St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Canton, Ohio

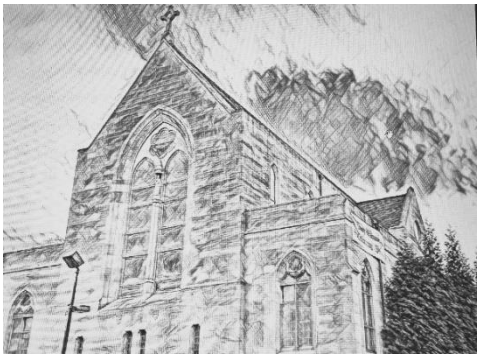
Sunday, January 8, 2023

The Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Holy Eucharist Rite II

Welcome to St. Paul's

Online and in-person services begin with music at 10:25 a.m.



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Our mission

St. Paul's is a radically welcoming Episcopal community in downtown Canton, grounded in faith, called by God's Love to minister to the world.

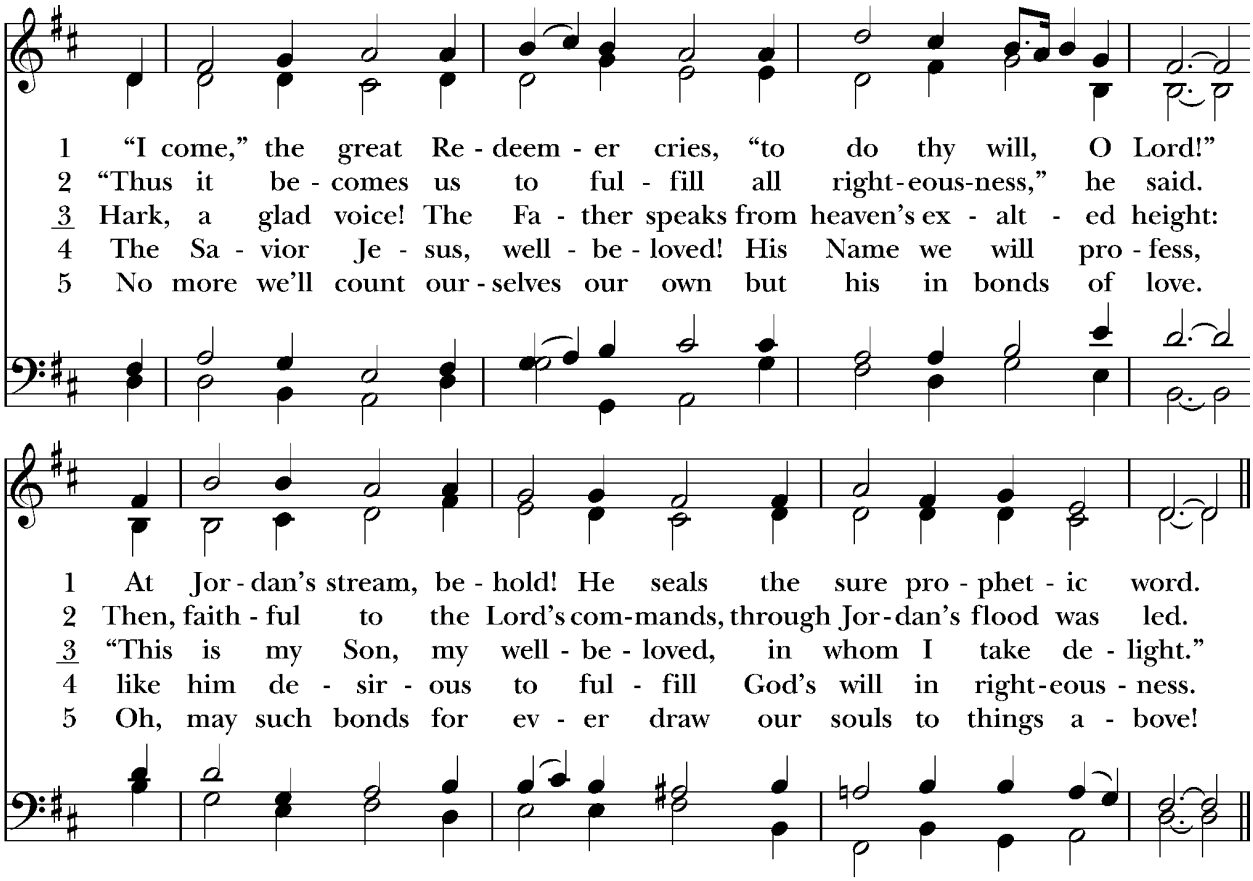
First Sunday after the Epiphany
The Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ
Holy Eucharist Rite II

