



Third Sunday after the Epiphany
Holy Eucharist, Rite II

January 26, 2025
10 a.m.

Welcome to St. John's!

Welcome today if your heart is singing, and welcome if your heart is breaking.

Welcome if you're anxious about tomorrow,
and welcome if you don't have a care in the world.

Welcome if your conscience is troubling you,
and welcome if you're barely able to contain your experience of forgiveness.

Welcome if you leapt out of bed this morning,
and welcome if you had to drag yourself out.

Welcome to you if this is your first visit,
and welcome to you if you have barely missed a single Sunday
since you first became a part of this community.

Whether you are here as a wanderer or a pilgrim, a seeker or a skeptic,
a saint or a sinner, a regular or a visitor, a friend or a stranger; you are welcome!

And we invite you to belong here even before you believe.

(Adapted from Liverpool Cathedral)

Preparation for Worship

The organ's chimes are a signal that it is time to take your seat in a pew, refrain from talking, and be in prayer and meditation as preparation for our worship together. The organ voluntary is an opportunity when, if we are properly prepared, we may hear the voice of the Holy Spirit in the confines of our mind.

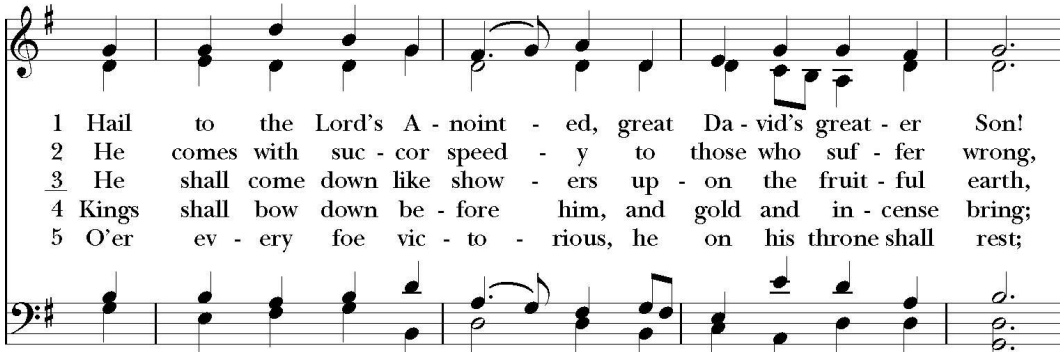
THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

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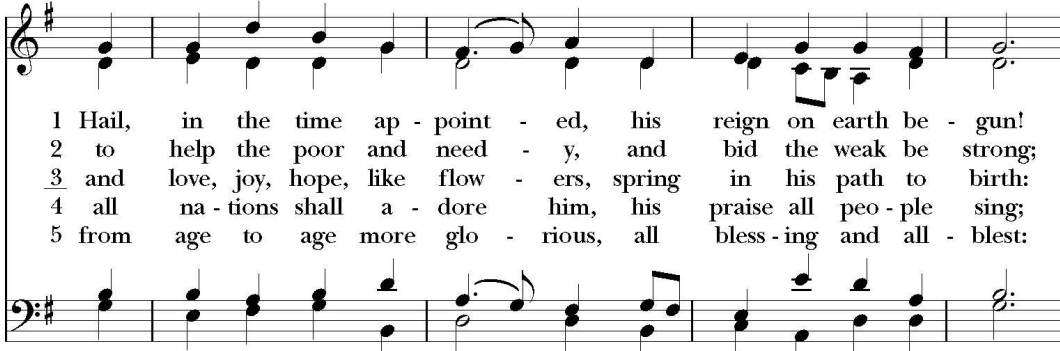
Voluntary

Improvisation on *ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGLEIN*

Hymn 616, "Hail to the Lord's anointed"

Tune: *ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGLEIN*


1 Hail to the Lord's A - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er Son!
 2 He comes with suc - cor speed - y to those who suf - fer wrong,
 3 He shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit - ful earth,
 4 Kings shall bow down be - fore him, and gold and in - cense bring;
 5 O'er ev - ery foe vic - to - rious, he on his throne shall rest;



