



Holy Eucharist ~ January 9, 2022
First Sunday after the Epiphany
The Baptism of our Lord

St. Luke's Episcopal Church

*North Main at Fourth Street
Jamestown, New York*

The Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe, Bishop

*The Rev. Luke Fodor, Rector; The Rev. Deacon Cathy Smith;
Mr. Paul Johnson, Verger; Mr. Ron McEntire, Minister of Music:*

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*The mission is simple: to **Connect** all people, help them **Discover** God's love,
empower them to **Serve** and watch them **Grow**."*

WELCOME TO ST. LUKE'S

*We welcome you this morning to St. Luke's Church and are delighted to have you join us for worship today. If you are **visiting** for the first time, or are looking for a church home, please fill in a pew card and place it in the offering plate.*

At the time of Communion, all are invited to God's Table. In addition to the altar rail, a floor-level Communion station is made available, which includes gluten-free wafers and grape juice.

Available to children is a visit to the Book Cart, or the use of a "Children's Activity Bag" found near the front of the church nave (ask an usher). Nursery care is provided downstairs.

Clergy and members of the congregation look forward to greeting you after services. Join us downstairs for refreshments. All are welcome! Audio transmitters are available for those who have difficulty hearing the service; please ask an usher.

~ Copies of today's sermon are available at the doors.

PRELUDE

Hail this Day so Rich in Cheer

- J. S. Bach

OPENING HYMN *Down By the Jordan*

Worship & Song # 3045

**Down by the Jordan, a prophet named John was baptizing,
preaching a message the people found bold and surprising.**

**"God will forgive! Show that you'll change how your live!
Surely God's new day is rising!"**

There by the river, the crowd came with great expectation:

"Are you God's Chosen One, sent here to rescue our nation?"

**"No!" John replied. "He who is mightier than I
judges and offers salvation.**

**Jesus, you went to be baptized along with the others,
taking your place among sinners, God's lost sons and daughters.**

Then with great love, God's Spirit came as a dove!

Your work began in those waters.

Here in the Church, we are baptized and filled with God's Spirit.

Freed and forgiven we're welcomed with joy! Can you hear it?

This is God's sign! This is how God says, "You're mine!"

Let's take the good news and share it!

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: **Who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing. AMEN.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY, *said by all*

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, *said by all*

- arr. by R. Richard Corbin

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY: The Lord be with you. *Response: And also with you.*

Let us pray: Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed 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 you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

The First Reading is from Isaiah 43:1-7

Thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth--everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

The Word of the LORD. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 29, *please join in saying the Psalm*

**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

The Second Reading is from the Acts of the Apostles 8:14-17

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit -- for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the LORD. *Thanks be to God.*

Gospel Sequence Hymn *Wade in the Water* *Lift Every Voice and Sing, (LEVAS) #143*

*Wade in the water, wade in the water, children,
Wade in the water, God's a-gonna trouble the water.*

See that host all dressed in white, God's a-gonna trouble the water.
The leader looks like the Israelite, God's a-gonna trouble the water. *Refrain*

See that band all dressed in red, God's a-gonna trouble the water.
Looks like the band that Moses led, God's a-gonna trouble the water. *Refrain*

Look over yonder, what do I see? God's a-gonna trouble the water.
The Holy Ghost a-coming on me, God's a-gonna trouble the water. *Refrain*

If you don't believe I've been redeemed, God's a-gonna trouble the water.
Just follow me down to Jordan's stream, God's a-gonna trouble the water. *Refrain*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Response before the Gospel: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

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

SERMON

The Rev. Luke Fodor, Rector

NICENE CREED, *said by all, standing as able*

**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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.**

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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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 VI, BCP pg 392)

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For Joe, our President; Kathy, our Governor; Eddie, our mayor;

for the members Congress and the Supreme Court;

for the safety of our armed forces; for this community, for the nation, and for the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop; for Sean the Bishop of our Diocese;

for Luke, Cathy, and Jessica, our clergy, for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in the Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation...