Readings and Psalm
First Lesson: Isaiah 42:1-9
Psalm: Psalm 29
Second Lesson: Acts 10:34-43
Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17

Prelude: *This Endris Nyght* by Healey Willan

The Word of God

ENTRANCE HYMN: ***"I Come, " The Great Redeemer Cries"***
(This Endris Nyght) (H 116)



OPENING ACCLAMATION (BCP p. 355)

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY (BCP 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.

SONG OF PRAISE: "*Glory to God" (Canticle 20) (Peruvian)* (MHSO 11)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP p. 357)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant 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 Lessons

FIRST READING: Isaiah 42:1-9

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

1 "Here is my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my spirit upon him;
he will bring forth justice to the nations.
2 He will not cry or lift up his voice,
or make it heard in the street;
3 a bruised reed he will not break,
and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;
he will faithfully bring forth justice.
4 He will not grow faint or be crushed
until he has established justice in the earth;
and the coastlands wait for his teaching."

5 Thus says God, the LORD,
who created the heavens and stretched them out,
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,
who gives breath to the people upon it
and spirit to those who walk in it:
6 "I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness,
I have taken you by the hand and kept you;

I have given you as a covenant to the people,
a light to the nations,
7 to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.
8 I am the LORD, that is my name;
my glory I give to no other,
nor my praise to idols.
9 See, the former things have come to pass,
and new things I now declare;
before they spring forth,
I tell you of them."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 29

Remain seated.

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 forevermore.
11 The LORD shall give strength to his people; *
the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

SECOND READING: Acts 10:34-43

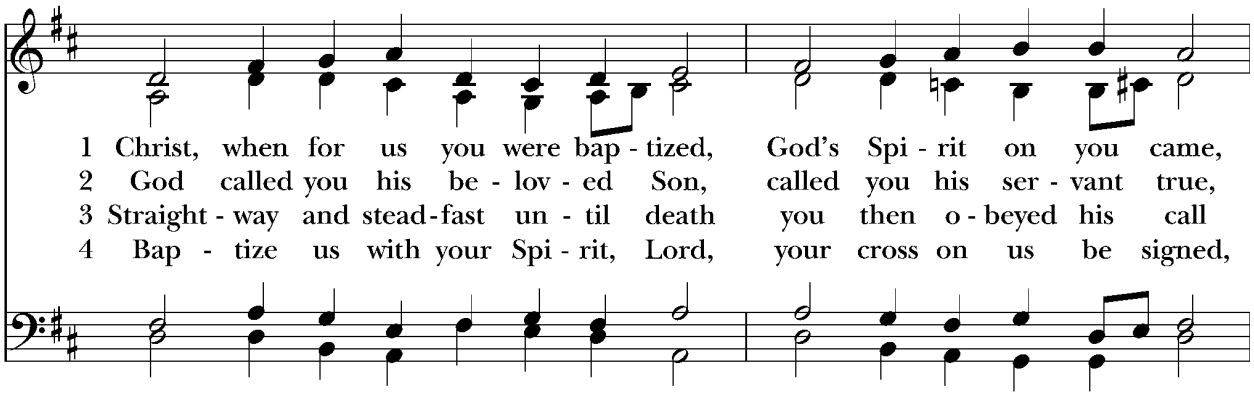
Remain seated.