1 Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, his reign on earth be - gun!
 2 to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong;
 3 and love, joy, hope, like flow - ers, spring in his path to birth:
 4 all na - tions shall a - dore him, his praise all peo - ple sing;
 5 from age to age more glo - rious, all bless - ing and all - blest:



1 He comes to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive free;
 2 to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to light,
 3 be - fore him on the moun - tains shall peace, the her - ald, go;
 4 to him shall prayer un - ceas - ing and dai - ly vows a - scend;
 5 the tide of time shall nev - er his cov - e - nant re - move;

1 to take a - way trans - gres - sion, and rule in eq - ui - ty.
 2 whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, were pre - cious in his sight.
 3 and right - eous - ness in foun - tains from hill to val - ley flow.
 4 his king - dom still in - creas - ing, a king - dom with - out end.
 5 his Name shall stand for ev - er, his change - less Name of Love.

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Book of Common Prayer, p.355

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 IN EXCELSIS

Setting: William Mathias


1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -
 might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
 praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,
 on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you




take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;




5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -




ceive our prayer. 6. For




you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the



Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of



God the Fa - ther. A - men.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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.

THE LESSONS

All sit

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

All the people of Israel gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and

worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 19

The heavens declare the glory of God, *
and the firmament shows his handiwork.

One day tells its tale to another, *
and one night imparts knowledge to another.

Although they have no words or language, *
and their voices are not heard,

Read responsively by half verse

Their sound has gone out into all lands, *
and their message to the ends of the world.

In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; *
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; *
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; *
the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.

The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; *
the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; *
the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, *
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.

By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward.

Who can tell how often he offends? *
cleanse me from my secret faults.

Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; *
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, *
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. heart.

1 Corinthians 12:12-31

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body – Jews or Greeks, slaves or free – and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members,

yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of

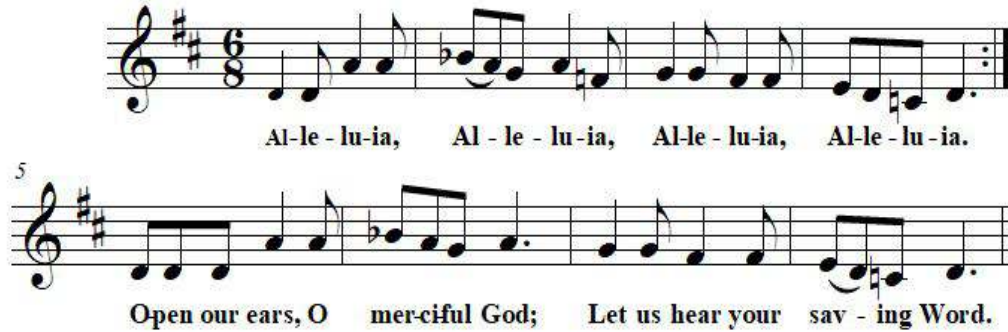
healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive

for the greater gifts.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

AT THE GRADUAL, Alleluia



Al-le - lu-ia, Al - le - lu-ia, Al-le - lu-ia, Al-le - lu-ia.

5
Open our ears, O merciful God; Let us hear your sav - ing Word.

Luke 4:14-21

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to

bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Susan Davidson

The Nicene Creed

All stand, as able

BCP, p. 358

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.

Prayers of the People

All kneel, as able

Form IV, BCP, p. 388

Let us pray for the election of a new Rector.
Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

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.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. George Episcopal Church, The Villages, and St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church, Titusville.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the bishops and clergy of The Episcopal – Anglican Province of Alexandria.

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

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.

Heavenly Father, watch over and protect our nation's military members and their families, especially, *Andrew, Brandon, Bryan, Caleb, Chase, Danielle, Eric, Geoffrey, Harry, Jack, Jay, John, Johnny, Kyle, Matthew B., Matthew M., Milton, Murray, Ricky, and Sarah.* *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

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.
Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

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. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

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.