For the sick, and all who have commended themselves to our prayers, especially:

*Clyde Card, Bruce Harris, Barbara Bumsted, Donald Ruland, Sydney Benson, Millie D.,
Richard Allberg, Sally Ernewein; Cara Murphy, Dawn Hammond, Tim Pickett,
Mac Dawson, Jamie Knowlton, Pete Cortez, Mindy Parinella, Pete Nagle,
Bob Whitman, Amy Quilty, Kirk & Deb Cardone, Mary Holton, Joyce Crate,
Jeanne Green, Ann Lamp, Barbara Lissfelt, and those others we now name.....*

Hear us, Lord; ***For your mercy is great.***

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life...

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in Your eternal kingdom.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; ***Who put their trust in you.***

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

***All: 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.***

The Celebrant concludes with the absolution.

THE PEACE *Let us exchange the Peace of Christ with one another!* *Please remain at your seat*

The peace of the Lord be always with you. People And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY HYMN # 120, vs. 1-4, *The sinless one to Jordan came*

- blue pew hymnal

DOXOLOGY WITH ALLELUIAS, sung by all

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him all creatures here below
praise Him above, ye heav'nly host,
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: *Supplemental Eucharistic Prayer 3*

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

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant continues

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; and so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

SANCTUS

by R. Richard Corbin

Ho-ly Ho-ly Ho-ly Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are
full of Your glo-ry. Ho san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us. We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Celebrant and People

Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Celebrant and People **Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN**

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

**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 *Silent moment*

8:00 AM Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

10:00 AM, *sung by all*

AT THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

S-154, David Hurd, - blue pew hymnal

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE COMMUNION *Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, all are invited to receive Communion.*

Gluten-free wafers, as well as grape juice, are available at the floor communion station; please indicate your preference.

If you have difficulty coming forward, communion will be brought to you at your seat.

You are invited to light a candle for a person or concern for your prayers.

The candle station is located to the right of the sermon pulpit.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

Baptized in Water

Worship & Song, #2248

**Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
cleansed by the blood of Christ our King:
heirs of salvation, trusting his promise,
faithfully now God's praise we sing.**

**Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
dead in the tomb with Christ our King:
one with his rising, freed and forgiven,
thankfully now God's praise we sing.**

**Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
marked with the sign of Christ our King:
born of one Father, we are his children,
joyfully now God's praise we sing.**

Shall we gather at the river

Lift Every Voice and Sing (LEVAS) # 141

**Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod;
With its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?**

***Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river;
Gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.***

**On the margin of the river, washing up its silver spray,
We will walk and worship ever, all the happy golden day. *Refrain***

**Ere we reach the shining river, lay we ev'ry burden down;
Grace our spirits will deliver, and provide a robe and crown. *Refrain***

**Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease,
Soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace. *Refrain***

POST COMMUNION PRAYER, *said by all*

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the
sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant
us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SENDING HYMN # 296, We know that Christ is raised

- blue pew hymnal

BLESSING

DISMISSAL *Response: Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

POSTLUDE *In Thee is Gladness*

- J. S. Bach

*The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by Catherine Way
in loving memory of Charles and Helen Way.*

2022's pledge envelope boxes are in the church; Please pick them up .

If you thought you ordered envelopes and do not find a box, please let the church office know. You can drop by the church anytime the office is open to pick up your envelopes.

And it's still not too late to pledge for 2022 – please fill out a pledge card and drop it into the offering basin, or you can offer your pledge on line at www.bit.ly/StLukesPledge2022

If you are not pledging and still would like to receive offering envelopes, let Catherine Way know (phone the church office at 484-6405 or stitcherway@gmail.com).

New Year...New You? Get your Buti in motion

Are you looking for a fun way to start off the New Year? If so, consider joining Grace parishioner, Stephanie Bulvotz-Brown, through a Buti yoga class, held at Grace Episcopal Church on **Wednesday, January 12th at 5:30 pm**. Buti yoga incorporates the use of dance and high intensity interval training, fused with yoga techniques. Stephanie, a certified Buti yoga instructor, will be teaching the basics of this style of yoga. We hope you'll join us!

Parish Directory

So that we are able to print the Parish Directory for the Annual Meeting, please take time to review and edit the copies located by the entrances in the sanctuary. Take a moment to look yourself up in the directory and see if we have the listing correct. Make any edits on the sheets. Please take time to review and edit as needed for yourself or make a note of others that need edited. Also, let us know how we might find your picture for the directory.