



# St. Paul's Episcopal Church

The  
Third Sunday  
after the Epiphany

Suffolk, Virginia

January 22, 2023

## A Celebration of Holy Eucharist at 9:30

Voluntary: **Come, thou fount of every...**-Edward Broughton

### The Liturgy of the Word

The Opening Salutation: p. 355

A Hymn: *Thy strong word did cleave the darkness* #381

The Collect of the Day: p. 215

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.**

### Today's Readings from Holy Scripture

The First Lesson: **Isaiah 9:1-4**

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 Response: Psalm 27:1, 5-13

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?

**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;**

To behold the fair beauty of the Lord \*  
and to seek him in his temple.

**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.**

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

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

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

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

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

**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.**

### The New Testament Lesson: **I Corinthians 1:10-18**

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 Gospel Lesson: **Matthew 4:12-23**

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 Sermon: The Very Rev. Dr. Keith Emerson

The Nicene Creed: p. 358

The Prayers of the People: Form I p. 383

**Birthdays:** Christian DeFreeuw, Dayton Dixon, Cindy Ferguson, Sarah Newsom, and Wyatt Ridens.

**Anniversaries:**

**Parish Prayer List:** Ronnie Aylward, Magdalene Barnes, Abbi Blake, Sylvia Bourcier, Arthur Buchanan, Juel Carr, Dot Cross, Connie Garris, Connie Happel, Richard Harrell, Patricia Hundley, Elizabeth Jenkins, Peggy Moore, Dixie Peachy, Frances Pettit, Doreen Pickering, Sandi Rekkedal, and Lyn Snyder.

**The Departed:** Mr. & Mrs. Charles J. Moody, Jr. and Peter Winzenried.

The Confession & Absolution: p. 360

The Peace: p. 360

## The Offertory

The Anthem: *Very Bread, Good Shepherd*

-*Thom Robertson*

## The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer B: p. 367

The Sanctus: **#S129**

The Lord's Prayer: p. 364

The Fraction and Anthem:

The Communion of the People:

Every person who has been baptized into the Christian faith and life in the name of God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is welcome to receive communion in the Episcopal Church regardless of age or denominational affiliation.

You may stand or kneel at the Altar Rail. Gluten-free wafers are available. Communion wine is served in individual cups, which, once consumed, members place on a tray located in the Chancel area. If you are not able to negotiate the Chancel steps the priest will be happy to bring communion to you at your pew.

Most Sundays a member of the congregation will be available to pray with you privately after you receive communion. This person will be standing at the Prayer Desk next to the pulpit. We encourage you to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity for healing and grace.

The Communion Hymn: *As we gather at your table* **WLP #763**

The Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion: p. 366

### The Blessing:

The world is too dangerous  
and too beautiful for anything but love.  
May your eyes be so blessed you see God in everyone;  
your ears, so you hear the cry of the poor.  
May your hands be so blessed  
that everything you touch is a sacrament;  
your lips, so you speak nothing but the truth with love.  
May your feet be so blessed you run  
to those who need you.  
And may your heart be so opened,  
so set on fire, that your love—your love—  
changes everything.  
And may the blessing of God Almighty,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit  
be among you this day and remain with you always.

A Hymn: *Spread, O spread, thou mighty word*

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### The Dismissal:

Let us bless the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

An Organ Voluntary: **Rondeau** —Henry Purcell

## **Announcements**

**Communion-to-Go Bags** are still available if you are not able to attend next week's service and plan to watch on Facebook Live.

## **Calendar**

Today    **A Celebration of Holy Eucharist** at 9:30.  
          **The Annual Meeting** after the 9:30 service.  
Wed.    **Women's Bible Study** at 10:00.  
Thur.    **The Choir** rehearses at 7:00.  
Fri.      **The Vestry Retreat** at the Coxes at 6:30.

- Sat.     **The Vestry Retreat** at the Coxes at 9:30.
- 1/29     **A Celebration of Holy Eucharist** at 9:30.  
          **Healing Service** in the Chapel following the 9:30 service
- 2/5       **Souper Bowl** lunch after the 9:30 service.
- 2/12     **St. Valentine's Party** after the 9:30 service.
- 2/21     **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper** in the Parish Hall from  
          5:00-7:00.
- 2/22     **Ash Wednesday Eucharist** in the Chapel at noon.  
          **Ash Wednesday Eucharist** with Choir in the Church at  
          7:00.

## Assisting in Today's Service

### Altar Guild

Macey  
Olenjack  
Kitty Quillin

### Reader

Mary Ellen  
Baur  
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The Treasurer: Beau Holland

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