



**St. George's**  
Episcopal Church

# THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

## LITURGY OF THE WORD, RITE II

**JANUARY 31, 2021**  
**10:30 AM**

The Rev. Ann McLemore, *Interim Rector*

Ms. Mi-Young Kim, *Music Director*

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

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*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.7, D Major  
Joseph Matthias Schäfer

MI-YOUNG KIM

WELCOME

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING HYMN

Thou, Whose Almighty Word

H 371

1 Thou, whose al - might - y word cha - os and dark - ness heard,  
2 Thou who didst come to bring on thy re - deem - ing wing  
3 Spi - rit of truth and love, life - giv - ing, ho - ly Dove,  
4 Ho - ly and bless - ed Three, glo - ri - ous Trin - i - ty,

and took their flight; hear us, we hum - bly pray, and, where the  
heal - ing and sight, health to the sick in mind, sight to the  
speed forth thy flight! Move on the wa - ters' face bear - ing the  
wis - dom, love, might; bound - less as o - cean's tide, roll - ing in

Gos - pel day sheds not its glo - rious ray, let there be light!  
in - ly blind, now to all hu - man - kind, let there be light!  
gifts of grace, and, in earth's dark - est place, let there be light!  
full - est pride, through the world far and wide, let there be light!

Words: John Marriott (1780-1825), alt.

Music: Moscow, Felice de Giardini (1716-1796); harm. *The New Hymnal*, 1916, based on *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, and Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

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.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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 Deuteronomy.

Moses said: The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the LORD my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." Then the LORD replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak – that prophet shall die."

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

## PSALM 111

## CONFITEBOR TIBI

*Please join in reading the psalm in unison.*

- 1 **Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, \*  
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.**
- 2 **Great are the deeds of the LORD! \*  
they are studied by all who delight in them.**
- 3 **His work is full of majesty and splendor, \*  
and his righteousness endures for ever.**
- 4 **He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; \*  
the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.**
- 5 **He gives food to those who fear him; \*  
he is ever mindful of his covenant.**
- 6 **He has shown his people the power of his works \*  
in giving them the lands of the nations.**
- 7 **The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; \*  
all his commandments are sure.**
- 8 **They stand fast for ever and ever, \*  
because they are done in truth and equity.**
- 9 **He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever; \*  
holy and awesome is his Name.**
- 10 **The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; \*  
those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures for ever.**

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

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him.

Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “no idol in the world really exists,” and that “there is no God but one.” Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth – as in fact there are many gods and many lords – yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. “Food will not bring us close to God.” We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

*There Is a Balm in Gilead*

H 676

*Refrain*

There is a balm in Gil - e - ad, to make the wound - ed whole,\_\_\_

there is a balm in Gil - e - ad, to heal the sin - sick soul. \_\_\_ soul.

1 Some - times I feel dis - cour - aged, and \_\_\_ think my work's in vain,  
 2 If you can - not preach like Pe - ter, if you can - not pray like Paul,

but \_\_\_ then the Ho - ly Spi - rit re - vives my soul a - gain. \_\_\_  
 you can tell the love of Je - sus, and say, “He died for all.” \_\_\_

*Repeat Refrain*

Words: Afro-American spiritual.  
 Music: *Balm in Gilead*, Afro-American spiritual.

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

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching – with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

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

## THE SERMON

THE REV. ANN MCLEMORE

## COMMISSIONING OF NEW VESTRY MEMBERS AND SENIOR WARDEN

*Officiant* On behalf of the congregation of St. George's, I present Mark Casstevens, Dale Curry, and Belinda McGhee as new vestry members, and Brad Dieringer as the new Senior Warden. These leaders have been elected by the congregation in accordance with our bylaws.

[to Mark, Dale, Belinda, and Brad] Do you commit yourselves to carry out the responsibilities of the office to which you have been appointed?

*Leaders* I do.

*Officiant* Do you reaffirm your commitment to follow Christ and to serve this congregation in his name?

*Leaders* I do.

*Officiant* [to the congregation] Will you do all in your power to support these leaders with your prayers, your honest yet gracious communication with them, and your willingness to help them carry out Christ's ministry in this church?