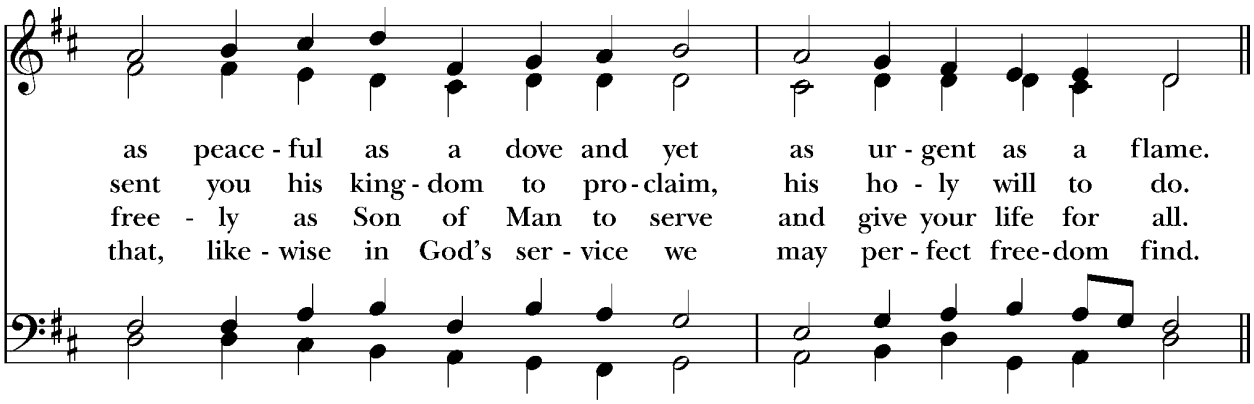
A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

34 Peter began to speak to [Cornelius and the other Gentiles]: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all.
That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN: *“Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized” (Caithness)*
(H 121) *All stand.*





GOSPEL: Matthew 3:13-17

All stand.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

13 Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. 14 John would
have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?"
15 But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to
fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. 16 And when Jesus had been baptized,
just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he
saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. 17 And a voice
from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON: *Rev. Percy Grant*

Celebrant Let us affirm our faith with the words of the Nicene Creed

THE CREED

All stand.

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.

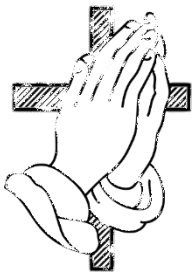
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE



Deacon: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Leader: For all people in their daily life and work;

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

For our president; local elected officials; for this community, the nation, and 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 ill, especially Vicky Simpkins, Pamela Newberry, Ron Neidig, Jeff Nowlin, and David Swope, and 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; in the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for the Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma). In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for the Bishops of Ohio, present and retired (see bulletin for names)
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop; for Robin our Deacon; for Percy our assisting clergy and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

YOUR INTERCESSIONS AND THANKSGIVINGS ARE INVITED

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We pray for those celebrating birthdays or anniversaries this week. Especially Natalie Sutek, Sabrina Patterson, and Ed and Carol Sutek. 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.

COLLECT FOR PEACE

Said by all

Grant, O God that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatred cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

The People sit, stand or kneel.

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant: 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

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

The people greet each other in the name of the Lord

Church Announcements

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

OFFERTORY HYMN: ***"Wade in the Water" (LEVAS 143)***

The Great Thanksgiving

(Please remain standing)

