with this revelation, the promise of Christmas begins to be fulfilled, as the light of Christ enters the world: "Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you" (Isaiah 60:1). God is always making God's-self known to us.

GUIDE TO ABBREVIATIONS

H – 1982 Hymnal

G – Gather Hymnal

BCP – Book of Common Prayer

Because Austin has moved into Stage 5 of the CDC's COVID-19 risk-based guidelines, in which all gatherings of any size are discouraged, today's worship service will be led from the homes of the worship leaders, rather than from the church.

PRELUDE

Op.10 No.1, C Major
Joseph Matthias Schäfer

MI-YOUNG KIM

WELCOME

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING HYMN

How Wondrous and Great Thy Works

H 533

1 How won - drous and great thy works, God of praise!
2 To na - tions of earth thy light shall be shown;

How just, King of saints, and true are thy ways!
their wor - ship and vows shall come to thy throne:

O who shall not fear thee, and hon - or thy Name?
thy truth and thy judg - ments shall spread all a - broad,

Thou on - ly art ho - ly, thou on - ly su - preme.
till earth's ev - ery peo - ple con - fess thee their God.

Words: Henry Ustick Onderdonk (1759-1858), alt.; para. *The Song of the Redeemed*.
Music: Lyons, att. Johann Michael Haydn (1737-1806).

Officiant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.**
Amen.

Officiant 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.

People **Amen.**

SONG OF PRAISE

H 421

1 All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace on earth from
2 O Lamb of God, Lord Je - sus Christ, whom God the Fa - ther
3 You on - ly are the Ho - ly One, who came for our sal -
hea - ven, and God's good will un - fail - ing - ly be
gave us, who for the world was sac - ri - ficed up -
va - tion, and on - ly you are God's true Son, who
to all peo - ple giv - en. We bless, we wor - ship you, we raise for
on the cross to save us; and, as you sit at God's right hand and
was be - fore cre - a - tion. You on - ly, Christ, as Lord we own and,
your great glo - ry thanks and praise, O God, Al - might - y Fa - ther.
we for judg - ment there must stand, have mer - cy, Lord, up - on us.
with the Spi - rit, you a - lone share in the Fa - ther's glo - ry.

Words: Nikolaus Decius (1490?-1541); tr. F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984), rev.; para. of *Gloria in excelsis*.
Music: *Allein Gott in der Höh*, melody att. Nikolaus Decius (1490?-1541).

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 215

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Officiant 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.

People **Amen.**

Reader A reading from the book of Jonah.

The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, "Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 62:6-14

NONNE DEO?

Please join in reading the psalm in unison.

- 6 **For God alone my soul in silence waits; ***
truly, my hope is in him.
- 7 **He alone is my rock and my salvation, ***
my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.
- 8 **In God is my safety and my honor; ***
God is my strong rock and my refuge.
- 9 **Put your trust in him always, O people, ***
pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.
- 10 **Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, ***
even those of low estate cannot be trusted.
- 11 **On the scales they are lighter than a breath, ***
all of them together.
- 12 **Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride; ***
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.
- 13 **God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, ***
that power belongs to God.
- 14 **Steadfast love is yours, O Lord, ***
for you repay everyone according to his deeds.

SECOND READING

1 CORINTHIANS 7:29-31

Reader A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to
 2 I want to see the bright-ness of God. I want to
 3 I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ. I want to

fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give light to the
 look at Je - sus. Clear sun of right-ous-ness, shine on my
 be with Je - sus. When we have run with pa - tience the

world. The star of my life is Je - sus.
 path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.
 race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the day are both a - like.

