

# St. Augustine's Church

A Church Family in the Heart of the City



January 7, 10:00 AM, 2024

## Epiphany Sunday with the Baptism of the Lord The Holy Eucharist

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Prelude Mary Lee Voort

**Processional Hymn: We Three Kings** 

We three kings of Orient are, bearing gifts we traverse afar; Field and fountain moor and mountain, following yonder star.

**Chorus:** O star of wonder, star of night,

star with royal beauty bright;

Westward leading, still proceeding,

guide us to Thy perfect light.

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain, gold I bring to crown Him again; King forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign. *Chorus* 

Frankincense to offer have I, incense owns a Deity nigh; Prayer and praising, all men raising, worship Him, God most high. *Chorus* 

Myrrh is mine, its bitter perfume, breathes a life of gathering gloom; Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying, sealed in the stone cold tomb. *Chorus* 

Glorious now behold Him arise, King and God and Sacrifice; Alleluia, alleluia! Earth to the heavens replies. *Chorus* 

**Announcements** The Rev. Dr. Gillian Breckenridge

Children's Focus

The Gathering of the Community

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,

and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Almighty God,

People unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no

secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration

of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily

magnify thy holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria #679

Celebrant Glory be to God on high,

All: and in earth peace, good will towards all. We praise thee,

we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give

thanks to thee for thy great glory,

O Lord God, heavenly king, God the Father almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest

away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,

have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy;

thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## The Collects of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray

All Eternal God, who by a star led wise men to the worship of your Son.

Guide by your light the nations of the earth, that the whole world may know your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit, keep your children, born of water and the Spirit, faithful to their calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God,

now and for ever. Amen

### The Proclamation of the Word

At the conclusion of the reading, the reader shall say:

And the people shall respond:

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6 (p. 528)

Andreas Gateman

**Second Reading:** Ephesians 3:1-12 (p. 828) Shelly Townsend – First Baptist Church

Gradual Hymn: Here I Am to Worship

Light of the World, you stepped down into darkness,

opened my eyes, let me see. Beauty that made this heart adore You, hope of a life spent with You.

Chorus: So, here I am to worship, here I am to bow down,

Here I am to say that You're my God.

And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,

altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days, so highly exalted, glorious in heaven above.

Humbly You came to the Earth You created, all for love's sake became poor. *Chorus* 

And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross.

And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross. *Chorus* 

The Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12 (p. 681) Karen Hudson

Reader The Lord be with you.

All And with thy spirit.

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Reader The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

**Sermon** The Rev. Steve Bateman

**Anthem** Amid the Cold of Winter arr. Bret Rhoades

The Nicene Creed (all standing)

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God, of God; Light, of Light; very God, of very God; begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father; through

whom all things were made: who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## The Prayers of the People (all kneeling)

**Greg Young** 

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for The Scottish Episcopal Church.

<u>Diocesan Cycle of Prayer</u>: We pray for St. Laurence, Calgary and The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland and The Rev. MJ Leewis-Kirk.

In Our Companion Diocese of the Windward Islands we pray for Holy Trinity, Georgetown with St. John, Holy Name, St. Peter, St. Luke and Byera Chapel, on Grenada and The Ven. Junior Ballantyne.

<u>Parish Cycle of Prayer:</u> We pray for those involved in Men's and Women's Groups: Fellowship Group, Friendship Group, Men's Group and the Cursillo Community.

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins to almighty God.

Silence is kept. The celebrant and people say together,

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things and judge of all people: we acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word and deed, against thy divine majesty. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your

sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### The Peace

All stand, and one of the ministers addresses the people:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Offertory Hymn: #385 Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness

### The Celebration of the Eucharist

## **Prayer Over the Gifts**

The Rev. Dr. Gillian Breckenridge

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Gracious God, accept the offering of your Church, the hearts of your people joined in praise and thanksgiving, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

## The Great Thanksgiving (all kneeling) #682

Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And with thy spirit.Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

Celebrant It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times,

and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty,

everlasting God, creator and preserver of all things. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who, in substance of our mortal flesh, manifested forth his glory, that he might bring us out of darkness into his own marvellous light. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud

and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee and saying:

All Holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full

of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee, almighty God,

our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for

the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all, of this; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy bread of eternal life and the cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded:

All We praise thee, we bless thee, we thank thee, and we pray to thee, Lord our God.

