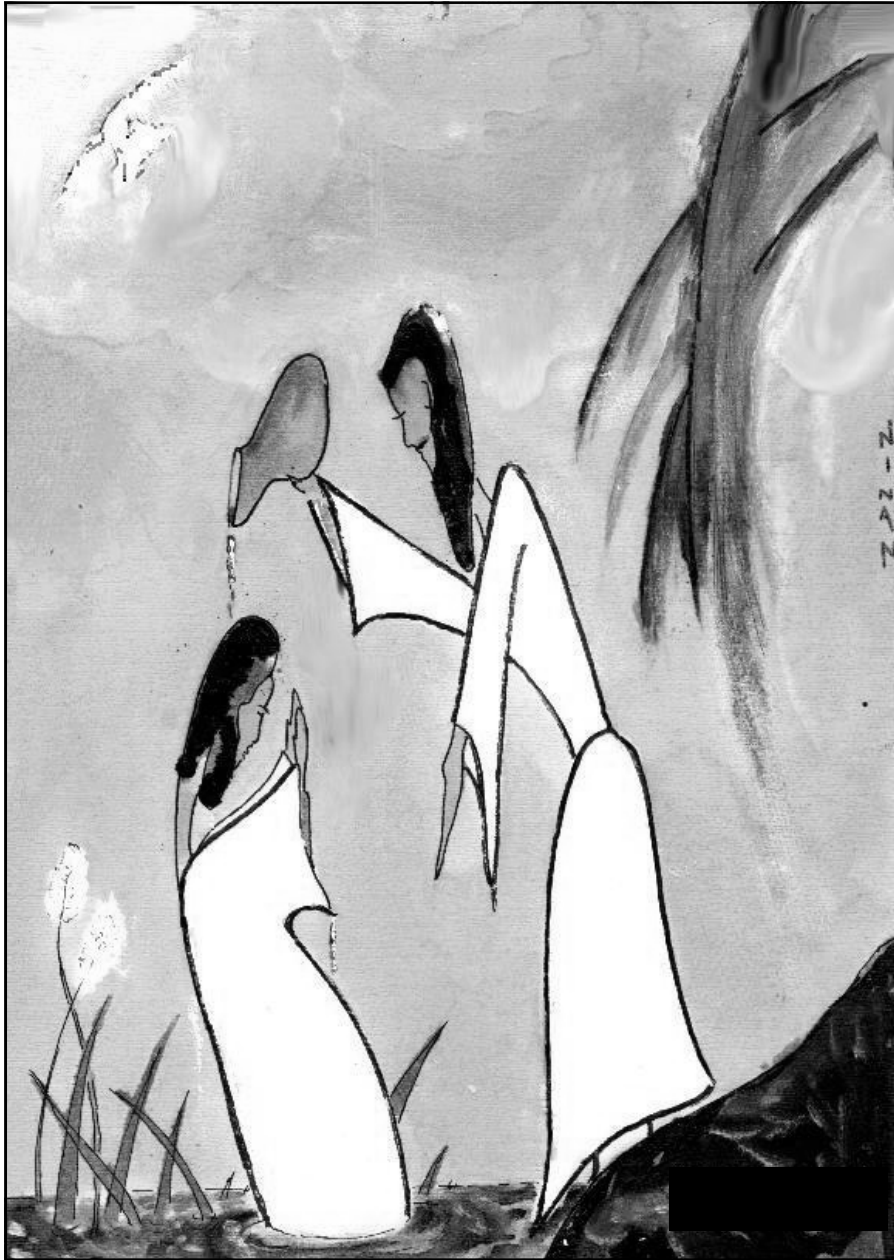


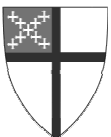
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**January 13, 2018**

The First Sunday after the Epiphany

The Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 8:00 am



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# Welcome

Welcome to our visitors. Please sign-in on the guest iPad or connection card at the greeter's table so we can get to know you.

*The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God by:  
Liza Blaney & Dan Putler, in celebration of 30 years of marriage*

*Please keep the following people in your prayers: Do you need prayers? Email: [prayers@saintjudes.org](mailto:prayers@saintjudes.org)*

*For those who have died and the ones who loved them: Kwang Lin (Peter Lin's father)*

**\*Those serving today:**

*Clergy: Wilma Jakobsen ([wilma@saintjudes.org](mailto:wilma@saintjudes.org)), Sarah Lapenta-H ([sarah@saintjudes.org](mailto:sarah@saintjudes.org)), Bruce Bramlett ([bruce@saintjudes.org](mailto:bruce@saintjudes.org))*

*Altar Guild: Jill Batterson, Linda Imura*

*Bread Baker: Peter Corless*

*Chalice Bearers: Carolyn Bowker, Noriko Kunimi*

*Coffee Host: Nick Harrah, Karen Leasure*

*Greeters: Chris & Barbara Creed*

*Lay Eucharistic Visitors: Susan Isetorp*

*Lay Reader: Mary Stiles*

***\*subject to last minute changes with apologies for errors that occur during the process of publication***

Our liturgy at St Jude's is taken from the Episcopal Book of Common Prayer and the Enriching our Worship series, authorized for use in our diocese by Bishop Mary Gray-Reeves. The prayer of meditation found on the inside cover, prayers of the people and the blessing are drawn from these and other sources, including the New Zealand Book of Common Prayer, Feasting on the Word Worship Companion: Liturgies for Year C, edited by Kimberley Bracken Long, and Worship for All Seasons, edited by Thomas Harding.

