



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN

The Baptism of Jesus - Sunday January 7, 2024 The Holy Eucharist Rite II at 10:00am

SERVICE NOTES: *We are glad you have joined us! If you are online:* We have posted a hymn insert, which also has other helpful information about attending online. *If you are in person:* The hymns can be found in the hymn book in the pew rack in front of you, with some of the service music printed within the text. Masks are recommended by Yolo County; they are optional at this time, but we want everyone to take whatever precautions they deem appropriate. We encourage you to sing and pray actively. Thank you and welcome!

PRELUDE “Christ, Unser Herr, Zum Jordan Kam” M. Praetorius

Please stand, as you are able, for the Opening Hymn.

In the Hymnal

OPENING HYMN H 497 “How bright appears the Morning Star” (*Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern*)

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

SONG OF PRAISE H 128 “We three kings of Orient are” (*Three Kings of Orient*) *In the Hymnal*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider 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.**

FIRST READING *Please be seated for the readings.* **Genesis 1: 1-5**

A reading from the book of Genesis.

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Please join in reading Psalm 29.

**1 Ascribe to God, you heavenly beings, *
ascribe to God glory and strength.**

**2 Ascribe due honor to God’s holy Name; *
worship the Most High in the beauty of holiness.**

- 3 The voice of God is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders; *
God is upon the mighty waters.**
- 4 The voice of God is a powerful voice; *
the voice of God is a voice of splendor.**
- 5 The voice of God breaks the cedar trees; *
God breaks the cedars of Lebanon;**
- 6 God makes Lebanon skip like a calf *
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**
- 7 The voice of God splits the flames of fire;
the voice of God shakes the wilderness; *
God shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**
- 8 The voice of God makes the oak trees writhe *
and strips the forests bare.**
- 9 And in the temple of the Holy One, *
all are crying, "Glory!"**
- 10 God sits enthroned above the flood, *
enthroned as Sovereign for evermore.**
- 11 God shall give strength to the people; *
God shall give the people the blessing of peace.**

Please stand, as you are able.

SEQUENCE HYMN H 123 "Alleluia, song of gladness" (*Tibi Christe splendor Patris*), v.1, 2 *In the Hymnal*

GOSPEL

Mark 1:4-11

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

Please stand as you are able.

The Presider says

Let us all renew our baptismal vows.

Presider Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People **I do.**

- Presider* Do you believe in God the Father?
People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**
- Presider* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
- Presider* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
People **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**
- Presider* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
People **I will, with God's help.**
- Presider* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
People **I will, with God's help.**
- Presider* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
People **I will, with God's help.**
- Presider* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People **I will, with God's help.**
- Presider* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
People **I will, with God's help.**

The Presider concludes

May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

HYMN WLP 767 "Baptized in water"

See insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *Form IV, BCP*

Deacon Let us pray for the Church and the world.

Leader Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

(We pause, making space for prayer to be said, either silently or aloud.)

Lord, in your mercy
People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace, that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

(We pause, making space for prayer to be said, either silently or aloud.)

Lord, in your mercy
People **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

(We pause, making space for prayer to be said, either silently or aloud.)

People Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Leader Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

(We pause, making space for prayer to be said, either silently or aloud.)

People Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Leader Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. *(The deacon will share prayer requests and then will invite the congregation to add their own prayers.)*

People Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Leader We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

(We pause, making space for prayer to be said, either silently or aloud.)

People Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Presider 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. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

We greet one another in the name of the Lord with sensitivity to those who wish to maintain physical distance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please see the announcement insert, and feel free to take this bulletin home with you. If you do not currently receive an email from us with current news and events, please reach out to info@churchofstmartin.org.

CELEBRATIONS AND MILESTONES *All may join in praying.*

Watch over your children O Lord, as their days increase: bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OFFERTORY NOTES

The ushers will pass collection plates. Online giving is also available; just look for the blue "GIVE" button on our website or the QR code near the back of this bulletin, or contact the office for more information. We are very grateful to those who have pledged and who give regularly, as well as for all plate offerings.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Sung by the Pop Up Choir*

OFFERTORY RESPONSE *(Franconia) Please join in singing.*

We give thee but thine own, / Whate'er the gift may be;

All that we have is thine alone, / A trust, O God, from thee.

—William Walsham Howe

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Please stand, as you are able, for the Eucharistic Prayer.

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

The Presider continues

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:

SANCTUS *Presider and People*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The Presider continues

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:

Presider and People

Christ has died,

Christ is risen,

Christ will come again.

The Presider 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

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, *(first in Spanish and then in English,)*

People and Presider

**Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,
santificado sea tu Nombre,
venga tu reino,
hágase tu voluntad,
en la tierra como en el cielo.**

Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.

**Perdona nuestras ofensas,
como también nosotros perdonamos a los
que nos ofenden.**

**No nos dejes caer en tentación
y líbranos del mal.**

**Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder,
y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre.**

Amen.

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever.**

Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The Presider says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

ABOUT RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome at God's table, children included. Gluten-free Communion hosts are available; please ask. Come forward down the center aisle for Communion. Choose the station on the left for intinction by the priest or the station on the right to drink from the common cup. The customary response upon receiving Communion is "Amen." Crossing your arms over your chest indicates you would like a blessing instead of Communion.

COMMUNION HYMN H 121 "Christ, when for us you were baptized" (*Caithness*)
LEVAS 141 "Shall we gather at the river"

*In the Hymnal
See insert*

EUCCHARISTIC VISITOR SENDING PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.

Deacon We send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those whom you visit will share in Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

Deacon Our prayers go with you.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.

Presider and People

God of abundance,

you have fed us

with the bread of life and cup of salvation;

you have united us

with Christ and one another;

and you have made us one

with all your people in heaven and on earth.

Now send us forth

in the power of your Spirit,

that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever

in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING *The Presider offers a blessing and the People respond Amen.*

God's Blessing be with you,

Christ's peace be with you,

the Spirit's outpouring be with you,

now and always. **Amen.** (source: Celtic)

CLOSING HYMN

H 296 "We know that Christ was raised" (*Engelberg*)

In the Hymnal

DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

"Christ, Unser Herr, Zum Jordan Kam"
(Conclusion)

M. Praetorius

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We acknowledge the land on which we are gathered. For thousands of years, this land has been the home of Patwin people. Today, there are three federally recognized Patwin tribes: Cachil Dehe Band of Wintun Indians of the Colusa Indian Community, Kletsel Dehe Wintun Nation, and Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation. The Patwin people have remained committed to the stewardship of this land over many centuries. It has been cherished and protected, as elders have instructed the young through generations. We are honored and grateful to be here today on their traditional lands.

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