The Lamb is the light of the ci - ty of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

Officiant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

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

THE SERMON

THE REV. ANN MCLEMORE

NICENE CREED

BCP 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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM VI

BCP 392

- Intercessor For all people in their daily life and work;
People **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**
- Intercessor For this community, the nation, and the world;
People **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**
- Intercessor For the just and proper use of your creation;
People **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**
- Intercessor For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
People **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**
- Intercessor For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
People **For all who proclaim the Gospel and all who seek the Truth.**
- Intercessor For the Church of Bangladesh, for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Andy, Jeff, Hector, and Kai our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers;
People **For all who serve God in his Church.**
- Intercessor For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially for Raynelle, August, Gladys, Phillip, Charles, the Gil Family, Eva, Ralph, Kirk, Divesh, Rosie, Mark, Iris, Casey, Mary, Heather, Nancy, Ben, David, Rochelle, Jon, Tom, Anna, Joanne, and all those suffering from COVID-19.
(Silence; the People may add their own petitions)
Hear us Lord,
People **For your mercy is great.**
- Intercessor We thank you, Lord, for Stefan, George, Mary, and Bonita, as they celebrate their birthdays; and for all the blessings of this life.
(Silence; the People may add their own thanksgivings)
We will exalt you, O God our King;
People **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**
- Intercessor We pray for all who have died, especially those who have died from COVID-19, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.
(Silence; the People may add their own petitions)
Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
People **Who put their trust in you.**
- Officiant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
People **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.**

Officiant Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart, and especially the hearts of the people of this land, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

Officiant Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

Officiant We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

People **Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
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.

People **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY *Recognition and thanksgiving for gifts of time, talent, pledges and other donations*
Offerings can be given online at the [St. George's Donation page](#).

THE DOXOLOGY

H 43, VERSE 4

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise
him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711). Music: *The Eighth Tune*, Thomas Tallis (1505?-1585).

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN

Jesus Calls Us

H 550

1 Je - sus calls us; o'er the tu - mult of our life's wild, rest - less sea,
 2 as, of old, Saint An - drew heard it by the Gal - i - le - an lake,
 3 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the vain world's gol - den store;
 4 In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of toil and hours of ease,
 5 Je - sus calls us! By thy mer - cies, Sa - vior, may we hear thy call,

day by day his clear voice sound - eth, say - ing "Chris - tian, fol - low me;"
 turned from home and toil and kin - dred, leav - ing all for his dear sake.
 from each i - dol that would keep us, say - ing "Chris - tian, love me more."
 still he calls, in cares and plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."
 give our hearts to thine o - be - dience, serve and love thee best of all.

Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895), alt.

Music: Restoration, melody from *The Southern Harmony*, 1835; harm. *Hymnal* 1982, after *The Southern Harmony*, 1835.

DISMISSAL

Officiant Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Op. 10 No. 27, Ab Major
Joseph Matthias Schäfer

MI-YOUNG KIM

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After the service, please join our [Zoom Annual Parish Meeting](#) (passcode: Christ)!

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

For those who are sick or facing medical issues, especially:

Raynelle Blech

August Dolan-Henderson

Gladys Dykes

Phillip Farmer

Charles Foster

The Gil Family

Eva Harpst

Ralph Hausser

Kirk Hoffman

Divesh Manohar

Rosie Martinez

Mark Mays

Iris McBrayer

Casey McDonald

Mary Parker

Heather Razmus

Nancy Rushefsky

Ben Sears

David Treviño, Jr.

Rochelle & Jon Winkle

Tom Wooten

Those suffering from COVID-19

For those who have died and their families, especially:

Those who have died from COVID-19

For those facing difficult circumstances

Anna Doty and her colleagues

Joanne Mays

For those serving in the armed forces and their families, especially:

Maddison Worcester

Those who celebrate birthdays, especially:

Stefan Schuster (Jan 24)

George Stuart (Jan 25)

Mary Parker (Jan 29)

Bonita Snyder-Jones (Jan 30)

Those who celebrate anniversaries

In the Anglican cycle of prayer:

The Church of Bangladesh

In the Diocese of Texas cycle of prayer:

San Francisco de Asis, Austin

St. Alban's (Manchaca), Austin

SoCo, Austin

St. Christopher's, Austin

Names newly added to the list of prayer requests are in bold.

Names can be added to this list by emailing Jennifer at stgeorgeaustin@gmail.com.