We pray for our brothers and sisters who cannot be here with us today especially ***Barbara, Jan, Bryan, Lilian, and Frank.*** And for those on our weekly prayer list. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

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. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

God of peace and justice, we pray for all those who live under armed conflict in the Holy Land, Ukraine, Sudan, Iran and other places around the

world. We pray for those with power over war or peace and those commanded to fight; for wisdom, compassion and restraint to guide their decisions. We pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them. In the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. ***Amen.***

The celebrant adds a concluding collect.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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 Holy 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 Priest stands and says

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. ***Amen.***

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Announcements

All sit

Birthday and Anniversary Prayer

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

(Eucharistic Prayer B)

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At the Offertory, Anthem,

From the Rising of the Sun

F. A. Gore-Ouseley

... unto the going down of the same, my name shall be great among the gentiles; and in every place incense shall be offered up unto my name, for my name shall be great among the heathen. Thus saith the Lord! (Psalm 113:3)

Presentation Hymn, “A year of God’s favor”

Tune: ST. DENIO

A year of God's fa-vor Christ promised, and more: Good news to the pris-'ner, the weak and the poor. Re - cov-'ry of sense to the deaf and the blind, Full heal-ing for spi - rit, for bod - y and mind.

All things come of Thee, O Lord.
And of Thine own have we given Thee.

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 him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here the Celebrant adds a Proper Preface.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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.

Please kneel, as able

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

***We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;***

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters;

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take

through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, 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.

them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The usher will indicate when it is time for your row to come forward to the altar rail to receive Communion. If you wish to receive Communion in your pew, please let the usher know and it will be brought to you. When you go forward, an usher will indicate where to kneel at the rail, then hold your hands in front of you, one on top of the other, to receive the bread. Note that wine is by “intinction” only. No one sips from the common cup. If you wish to receive the wine, after the clergy places the bread in your hand, just hold it out for the chalice bearer, who will dip it in the wine and place it on your tongue. If you do not wish to receive the wine, simply consume the bread and cross your arms over your chest until the chalice bearer passes by, then return to your seat.

At the Distribution,
Voluntary

Andante con moto

A. R. Gaul

Hymn 321 "My God, thy table now is spread"

Tune: ROCKINGHAM

1. My God, thy ta - ble now is
2. O let thy ta - ble ho - nored
3. Drawn by thy quick - ening grace, O
4. Nor let thy spread - ing Gos - pel

spread, thy cup with love doth o - ver -
be, and fur - nished well with joy - ful
Lord, in count - less num - ber thy let them
rest till through the world thy truth has

flow; be all thy child - ren thi - ther
guests; and may each soul sal - va - tion
come and ga - ther from their Fa - ther's
run, till with this Bread shall all be

led, and let them thy sweet mer - cies know. __
see, that here its sa - cred pled - ges tastes.
board the Bread that lives light or be - yond the tomb. __
blessed who see the light or feel the sun. __

The Postcommunion Prayer

All kneel, as able

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Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory,

now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Hymn 539, "O Zion, haste"

Tune: Tidings

O Zi - on, haste, thy mis - sion high ful - fill - ing,
Pro - claim to ev - ery peo - ple, tongue, and na - tion
Send her - alds forth to bear the mes - sage glo - rious;
He comes a - gain! O Zi - on, ere thou meet him,

to tell to all the world that God is Light;
that God, in whom they live and move, is Love:
give of thy wealth to speed them on their way;
make known to ev - ery heart his sav - ing grace;

that he who made all na - tions is not will - ing
tell how he stooped to save his lost cre - a - tion,
pour out thy soul for them in prayer vic - to - rious
let none whom he hath ran - somed fail to greet him,

one soul should fail to know his love and might.
 and died on earth that all might live a - bove.
 till God shall bring his king - dom's joy - ful day.
 through thy ne - glect, un - fit to see his face.

Refrain

Pub - lish glad ti - dings: ti - dings of peace,

ti - dings of Je - sus, re - demp - tion and re - lease.