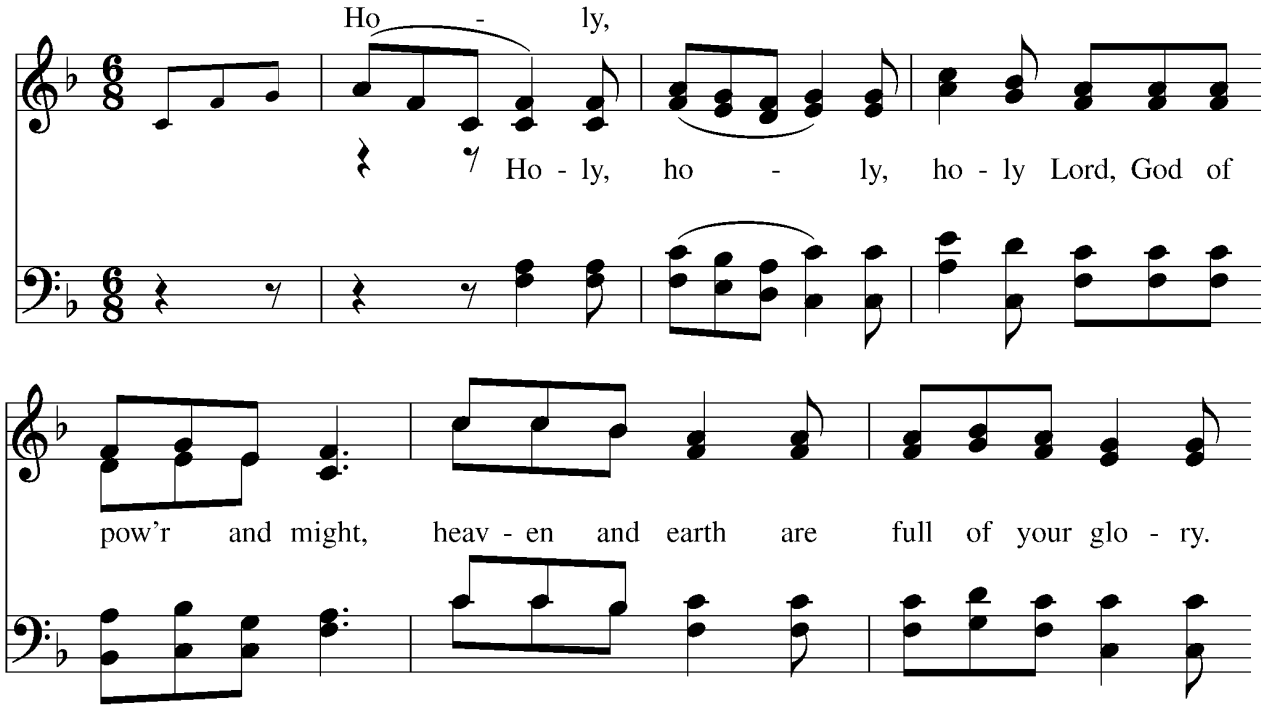
Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

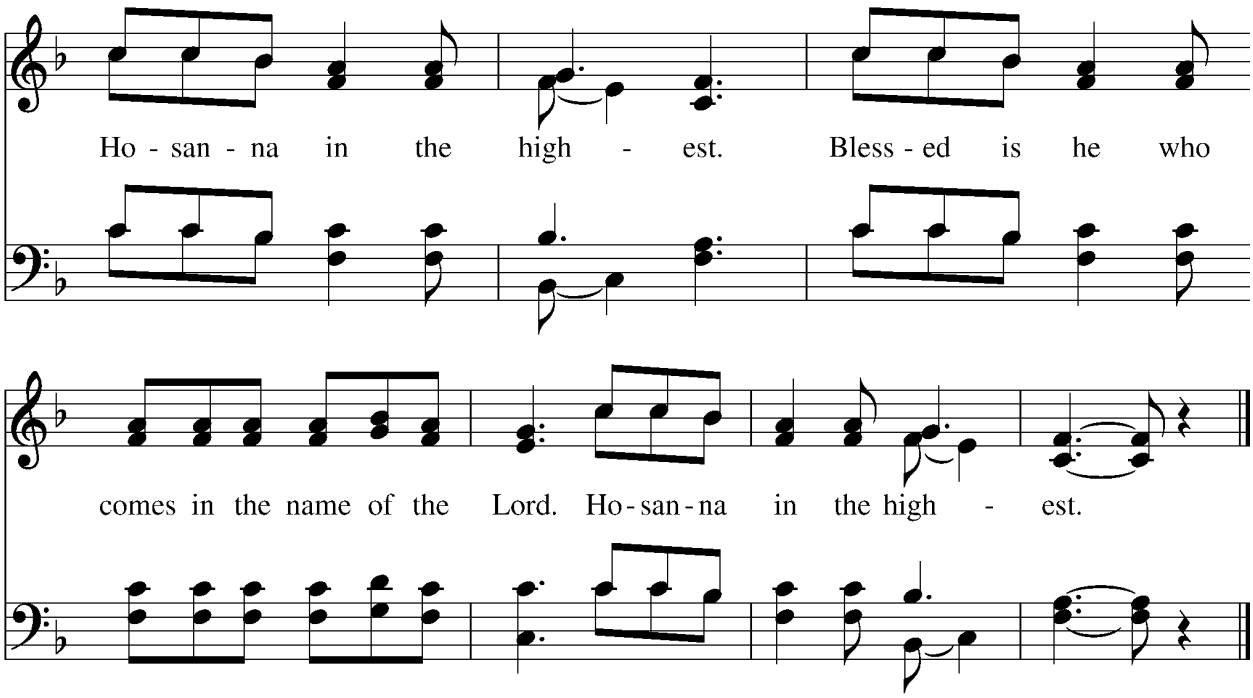
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

