

Saint Barnabas Episcopal Church



**A SERVICE OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST
The Feast of the Epiphany
January 7, 2024
10:00 a.m.**

Welcome to St. Barnabas

A Community of Encouragement

*Our mission is to seek and encourage deeper relationships with God
and our neighbors, especially through vibrant and spirit-inspired
ministries in our communities.*

Service Participants

Bob Krone, Lisa Elmendorf, & Piet Elmendorf — Lay Eucharistic Ministers
Nancy and David Batchelder, Deacon Pam Fairley — Altar Guild
Julia Leary and John Nolan — Lectors
Kathy Forrester — Altar Bread Baker
Frank Hutson & Brian Blunt — Ushers
Todd & Carolyn Nicholson — Greeters
Bruce Perlson — Technology
Laura Leigh Hahn — Vestry Person of the Day

The Season of Epiphany

We have entered the season of Epiphany, a time when the church celebrates Jesus as the revelation (or manifestation) of God. The journey to find God is different for everyone. Our journeys all start in different places, for some like the magi it begins following a wandering star, for some it is like a baptism, but it could just as easily happen at the fishing docks, or at dinner or hiking in nature. Whatever the path, all the journeys have the same ending point – Jesus the Anointed One. Epiphany commissions us to make God known in our time. May God be revealed to you in this season.

It is our hope and prayer that your life and relationship with God will be enriched by your worship with us today. If you are visiting with us today and would like to learn more about Saint Barnabas, we encourage you to fill out a yellow card in the pew (or online at <https://www.st-barnabas.org/newcomers>) and let us know how we can stay in touch with you. We look forward to getting to know you.

Sing with Us! Everything you need for worship is included in the bulletin. Music is found in the blue 1982 Hymnal or the green Wonder Love and Praise Hymnal (WLP).

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PRELUDE — Adagio in b minor

*JS Bach
James Braid, Violin*

OPENING HYMN 124 — What Star is This, with Beams so Bright?

Puer nobis

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

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.**

BAPTISMAL ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: There is one body and one Spirit;

People: **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

Celebrant: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People: **One God and Father of all.**

THE COLLECT

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The people are seated for the lessons and psalm.

THE FIRST LESSON— Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice,

because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

***People:* Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 72:1-7,10-14

- 1 Give the King your justice, O God, *
and your righteousness to the King's Son;
- 2 That he may rule your people righteously *
and the poor with justice;
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *
and the little hills bring righteousness.
- 4 He shall defend the needy among the people; *
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *
from one generation to another.
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, *
like showers that water the earth.
- 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; *
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
- 10 The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute, *
and the kings of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.
- 11 All kings shall bow down before him, *
and all the nations do him service.
- 12 For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress, *
and the oppressed who has no helper.
- 13 He shall have pity on the lowly and poor; *
he shall preserve the lives of the needy.
- 14 He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, *
and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

THE SECOND LESSON— Ephesians 3:1-12

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles-- for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

***People:* Thanks be to God.**

The people stand and remain standing for the Gospel.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 76 — On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry

Winchester New

THE GOSPEL— Matthew 2:1-12

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

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

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

‘And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;

for from you shall come a ruler
who is to shepherd my people Israel."

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. Canon Jane Gerdson

THE BAPTISMAL RITE

Holy Baptism is full initiation by water and the Holy Spirit into Christ's Body, the Church. We are adopted into God's family and reminded that nothing can separate us from God's love in Christ Jesus.

CANDIDATE FOR BAPTISM

Graham Eli Dauner - Child of Andy and Emily Dauner
Grandchild of Chris and Mary Beth Dauner

THE PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

The Congregations remains seated during the presentation.

Celebrant: The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.
Presenters: I present Graham to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Celebrant then asks the Parents and Godparents:

Celebrant: Will you be responsible for seeing that Graham is brought up in the Christian faith and life and will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents: I will, with God's help.

Question: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Question: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Question: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God:

Answer: I renounce them.

Question: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior:

Answer: I do.

Question: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer: I do.

Question: Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer: I do.

All stand, as able. The Celebrant addresses the entire Congregation:

Celebrant: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this child in their life in Christ?

***People:* We will.**

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Celebrant: Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father:

***People:* I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant: 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.**

Celebrant: 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 life everlasting.**

Celebrant: 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.**

Celebrant: 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.**

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
People: **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People: **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
I will, with God's help.

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATE

Let us now pray for Graham, who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Intercessor: Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Open his heart to your grace and truth.
People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Send him into the world in witness to your love.
People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Then the Celebrant says:

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

THE THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

***People:* And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

The Celebrant blesses the water.

THE BAPTISM

The candidate is baptized in the name of the Trinity.

Graham, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The candidate is marked with chrism, an oil blessed by the Bishop for use at Baptism.

You are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. **Amen.**

A candle is lit from the Paschal Candle and is given to the newly baptized as a symbol of our Baptismal Ministry to carry the light of Christ into the world.

Receive the light of Christ.

Let us pray,

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

THE WELCOME

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The parents and sponsors return to their seats.

BAPTISMAL SPRINKLING

The Congregation is sprinkled with baptismal water as a sign and reminder of our Baptism.

THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

***People:* And also with you.**

The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and are seated.

The Welcome and Offertory Sentence

Birthdays and Anniversaries

OFFERTORY ANTHEM — On This Day

*Medieval Carol
arr. Mark Schweizer*

THE PRESENTATION HYMN — 72 vs. 4

Richmond

The people stand to sing the hymn and remain standing for the Great Thanksgiving

**Our glad hosannas, Prince of Peace,
thy welcome shall proclaim;
and heaven's eternal arches ring
with thy beloved Name.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive communion. Please come forward to one of the communion stations to receive the bread, wine, or a blessing. You may receive wine by drinking from the chalice or by intinction (dipping) the bread in the chalice. The gold chalices are for intinction, and the silver chalice in the center is for those who wish to drink from the chalice. You may also receive just the bread. The full grace of the sacrament is received with only the bread.

Gluten-free wafers are available.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Book of Common Prayer: Eucharist B

The People 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 God thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant continues:

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 to our Lord.

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

SANCTUS S124

**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.**

The Celebrant continues:

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 Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son.

For in these last days you sent Jesus 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 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 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; 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 forever. **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, for ever and ever.
Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD S161

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All who seek God are welcome at Christ's table.

COMMUNION HYMN 133 — O Light of Light, Love Given Birth

Elmhurst

COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant and People:

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and
singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

The Celebrant blesses the congregation.

All respond: Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 135 — Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

Salzburg

THE DISMISSAL

The Deacon dismisses the people.

People: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Michael Chertock