

# ST. GEORGE'S ON-THE-HILL ANGLICAN CHURCH

## The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Sun, January 26, 2025, 10:30am Eucharist

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*The crèche (nursery) is downstairs and is attended by Renata (RECE). All babies and young children are welcome!*

### Welcome & Announcements

### THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

*We gather with song and prayer as the People of God*

#### Hymn: #419 Let All Creation Bless the Lord

PLEASE STAND

- 1 Let all creation bless the Lord,  
Till heaven with praise is ringing.  
Sun, moon, and stars, peal out a chord,  
Stir up the angels' singing.  
Sing, wind and rain! Sing, snow and sleet!  
Make music, day, night, cold, and heat:  
Exalt the God who made you.
- 2 All living things upon this earth,  
Green fertile hills and mountains,  
Sing to the God who gave you birth;  
Be joyful, springs and fountains.  
Lithe water-life, bright air-borne birds,  
Wild roving beasts, tame flocks and herds:  
Exalt the God who made you.
- 3 O men and women everywhere,  
Lift up a hymn of glory;  
All you who know God's steadfast care,  
Tell out salvation's story.  
No tongue be silent; sing your part,  
You humble souls and meek of heart;  
Exalt the God who made you.

#### The Apostolic Greeting & Collect for Purity

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Almighty God,

People: **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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: Song of Creation (Benedicite Omnia Opera)



1. All you works of the Lord glo-ri - fy the Lord,  
 2. All you ang - els of God glo-ri - fy the Lord,  
 3. Let the earth bless the Lord, glo-ri - fy the Lord,  
 4. Let the peo - ple of God glo-ri - fy the Lord,  
 5. God - the Fa - ther, we sing: glo-ri - fy the Lord,



In the fir - ma - ment, glo-ri - fy the Lord  
 Sun and moon and stars glo-ri - fy the Lord,  
 All you beasts of the wild glo-ri - fy the Lord,  
 All you ser - vants of God glo-ri - fy the Lord,  
 God the Son, we - ex - alt: glo-ri - fy the Lord,



Praise and mag - ni - fy, glo - ry fy the  
 Night and day bless the Lord, glo - ri - fy the  
 All you birds of the air glo - ri - fy the  
 All you hum - ble of heart glo - ri - fy the  
 God the Spi - rit, we praise: glo - ri - fy the



Lord, glo - ri - fy the Lord.  
 Lord, glo - ri - fy the Lord.  
 Lord, glo - ri - fy the Lord.  
 Lord, glo - ri - fy the Lord.  
 Lord, glo - ri - fy the Lord

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## The Prayer of the Day

### THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

*We read and respond to God's message in scripture*

PLEASE BE SEATED

**First Reading:** Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8

*Read by John Knowles*

*A Reading from the Book of Nehemiah.*

All the people 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 worshipped 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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)*

# Psalm 62:6-11

PLEASE REMAIN SEATED & JOIN IN SINGING

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Choir: For God alone my soul in silence waits; truly my hope, my hope is in him.  
He alone is my rock and salvation, my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.

People: **There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism;  
There is one God who is Father of all.**

Choir: In God is my safety and my honour: God is my strong rock and my refuge.  
Put your trust in him always, O People, pour out your hearts, for God is our refuge.

People: **There is one Lord . . .**

Choir: Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, even those of low estate cannot be trusted.  
On the scales they are lighter than a breath, all of them, of them together.

## Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-26

*Read by Janice Knowles*

*A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Church in Corinth.*

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 honourable we clothe with greater honour, 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 honour 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 honoured, all rejoice together with it.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)*

### Gospel Acclamation

PLEASE STAND

1. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

2. Glo - ry to you, Lord Je - sus Christ! Glo - ry to you, Lord Je - sus Christ!

3. Praise be to you, Lord Je - sus Christ! Praise be to you, Lord Je - sus Christ!

le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Je - sus Christ! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Je - sus Christ! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

### The Holy Gospel: Luke 4:14-21

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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

People: *(sing verse 2)* **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!**

Then 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 favour." 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."

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.  
People: *(sing verse 3)* **Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**  
**Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**  
**Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!**

Sermon: Fr. Andrew

*(After the sermon, please keep a period of silence for reflection.)*

## THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY BAPTISM

Presider: Blessed be God,  
People: **the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,**  
Presider: by whose great mercy we have been born anew to a living hope,  
All: **through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.**

### God's Call

*(The presider addresses those who are presenting the candidates)*

Presider: God is love. God gives us life. In Christ, God reaches out to us. In baptism, God calls us to respond. Do you accept this call?  
Presenters: **We hear and accept God's call to *Hudson Olly*. We ask for baptism.**  
Presider: Will you be responsible for seeing that *this child* you present is nurtured in the faith and life of the Christian community?  
Presenters: **I will, with God's help.**  
Presider: Will you by your prayers and example help *this child* to grow into the full stature of Christ?  
Presenters: **I will, with God's help.**

*(The presider addresses the rest of the congregation)*

Presider: God calls the Church to reflect Christ's glory, in baptism, to declare His new life, and to share in the fellowship and in mission. Do you accept this call?  
All: **We hear and accept God's call.**

### Turning to Christ

*(The presider addresses the presenters and candidates)*

Presider: The Christian life means turning away from evil and turning to Christ. Do you renounce evil?  
Presenters: **I renounce evil.**  
Presider: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept Him as your Saviour, putting your whole trust in His grace and love?  
Presenters: **I do.**