SANCTUS: ***"Holy, Holy, Holy" (Pulkingham) (Freedom Mass) WLP 857***





Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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, forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

FRACTION ANTHEM: "Be Known to Us" WLP #875

known to us, Lord Je - sus,
ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus
in the break - ing of the
Cantor or Choir
bread. One bod - y are we, al - le - lu - ia, for though
man - y we share one bread.
Congregation
Be known to us, Lord
The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord
Je - sus,
Je - sus
in the break - ing of the bread.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please tell the clergy if you need gluten-free bread. If you come to the communion station for a blessing instead, please cross your arms on your chest. If you are interested in being baptized, please contact the Deacon of the parish.

COMMUNION HYMN: *"My Heart Sings Out with Joyful Praise" (Marias Lovsäng) (MHSO 60)*

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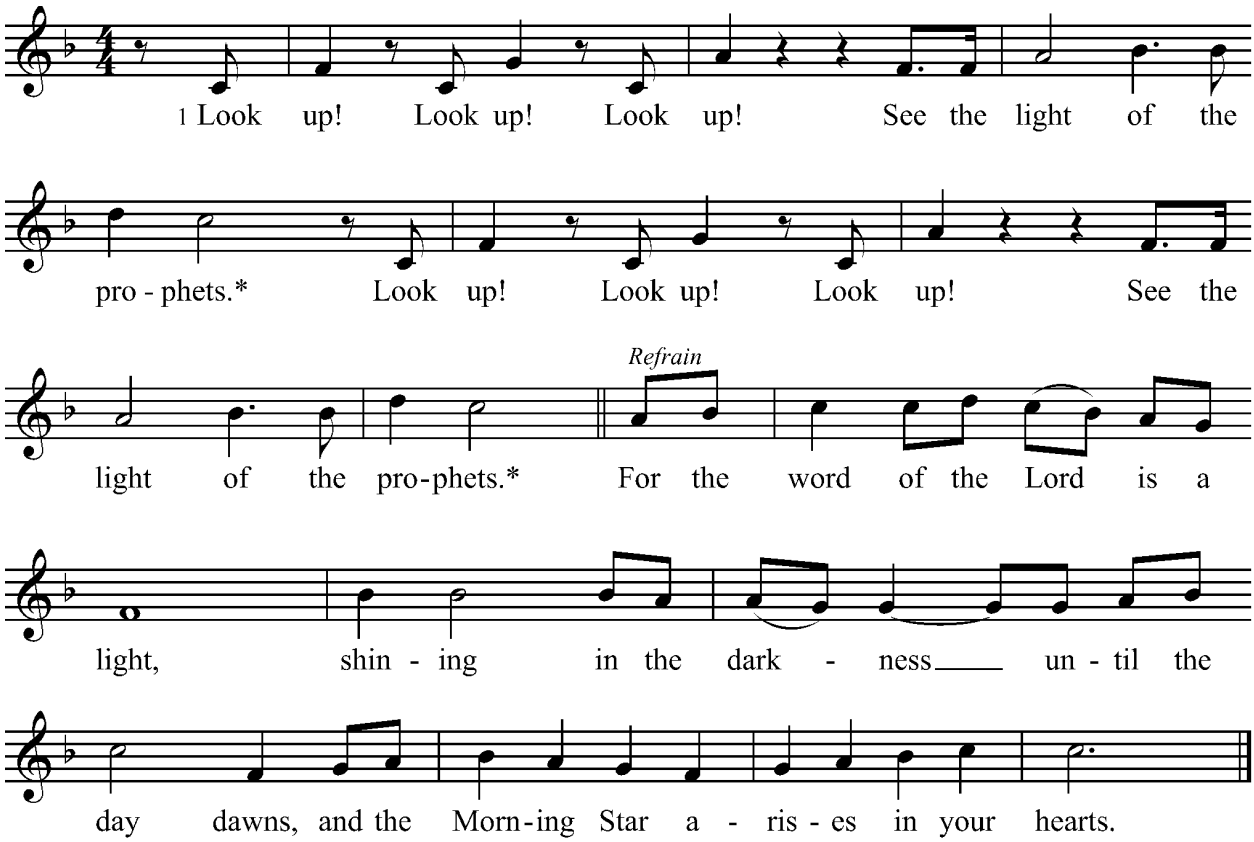
POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (EOW p. 70)
Let us pray together

Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING (BCP p. 366)
The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN: *"Look Up!" (MHSO 73)*



**2 angels, 3 star, 4 Jesus*

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DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: *From Heaven Above to Earth I Come* by Johann Pachelbel

Participants in Today's Liturgy:

Deacon-in-Charge:	The Rev. Dr. Robin Woodberry
Guest Priest:	The Rev. Percy Grant
Director of Music:	Edward T. Grimes
Lector:	Demetrius Carrothers
Eucharistic Minister:	Karl Roshong
Crucifer:	Karl Roshong
Thurifer:	Douglas Colmery
Greeters:	David Lewis
Camera/Audio:	David Lewis, David Rotthoff
Altar Guild:	Shirley Brown, Cara Warren
Torch Bearers:	Nancy Suba, Cara Warren
Counters:	Demetrius Carrothers, David Rotthoff

Announcements:

TODAY! Immediately following the service, a special Coffee hour will be held. All are welcome to join us.

Also, TODAY at 5:00p, St. Paul's choir, and its members will participate in an Epiphany Lessons & Carols Service @ St. Timothy's Episcopal, 226 3rd Street SE, Massillon, OH, 44646

Monday, January 9th
Communications meeting will be held at 6:00p

Wednesday Small Group Study
Have resumed and meet at 10:00 a.m. in the library.

Thursday Choir Rehearsal
Choir rehearsal is held on Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. Consider "making a joyful noise unto the Lord" and join our great choir!! All are welcome!

Social Justice Book Club
We are currently reading, "Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass." We meet every 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. The next gathering is on January 10th. You can join us either here in the Guild Hall or via Zoom.

Upcoming Commemorations

Harriet Bedell, Deaconess and Missionary, 1969
Sunday, January 8, 2023

Julia Chester Emery, Lay Leader and Missionary, 1922
Monday, January 9, 2023

William Laud, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1645
Tuesday, January 10, 2023

Aelred of Rievaulx, Abbot, 1167
Thursday, January 12, 2023

Hilary of Poitiers, Bishop, 367
Friday, January 13, 2023

1/8/2023: In the Diocese of Ohio, the Bishops of Ohio, present and retired.

The Rt. Rev. Mark Hollingsworth Jr., Eleventh Bishop of Ohio

The Rev. Anne B. Jolly, Bishop Coadjutor-elect

The Rt. Rev. J. Clark Grew II, Retired, Tenth Bishop of Ohio

The Rt. Rev. William D. Persell, Retired Bishop, Diocese of Chicago

The Rt. Rev. Arthur B. Williams Jr., Retired Bishop Suffragan, Diocese of Ohio

Save the Date: January 22, 2023
Annual Church Meeting

All ministries are asked to get their reports into the Church Office
no later than January 14th.