Celebrant

And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.** 

## The Lord's Prayer (all kneeling)

Celebrant

And now, as our Saviour 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

## The Breaking of the Bread #685

All O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world:

have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world:

have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world:

grant us thy peace.

We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, But in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, And to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and That we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.

*Celebrant* The gifts of God for the people of God.

All Thanks be to God.

#### The Communion

All baptized Christians are invited to receive the Eucharist.
All (baptized or not) are invited to come forward for a blessing.
If you require a gluten free wafer, please inform the person administering the bread.

## **Prayer after Communion**

Celebrant Let us pray. (all kneeling)

All God of all the nations of the earth, guide us with your light. Help us to recognize Christ as he comes to us in this eucharist and in our neighbours. May we welcome him with love, for he is Lord now and for ever. Amen.

**The Doxology** (all standing)
Celebrant Glory to God,

All whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or

imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and

in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

Recessional Hymn: #384 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

**Dismissal** 

*Minister* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God!

#### **Postlude**

During Epiphany, the Downtown churches participate in a reader's exchange. We are pleased to welcome this morning Shelley Townsend from First Baptist Church. Michael Larsen from our parish is reading at St. Basil's (All Saints).

### FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR TO THE GLORY OF GOD

In loving memory of Norman and Christina Noss by the family.

In loving memory of Earl and Eleanor Herbig by Allan and Vernice and family.

In loving memory of Ethel Maughan

by Sue and Gerald Kyllo and family, and Miles and Noel Maughan and family.

#### **SHARING IN MINISTRY TODAY**

**GOSPELLER:** Karen Hudson **INTERCESSOR:** Greg Young

LAY ASSISTANTS: Allan Besplug, Sylvia Besplug, Brenda Boeré, Janet Efunbajo, Michael

Larsen, Gary Moore, Jay Penner

**LECTORS:** Andreas Gateman, Shelley Townsend

MUSICIANS: The Rev. Steve Bateman, Karen Hudson, Erinn Roberts, and St. Augustine's

Senior Choir

**SANCTUARY GUILD:** Harriet Edwards, Allan and Vernice Herbig, Patricia Latimer, Lois

Ledene, Joanne Stroh

**SERVER:** Nicole MacDonald

**SIDESPEOPLE:** Cathy Gillespie, Karen Larsen

**COUNT SUPERVISOR:** Margot Bailes

**TECHNICAL CREW:** 

Sound: Barry Adams, Rachel Robinson; Videography: Kimoya Edwards, Orion Legg

WELCOME MINISTRY: Meredith MacDonald and Kathy Leonard

Rector The Rev. Steve Bateman

**Associate Priest** The Rev. Dr. Gillian Breckenridge **Rector Emeritus** The Rev. Canon Allan McCuaig **Rector Emeritus** The Rev. Canon James Robinson

Children & Family Ministries Stef Collins

**Administrative Assistant** 

**Nursery & Special Events** Esther Oluwagbemi Interim Music Director Karen Hudson Organist Mary Lee Voort

Rachelle Wiebe

Vergers Joelle Duda and Greg Young Rector's Warden Sylvia Besplug

Acolyte **Tom Warwick Harriet Edwards** Assistant Rector's Warden

People's Warden Doug McLaughlin Assistant People's Warden Jose Samayoa Deputy Warden (Worship) Karen Hudson

Deputy Warden (Caring) Julie & Leonard Lorenz

Deputy Warden (Fellowship) Annette Bright

**Chris Burton** Deputy Warden (Missional Outreach) Deputy Warden (Facilities) Allan Besplug

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