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Voluntary

ON TIDINGS

Karl Olson



THIS MORNING'S MUSIC

Like Watts' "Jesus shall reign," James Montgomery's "Hail to the Lord's anointed" is a free paraphrase of Psalm 72, but it keeps closer to the biblical text. It was introduced to the South Seas by a Moravian missionary, after having first been sung at Christmas, 1821, at a Moravian settlement in England. The righteous reign of the Lord offers aid to the poor and oppressed, and brings peace and prosperity to the nation. It ends with a vision of a universal and eternal reign' – 'His name shall stand forever.' That name is "Love" – a theme which Montgomery probably borrowed from the Wesleys, whom he admired.

Sir Frederick Arthur Gore Ouseley (1825-1889) was an English composer, organist and musicologist born in London. He was professor of music at Oxford from 1855 to 1889 and in 1856 he became vicar of St. Michael's College on the outskirts of Tenbury Wells. "From the rising of the sun" is one of his few works still in the repertory, but it is a staple of the Cathedral repertory.

While one of her children was ill with typhoid fever, Mrs. Mary Ann Thomson (1834-1923) started writing "O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling" with a tune in mind – but she wasn't satisfied with the chorus and didn't finish the hymn until three years later. Born in London, she married the librarian of the Free Library in Philadelphia, writing much religious poetry. The theme is "missions," with a call to "publish the glad tidings" to the world. (from Hymn Notes by Austin Lovelace)



Visitors and Guests: Welcome to St. John's! We hope you will stay after the service for an opportunity to chat. Snacks and beverages are provided in our Parish Hall. If you have questions about baptisms, weddings, membership, or to be included on our newsletter and mailing lists please email the Church Office at office@stjohnsmlb.org.

SIGN OUR VIRTUAL GUEST BOOK! Scan the QR code at right or visit stjohnsmlb.org and click on Virtual Guest Book to let us know you were here and pass on any comments.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS AND SANCTUARY CANDLE may be given in memory of a loved one, or to commemorate some occasion. Contact the church office at office@stjohnsmlb.org or 321-254-3365.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Ashley Campbell.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK: None known.

NEXT SUNDAY, FEB. 2, is the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Temple, also called CANDLEMAS. The service will begin with a candlelight procession from the Parish Hall (for those who are able) to the church. We will try to make it possible for those in the church to hear. This is a rare occasion to celebrate this important Feast on a Sunday - please join us!

ADULT & YOUTH CHRISTIAN FORMATION: 9:00 a.m., Adults meet in the Parish Hall; and begin a study of Women in the Bible. Children meet in the chapel. All are welcome!

BOOK AND BIBLE STUDY: will meet on Thursdays, at noon in the Interim Rector's office, to read and discuss a work of fiction which is based on the Bible. The book is *Christ the Lord: Out of Egypt* by Ann Rice. To understand the story, we will read from the Biblical Gospels and from the Gospel of James and other non-biblical sources.

TGIF: Men's Bible study, Fridays, 8 a.m., at La Loma Coney Island, 1180 Aurora Rd, Melbourne, 32935. 321-254-8559.

A PRAYER REQUEST BOX is available from the St. John's Order of the Daughters of the King in the Sanctuary beside the Daughters' banner. We have taken a vow to pray for others and we take this vow seriously. The prayers are strictly confidential therefore if you need Mother Susan to be aware of an illness or personal situation you will need to contact her directly.

THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING will take place TODAY, following the service. Brunch provided and everyone is encouraged to attend. There are no elections this year. This is a time to hear reports from various organizations, including the Search Committee, and the 2025 Budget, which by then will have been approved by the Vestry.

Brunch Provided during the Annual Meeting. The Daughters will provide the entree and parishioners are encouraged to bring a covered dish, or dessert to share.

LOANING OF CHURCH ITEMS: If you would like to borrow tables, chairs, cribs, linens, etc. please speak with Kathy Oas, Sr. Warden, kmoas40@gmail.com or Paul Mitz, Jr. Warden. Text or phone Paul at : 321-288-4050.