January 2023 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Jan 8 **10:30 am Service** **5:00 pm Lessons & Carols @ St. Timothy's**	**Jan 9** **6 pm** **Communications** **Zoom**	**Jan 10** **7 pm** **Social Justice Book Group**	**Jan 11** **10 am** **Small Group** **Library** **6 pm Finance** **Zoom**	**Jan 12** **7 pm** **Choir Rehearsal** **7 pm AA** **(Blue Room)**	**Jan 13** **6 pm** **Vestry Mtg**	**Jan 14** **7 pm AA** **(Library)** **7:30 pm** **NA** **(Cmty Rm)**
Jan 15 **10:30 am Service** **2:00 pm Balalaika Orchestra**	**Jan 16** **12:00p, Worship Service** **2-4p, Community Service Projects** **5:30p Courageous Conversation Kickoff**	**Jan 17**	**Jan 18** **Library** **6 pm Finance** **Zoom**	**Jan 19** **7 pm** **Choir Rehearsal** **7 pm AA** **(Blue Room)**	**Jan 20**	**Jan 21** **7 pm AA** **(Library)** **7:30 pm** **NA** **(Cmty Rm)**
Jan 22 **10:30 am Service** **12 noon Church Annual Meeting**	**Jan 23**	**Jan 24** **7 pm** **Social Justice Book Group**	**Jan 25** **10 am** **Small Group** **Library** **7 pm** **Safety/Security Mtg. Zoom**	**Jan 26** **7 pm** **Choir Rehearsal** **7 pm AA** **(Blue Room)**	**Jan 27** **Epiphany**	**Jan 28** **11 am HOT Lunch** **7 pm AA** **(Library)** **7:30 pm** **NA** **(Cmty Rm)**

January Birthdays

3rd- Rick Senften
5th- Sally Davis
11th- Natalie Sutek
12th- Sabrina Patterson
15th- Owen Valentine
17th- Bethany Sutek
18th- Maureen Wood Major
19th- Nancy Reinbold
21st David Rotthoff
24th- Megan Demastus
26th- Wyatt Marcum
27th- Mary Lou Stauffer
28th- Ed Denning
29th- Cathi Johanning
30th- Cayson Schmidt
31st- Barbara Anderson

Happy Anniversary

Ed & Carol Sutek: 10th
Richard & Nancy Reinbold: 25th

January is National Blood Donor Month

Help Save Lives during National Blood Donor Month

January marks the 52nd anniversary of National Blood Donor Month – a time to recognize the importance of giving blood and platelets while celebrating the lifesaving impact of those who roll up a sleeve to help patients in need. It is also a time to encourage new and lapsed donors to resolve to give blood during one of the most difficult times to maintain a sufficient blood supply – the winter months.

This year's National Blood Donor Month comes as the nation's blood supply has dipped to concerning levels and could force hospitals to delay essential blood and platelet transfusions. Blood donors of all blood types – particularly type O blood, the blood group hospitals need most – are needed now to give blood or platelets to help meet daily hospital demands.

In thanks for helping to meet the immediate need for blood and platelets, the Red Cross is teaming up with the NFL to offer one lucky winner a trip package for two to the 2022 Super Bowl LVI in Los Angeles. Those who present to give blood, platelets or plasma January 1-31, 2022 will automatically be entered for a chance to win. As an extra thank you, those who come to give in January will also automatically be entered to win the Big Game at Home package which includes a home theater package. Terms apply. Visit RedCrossBlood.org/SuperBowl.

Donors are urged to schedule an appointment now by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). There is no blood donation waiting period for those who have received a flu shot or a Moderna, Pfizer, or Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine or booster, so long as they are symptom-free.

Each Red Cross blood drive and donation center follows the highest standards of safety and infection control. Additional precautions – including face masks for donors and staff, regardless of vaccination status – have been implemented to help protect the health of all those in attendance. Donors are asked to schedule an appointment prior to arriving at the Drive. https://www.redcross.org/about-us/news-and-events/news/2021/help-save-lives-during-national-blood-donor-month.html

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Music Begins at 10:25 am. The services are also live-streamed on Facebook and YouTube.

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Sermon Notes