*(The presider addresses the congregation)*

Presider: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in his life in Christ?  
All: **We will.**

### Prayers for the Candidate(s)

*Led by John Knowles*

Celebrant: Let us now pray for *Hudson* who is to receive the sacrament of new birth.  
Leader: Deliver *him*, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.  
People: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

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

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

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

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

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

Leader: 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 for ever. **Amen.**

### **Thanksgiving over the Water**

*(The presider blesses the water)*

### **The Baptismal Covenant**

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

Presider: 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.**

Presider: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?  
**People:** **I believe in God the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Presider: 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.**

Presider: 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.**

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

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

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

Presider: Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?  
**People:** **I will, with God's help.**

(The congregation may be seated)

## The Baptism

Presider: I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

I sign you with the cross, and mark you as Christ's own for ever. **Amen.**

Bells:      People:

A - men, A - men! You have put on Christ this  
day, in Christ you have been bap-tised. Al - le - lu -  
ia, Al - le - lu - ia, A - men!

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## The Prayer after Baptism

PLEASE STAND

Presider: 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 to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

## The Giving of the Light

(The candidate receives a baptismal candle, lit from the Paschal candle)

Presider: Receive the light of Christ.

People: **Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.**

## The Peace

PLEASE STAND

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

People: **And also with you.**

(We encourage you to share peace with those around you as you are comfortable.)

## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

*We share God's banquet of love for this community of faith*

### Offertory Hymn: CP #35 Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters

PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

- 1 Wash, O God, our sons and daughters where your cleansing waters flow.  
Number them among your people, bless as Christ blessed long ago.  
Weave them garments bright and sparkling; compass them with love and light.  
Fill, anoint them; send your Spirit, holy dove and heart's delight.
- 2 We who bring them long for nurture; by your milk may we be fed.  
Let us join your feast, partaking cup of blessing, living bread.  
God, renew us; guide our footsteps; free from sin and all its snares,  
One with Christ in living, dying, by your Spirit, children, heirs.

- 3 O how deep your holy wisdom! Unimagined, all your ways!  
To your name be glory, honour! With our lives, we worship, praise!  
We your people stand before you, water-washed and Spirit-born.  
By your grace, our lives we offer. Recreate us; God, transform!

### Prayer Over the Gifts

#### Eucharistic Prayer

PLEASE STAND

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.**

*The Presiding Celebrant acclaims the life-giving power of God in the story of salvation and calls on us to join all creation in the song of the angels. We then sing verses 1-3 of the Sanctus as follows:*

(Sing in harmony)

1. Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God of pow'r and might!  
2. Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Glo - ry fills the heav'n and earth!  
3. Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Bless - ed is he who comes  
4. Glo-ry, glo - ry, glo - ry! Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!  
5. Glo-ry, glo - ry, glo - ry! Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Ho-san - na in the high - est!  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Ho-san - na in the high - est!  
in the name of the Lord, Ho-san - na in the high - est!  
Glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry! Ho-san - na in the high - est!  
Glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry! A - men, A - men!

*The Presiding Celebrant recounts God's continuing love in the history of humanity and in the sending of his son, Jesus Christ. We join Jesus as he celebrates his Last Supper and acclaim his giving of himself in the gifts of bread and wine. After the words over the cup and the elevation of the chalice, we sing:*

People: (verse 4) **Glory, glory, glory! Glory be to you, O Lord!**  
**Glory, glory, glory! Hosanna in the highest!**

*The Presiding Celebrant calls on the Holy Spirit to bless the gifts and strengthen us until we come to share the joys of eternity. We praise God's endless love and at the elevation of the bread and cup we sing:*



**People:** (verse 5) **Glory, glory, glory! Glory be to you, O Lord!**  
**Glory, glory, glory! Amen, amen!**

### Breaking of the Bread #1

**Presider:** "I am the bread of life," says the Lord. "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst."

**All:** **Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him!**

### Song for the Breaking of the Bread

1,2. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have  
mer - cy on us. 3. Lamb of God, you take a-way the  
sins of the world: grant us peace, grant us peace.

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**Presider:** The gifts of God for the people of God.

**All:** **Thanks be to God.**

### Communion

PLEASE BE SEATED

*All who seek God in Christ are welcome to receive the sacrament of holy communion.  
If you would prefer a blessing, simply fold your arms across your chest to indicate this.  
Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.*

**Music During Communion:** At the River

arr. R. W. White

### Prayer after Communion

PLEASE STAND

### Doxology

**Presider:** Glory to God,

**All:** **whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

### Blessing

### Closing Hymn: CP #427 All Beautiful the March of Days

PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

- 1 All beautiful the march of days as seasons come and go;  
The hand that shaped the rose hath wrought the crystal of the snow,  
Hath sent the hoary frost of heaven, the flowing waters sealed,  
And laid a silent loveliness on hill and wood and field.
- 2 O'er white expanses, sparkling pure, the radiant morns unfold;  
The solemn splendours of the night burn brighter through the cold;  
Life mounts in every throbbing vein, love deepens round the hearth,  
And clearer sounds the angel hymn, "Good will and peace on earth."

- 3 O thou, from whose unfathomed law the year in beauty flows,  
Thyself the vision passing by in crystal and in rose;  
Day unto day doth utter speech, and night to night proclaim  
In ever-changing words of light the wonder of thy name.

**Dismissal**

**Postlude:** Rondeau from “Sinfonies de Fanfares”

J. J. Mouret

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