*Congregation* **We will.**

*Officiant* In the name of this congregation, I commission you for this work, and pledge you our prayers, encouragement, and support. May the Holy Spirit guide and strengthen you, that in this, and in all things, you may do God's will in the service of the kingdom of Christ. Amen.

Let us pray. Almighty God, look with favor upon these persons who have now reaffirmed their commitment to follow Christ and to serve in his name. Give them courage, patience, and vision; and strengthen us all in our Christian vocation of witness to the world, and of service to others; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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 Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil, 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, Morris, August, Gladys, Phillip, Charles, the Gil Family, Eva, Ralph, Kirk, Divesh, Rosie, Mark, Iris, Casey, Mary, Metis, Heather, Nancy, Ben, David, Rochelle, Jon, Tom, Anna, Joanne, the patients, family, and friends of Dr. Lindley Dodson, 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 Anne, Melissa, Sutton, Alison, and James, as they celebrate their birthdays; for Elzy and Betty, as they celebrate their anniversary; 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 Lindley, Phyllis and 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 bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures here be - low;  
praise him a - bove, 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**

**O for Thousand Tongues to Sing**

**H 493**

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my dear Re - deem - er's praise,  
2 My gra - cious mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim  
3 Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease;  
4 He speaks; and lis - tening to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive,  
5 Hear him, ye deaf; ye voice - less ones, your loos - ened tongues em - ploy;  
6 Glo - ry to God and praise and love, be now and e - ver given  
the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!  
and spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.  
'tis mus - ic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.  
the mourn - ful bro - ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.  
ye blind be - hold, your Sa - vior comes; and leap ye lame for joy.  
by saints be - low and saints a - bove, the Church in earth and heayen.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788).  
Music: *Asmon*, Carl Gotthilf Gläser (1784-1829); adapt. and arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

**DISMISSAL**

Officiant Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.  
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

**POSTLUDE**

**Op.10 No.20, B Major**  
Joseph Matthias Schäfer

**MI-YOUNG KIM**

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After the service, you are invited to join our [Zoom Coffee Hour](#) (passcode: Christ),  
for a brief time of fellowship with other St. George’s parishioners.

**PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING**

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

Raynelle Blech	Ralph Hausser	<b>Metis Policano</b>
<b>Morris Calhoun</b>	Kirk Hoffman	Heather Razmus
August Dolan-Henderson	Divesh Manohar	Nancy Rushefsky
Gladys Dykes	Rosie Martinez	Ben Sears
Phillip Farmer	Mark Mays	David Treviño, Jr.
Charles Foster	Iris McBrayer	Rochelle & Jon Winkle
The Gil Family	Casey McDonald	Tom Wooten
Eva Harpst	Mary Parker	Those suffering from COVID-19

**For those who have died and their families, especially:**

<b>Lindley Dodson</b>	Those who have died from COVID-19
<b>Phyllis Pearson</b>	

**For those facing difficult circumstances, especially:**

Anna Doty and her colleagues	The patients, family, and friends of Dr. Lindley Dodson
Joanne Mays	

**For those serving in the armed forces and their families**

**Those who celebrate birthdays, especially:**

Anne McGonigle (Feb 1)	Alison Poage (Feb 5)
Melissa Brackin (Feb 2)	James Rickard (Feb 5)
Sutton Stevens (Feb 2)	

**Those who celebrate anniversaries, especially:**

Elzy & Betty Cogswell (Feb 2)

**In the Anglican cycle of prayer:**

Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

**In the Diocese of Texas cycle of prayer:**

St. David’s, Austin  
St. George’s, Austin  
St. James’, 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](mailto:stgeorgeaustin@gmail.com).

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## THE SUNDAY BANNER – January 31, 2021

❖ **VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR** – Immediately after the service each Sunday, you are invited to join our [Zoom Coffee Hour](#) (passcode: Christ) to share a brief time of fellowship with other parishioners.