THE SUNDAY BANNER – January 24, 2021

- ❖ **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING** – St. George’s Annual Parish Meeting will be held **TODAY!** Please join us **immediately after the service**. If you are worshiping via Zoom, you can simply stay on the same Zoom meeting. If you are worshiping via Facebook, join us after church at this link: [Zoom Annual Meeting](#) (passcode: Christ). The annual parish meeting is our opportunity to elect members of the Vestry, hear reports on various parish activities, and discuss other church business.
- ❖ **2021 PARISH DIRECTORY** – It’s time to prepare our 2021 Parish Directory! In order to make sure that you and your family are listed correctly, please do one of the following:
 - Check your email for an email from Jennifer on January 15th with the contact information the church has on file for you, and reply to that email to either confirm your information or make corrections.
 - If you were listed in last year’s directory, **CAREFULLY** review your listing. (Contact Jennifer at stgeorgeaustin@gmail.com for a copy of the 2020 Directory.) Then complete a [2021 Directory Information Form](#) – **EVEN** if you have no changes from last year’s listing (the form includes the option to indicate “no changes”).Contact Jennifer with any questions. Please respond by tomorrow, **Monday, January 25th**.
- ❖ **WEDNESDAY WEAVINGS** – Join us for St. George’s adult discussion group this **Wednesday, January 27th, from 7:00-8:00 pm**, via Zoom. We are currently reading and discussing *The Way of Love*. All are welcome to join the group for discussion and a closing service of Compline. Frances Rickard will send the reading along with the Zoom link to the group’s email list before the meeting. If you are not on the list and would like to receive the email, or if you have any questions, please contact Frances at fajrickard@gmail.com.
- ❖ **CONTACTING THE INTERIM RECTOR** – Ann is working on getting to know the parishioners of St. George’s and would love to hear from you! You can reach her at stgeorgesAustinrector@gmail.com or on her cell phone at **769-257-2377**. She, like many of us, will mostly be working from home, but she would be happy to make appointments to meet with people (masked and socially distanced) at the church.
- ❖ **GIVING TO ST. GEORGE’S** – We are grateful for your financial support in these challenging times. Your gifts enable us to use modern technology to connect to each other, as well as to continue to pay our ongoing expenses. Please consider giving online at the [St. George’s Donation page](#) (also accessible from the Stewardship page of our website at www.sgchurch.org/stewardship), where you can set up regular weekly or monthly donation using a credit card or a bank account. You can also mail checks to the church office. Thank you for your generosity.
- ❖ **COVID VACCINE PRE-REGISTRATION** – The COVID vaccine is currently being made available to people in category 1A (medical first responders) and 1B (age 65 and over) through Austin Public Health. Whether or not you are in one of those categories, you can pre-register at www.austintexas.gov/aph-vaccine-reg to be notified when the vaccine is available and you are eligible. If and when you are eligible for the vaccine, this website will also allow you to make an appointment.

PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMON LIFE

PRAYER IN TIMES OF TRANSITION

God of love, in this interim time, we pray for our parish family, that we may be genuine in our self-reflection, tireless in our commitment, patient in our discernment, loving in our communion, open in our search, imaginative about our future, and daring in our faith. As we enter into this new era with excitement and even some anxiety, we recall your deep compassion, presence, and abounding love. We thank you for the gifts, talents, and skills with which you have blessed us. We thank you for the experiences that have brought us to this moment. Be with us as we move forward, rejoicing with you and supporting one another. All this we pray, empowered by the love of Jesus Christ. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE HUMAN FAMILY

BCP 815

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

BCP 260

Heavenly Father, giver of life and health: Comfort and relieve your sick servants, and give your power of healing to those who minister to their needs, that those for whom our prayers are offered may be strengthened in their weakness and have confidence in your loving care; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, January 25		<i>The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle</i>
Tuesday, January 26		<i>Titus and Timothy, Companions of Saint Paul</i>
Wednesday, January 27	7:00 pm	<i>Wednesday Weavings</i> <i>John Chrysostom, Bishop and Theologian, 407</i>
Thursday, January 28		<i>Thomas Aquinas, Friar and Theologian, 1274</i>
Friday, January 29		
Saturday, January 30		
Sunday, January 31	10:30 am	<i>Liturgy of the Word</i> <i>Marcella of Rome, Monastic and Scholar, 410</i>

THOSE WHO SERVE

Officiant/Preacher – The Rev. Ann McLemore

Organist/Pianist – Mi-Young Kim

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Reader/Intercessor – Raul Carrera

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