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Welcome

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

Hymn: "Lead Me, Guide Me"

**LEVAS 194**

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Arise! Shine! For your light has come!

**People: The glory of the Lord has risen upon us! Amen.**

Collect for Purity

**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.**

Collect

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

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 Lesson: Isaiah 43:1-7

Now thus says the Lord, who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth—everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

After the lesson the reader says: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 29

- 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 The Lord 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 Sovereign for ever more.
- 11 The Lord shall give strength to the people; \* the Lord shall give the people the blessing of peace.

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

The Gospel: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Savior.

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

The Sermon

Bruce Bramlett

*(Silence is observed after the sermon for meditation or reflection)*

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

Nicene Creed

**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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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

Glorious God, you are more powerful and awesome than our words can describe. As Jesus embraced his mission in the waters of baptism, inspire us anew today to embrace our mission in the world, as we pray. Holy Spirit, **help us to follow your way of Love.**

We pray for the Church that we will persevere in being your hands, feet, and heart in the world. Holy Spirit, **help us to follow your way of Love.**

We pray for those in positions of power and authority that they will be convicted to work for justice and model mutual respect, including ... and those we name now... Holy Spirit, **help us to follow your way of Love.**

We pray for those who are suffering in body, mind, or spirit and those who are grieving, including ... and those we name now... Holy Spirit, **help us to follow your way of Love.**

We pray for those to whom we have said 'good-bye' and those who have died and their loved ones, including ... and those we name now... Holy Spirit, **help us to follow your way of Love.**

We also give thanks for the experiences of goodness, joy, and hope in our lives, including ... and those we name now... Holy Spirit, **help us to follow your way of Love.**

Glorious God, **immerse us in your grace and raise us to live our baptismal promises empowered by your Holy Spirit and the example of Christ our Lord in whose name we pray. Amen.**

#### Confession of Sin *(kneel as you are able)*

**All: 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.**

#### Absolution

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 *(Please stand and offer the Peace to those nearby.)*

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

**People: And also with you.**

#### Prayer for Healing *(sit or kneel as you are able)*

*Those who are unable to get to the altar rail are invited to stand in their places, and others around them are invited to raise a hand toward them during the prayer.*

**O God, the source of all health: So fill our hearts with faith in your love, that with calm expectancy we may make room for your power to possess us, and gracefully accept your healing; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Blessing for Celebrations *(sit or kneel as you are able)*

**Loving Creator, You are the source of life and the source of love. We thank you for all who celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, and special events today. Watch over them as their days increase, bless and guide them wherever they may be. May your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives, and may your love for the world shine through them and the deep relationships they cherish, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Ministry Highlight: Stephen Ministers

*This is a moment to recognize volunteers in this ministry and highlighting their work from the last year.*

### **The Holy Communion**

Offertory & Presentation

*(Please stand as the usher presents the gifts at the altar)*

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 our thanks and praise.**

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing. All you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we say with joy:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us. We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

**Dying, you destroyed our death.  
Rising, you restored our life.  
Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with blessed St. Jude and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

**All: Blessed are you now and for ever. Amen.**

And now as our Savior has taught us, in the language or version of our choice, we pray:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

Lord's Prayer in Chinese

我們在天上之父，願人都尊父的名為聖，願父的國降臨，願父的旨意行在地，如同在天。我們日用的飲食，求父今日賜給我們。又求饒恕我們的罪，如我們饒恕得罪我們的人。不叫我們遇見試探；拯救我們脫離凶惡。因為國度、權柄、榮耀，全是父的，從現在至到永遠。阿們。

Lord's Prayer in Spanish

**Padre nuestro que estás en los cielos, santificado sea tu nombre. Venganos tu Reino. Hágase tu voluntad, como en el cielo, así también en la tierra. El pan nuestro de cada día, dánoslo hoy. Perdónanos nuestras deudas, como también nosotros perdonamos a nuestros deudores. No nos metas en tentación, sino líbranos del mal, porque tuyo es el Reino, el poder y la gloria, por siempre. Amén**

Lord's Prayer in French

**Notre Père, qui es aux cieux, Que ton nom soit sanctifié, Que ton règne vienne, Que ta volonté soit faite sur la terre comme au ciel. Donne-nous aujourd'hui notre pain de ce jour. Pardonne-nous nos offenses Comme nous pardonnons aussi à ceux qui nous ont offensés. Et ne nous soumet pas à la tentation, mais délivre-nous du mal, car c'est à toi qu'appartiennent le règne, la puissance et la gloire, aux siècles des siècles. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All are welcome at the Lord's Table to receive Communion of bread and wine, or to receive a blessing. If you do not wish to receive the wine, or only want to receive a blessing, cross your arms in front of your chest when the priest comes to you. Gluten-free wafers are available, please ask the priest.*

Sending of Eucharistic Visitors (*please stand as you are able*)

In the name of Christ and this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts to those who cannot be with us today: (*names*) ...Let them know that they are in our prayers and that this is holy food for holy people. **We who are many are one Body because we share one bread, one cup.**

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray

**God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Blessing

God's blessing be with you, Christ's presence be with you, the Spirit's outpouring be with you, now and always. **Amen.**

Announcements

Closing Hymn: "*Wade in the Water*"

**LEVAS 143**

The Dismissal

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*You are invited to the Parish Hall for coffee and fellowship.*