❖ **FIRESIDE CHATS** – Join our Interim Rector for a Fireside Chat in February. These conversations will last for about an hour and be limited to 10 people each. They will be an opportunity to share our stories, current or past, a time to find the threads that bring the community of St. George’s together, and a chance to see and connect to one another. The dates and times are:

Tuesday, February 2, 12:00 pm

Monday, February 15, 7:00 pm

Saturday, February 13, 9:00 am

Friday, February 19, 10:00 am

Please [register online](#) for the date and time that works best for you. If you have difficulty with the registration process, contact Jennifer in the church office at [stgeorgeaustin@gmail.com](mailto:stgeorgeaustin@gmail.com). We look forward to seeing you by the fireside!

❖ **WOMEN’S BOOK GROUP** – Please join us for our next meeting on **Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup>**, from **3:00 to 5:00 pm**, via **Zoom**. We will discuss **Little Fires Everywhere**, by **Celeste Ng**. All St. George’s women are welcome to attend – even if you haven’t read the book! We hope you can join us for interesting conversation and our book discussion. The Zoom invitation will be sent out to the group’s email list prior to the meeting. To be added to the list, or with any questions, please contact Sandra Villalaz at 512-762-8349 or [sandra.villalaz48@gmail.com](mailto:sandra.villalaz48@gmail.com). Happy reading!

❖ **VESTRY UPDATES** – Many thanks to the three vestry members who finished their three-year terms as of the Annual Parish Meeting last Sunday – Bridgette Beinecke, Melissa Brackin, and Stefan Schuster. And an extra big thank-you to Melissa for serving as our Senior Warden during this past tumultuous year. When she agreed to serve, she didn’t realize she’d be dealing with a pandemic and the departure of our rector! And we welcome three new vestry members who were elected last week – Mark Casstevens, Dale Curry, and Belinda McGhee. We are also pleased to have Brad Dieringer serving as our Senior Warden for the next year. Brad has served in that capacity before, so St. George’s is in good hands as we begin our new rector search, continue to deal with the effects of the pandemic, and – hopefully! – begin to find ways to re-gather in person.

❖ **CHRISTOPHER HOUSE BASKETS** – St. George’s has a long-standing ministry of delivering hospitality baskets to the families of patients at Christopher House. As with everything else, the logistics of this have changed with the pandemic, but we continue to deliver baskets, and we need more delivery people! To be a part of this ministry, sign up for one or more weeks between now and June on the [Online Christopher House Basket Calendar](#). A \$10 donation is requested per basket, and you can also add a note and other goodies (nothing perishable). You can make the donation online via the [St. George’s Donation Page](#) under Outreach, or by mailing a check to the church office, made out to “St. George’s Episcopal Church,” with “Christopher House Baskets” in the memo line. Then, contact Alice Nelson at [mzlsnlsn@gmail.com](mailto:mzlsnlsn@gmail.com) to make arrangements to get a basket before your delivery week. Delivery includes no patient contact, and only brief outdoor and masked contact with a staff member.

- ❖ **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 [stgeorgesaustrinrector@gmail.com](mailto:stgeorgesaustrinrector@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](http://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](http://www.austintexas.gov/aph-vaccine-reg) to be notified when the vaccine is available and you are eligible and make an appointment when appropriate.
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## 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.

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## THE WEEK AHEAD

<b>Monday, February 1</b>		<i>Brigid of Kildare, Monastic, c.523</i>
<b>Tuesday, February 2</b>	12:00 pm Fireside Chat 7:30 pm Choir Meet-up	<i>The Presentation of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Temple</i>
<b>Wednesday, February 3</b>		
<b>Thursday, February 4</b>		<i>Manche Masemola, Martyr, 1928</i>
<b>Friday, February 5</b>		<i>Agatha of Sicily, Martyr, c.251</i>
<b>Saturday, February 6</b>	3:00 pm Women's Book Group	<i>The Martyrs of Japan, 1597</i>
<b>Sunday, February 7</b>	10:30 am Liturgy of the Word	

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## THOSE WHO SERVE

*Officiant/Preacher* – The Rev. Ann McLemore  
*Organist/Pianist* – Mi-Young Kim  
*Media Coordinator* – Brad Dieringer  
*Singers* – Elaine Hosage, Jan Phillips  
*Reader/Intercessor* – August Dolan-Henderson

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