FAMILY PROMISE: One of the primary needs a support church fills is to provide meals for the families while they are sheltered in the hotels. If you do have any questions, feel free to email, text or call Ben at: ben.kendall@gmail.com, 832-229-0142.

FOOD PANTRY: Remember the Wholeness to Freedom Food Pantry and donate packaged, or canned goods. They are always appreciative and a basket is in the Sanctuary if you would like to help.

DONATE TO ST. JOHN'S ONLINE! You can now make a safe and convenient donation to St. John's via PayPal. Scan the QR code at right or visit stjohnsmlb.org and click on Donate Now!



THE STEWARDSHIP TEAM: If you haven't completed your pledge card, it's not too late and still okay to turn it in. Pledge packets are available at the back of the church. For those who have requested Pledge envelopes they are available in the Parish Hall. Thanks again for participating in our 2025 campaign.

ST. JOHN'S OUTREACH FOCUS this month is the

Clergy Discretionary Fund. This Outreach fund provides bus passes and gift cards throughout the year to people in need, making their lives a little easier. Please be generous in your support for this worthy cause. Contributions marked for Outreach in January will go directly to the Clergy Discretionary Fund.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Malachi 3:1-4, Hebrews 2:14-18, Luke 2:22-40, Psalm 84. To find all the lessons visit lectionarypage.net and click on the date.



You are invited to join a community of women who believe in the power of prayer, service to others, and the sharing of the gospel to expand the Kingdom of God. You can find out more about the DOK by contacting Sallie Razor at 859-585-5836, srazor@bellsouth.net; or Sarah Kendall, at 702-203-6093, 537sarah@gmail.com

SUNDAY MINISTRIES

	January 26	February 2	February 9	February 16
Greeters	A. Weeks	A. Weeks A. Lacy	A. Weeks B. Rincones	A. Weeks J. Miller
Ushers	J. Bond L. Miller	B. Chernault J. Miller	A. & J. Lacy	J. & J. McLaughlin
LEM	J. Hamilton	R. Huffman	J. Bond	M. Salmon
Altar Guild	K. Oas	L. Bennett	M. Salmon	K. Oas
Daughter	J. Miller	T. Chernault	L. Miller	L. Fletcher
Counter	K. Wilson	K. Wilson	K. Wilson	K. Wilson
AV	B. Kendall V. Mitz	B. Kendall V. Mitz	B. Kendall V. Mitz	B. Kendall V. Mitz

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Sun (1/26) Christian Formation, 9:00 a.m. Adults in the Parish Hall; Youth in the Chapel.
Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 10 a.m., also livestream.
Parish Annual Meeting, after the service. Brunch will be served.
Young People's AA, 4:00 p.m., Parish Hall.

Mon (1/27) AA, Parish Hall, 5:30 p.m.

Tues (1/28) Boy Scouts, 5:30 p.m., Parish Hall.

Wed (1/29) Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 p.m. in the Choir Loft.

Thur (1/30) Staff Meeting 9:00 a.m.
Bible Study, 12 noon, Interim Rector's Office.
Evening Prayer, 6:00 p.m.
AA Ladies Group, 6:30 p.m., Parish Hall.

Fri (1/31) TGIF, Men's Bible Study. La Loma Coney Island, 1180 Aurora Rd, Melbourne, 32935.

Sun (2/2) Christian Formation, 9:00 a.m. Adults in the Parish Hall; Youth in the Chapel.
CANDLEMAS, Rite II, 10 a.m., also livestream. Those who are able will join the
Procession with candles, beginning in the Parish Hall.

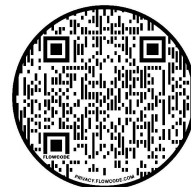
THE OFFICE will be open on Thursdays only. During the rest of the week please email the office at office@stjohnsmlb.org.

All Zoom and Livestream links are available by visiting stjohnsmlb.org > Parish Life > Calendar, then clicking on the event. Or you may email office@stjohnsmlb.org and we will send you the link.

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Amy Lacy, Secretary

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Jack Kenworthy, Amy Lacy, Julie Miller

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