

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

The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Sunday, January 18, 2026, 10:30am Holy Eucharist

Welcome & Announcements

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

We gather with song and prayer as the People of God

ProceSSIONal Hymn: #152 Let Folly Praise that Fancy Loves

PLEASE STAND

1. Let folly praise that fancy loves;
I praise and love that child
Whose heart no thought, whose tongue no word,
Whose hand no deed defiled.
I praise him most, I love him best;
All praise and love are his.
While him I love, in him I live,
And cannot live amiss.
2. Love's sweetest mark, laud's highest theme,
Our most desired light.
To love him life, to leave him death,
To live in him delight.
He mine by gift, I his by debt,
Thus each to other due:
First friend he was, best friend he is;
All times will try him true.
3. Though young, yet wise, though small, yet strong,
Though man, yet God he is;
As wise he knows, as strong he can,
As God he loves to bless.
His knowledge rules, his strength defends,
His love doth cherish all;
His birth our joy, his life our light,
His death our end of thrall.

The Apostolic Greeting & Opening Prayer

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.
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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: Isaiah 49:1-7

Read by Janet Kincaid

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The Lord called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." But I said, "I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the Lord, and my reward with my God." And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honoured in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my

servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)

Psalm 139:1-5, 12

PLEASE REMAIN SEATED & JOIN IN SINGING

There is one Lord, one faith, one bap - ti - sm;

There is one God who is Fath - er of all.

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Choir: Lord, you have searched me out and known me, you know my sitting, my rising up;
You trace my journeys, my resting places and are acquainted with all my ways.

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

Choir: There is not a word on my lips but you, O Lord, know it all together.
You press upon me behind and before and lay your hand upon me.

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

Choir: Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high I cannot attain it;
Darkness is not dark to you, the night is as bright as the day.

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

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Read by Noel Semple

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

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may

be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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!

The Holy Gospel: John 1:29-42

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

The next day John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God." The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's

brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

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 Sheldon

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

Affirmation of Faith: The Creed of the Church of Philippi

PLEASE STAND

Presider: Let us stand and confess our faith in the words which St. Paul gave to the Church of Philippi.
(Philippians 2:6-11)

People: **We believe that, though he was divine, Jesus did not cling to equality with God, but made himself nothing.**

Taking the form of a slave, he was born in human likeness. He humbled himself and was obedient to death, even the death of the cross.

Therefore God has raised him on high, and given him the name above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Presider: Having reaffirmed our faith, let us offer our prayers to God.

The Prayers of the People

Led by Janet Kincaid

Please respond to the petition "We pray to God," with the response, "let the light of Christ shine on us all."

All: **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.**

The Peace

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

People: **And also with you.**

(We encourage you to share a sign of 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 #162 Sing of God Made Manifest

PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

1. Sing of God made manifest in a child robust and blest,
To whose home in Bethlehem where a star had guided them,
Magi came and gifts unbound, signs mysterious and profound:
Myrrh and frankincense and gold gave and God and king foretold.

2. Sing of God made manifest when at Jordan John confessed,
"I should be baptized by you, but your bidding I will do."
Then from heaven a double sign--dove-like Spirit, voice divine--
Hailed the true Anointed One: "This is my beloved Son."
3. Sing of God made manifest when Christ came as wedding-guest
And at Cana gave a sign, turning water into wine;
Further still was love revealed as he taught, forgave, and healed,
Bringing light and life to all who would listen to God's call.
4. Sing of God made manifest on the cloud-capped mountain's crest,
Where both voice and vision waned until Christ alone remained:
Glimpse of glory, pledge of grace, given as Jesus set his face
Towards the waiting cross and grave, sign of hope that God would save.

Prayer over the Gifts

The Eucharistic Prayer

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

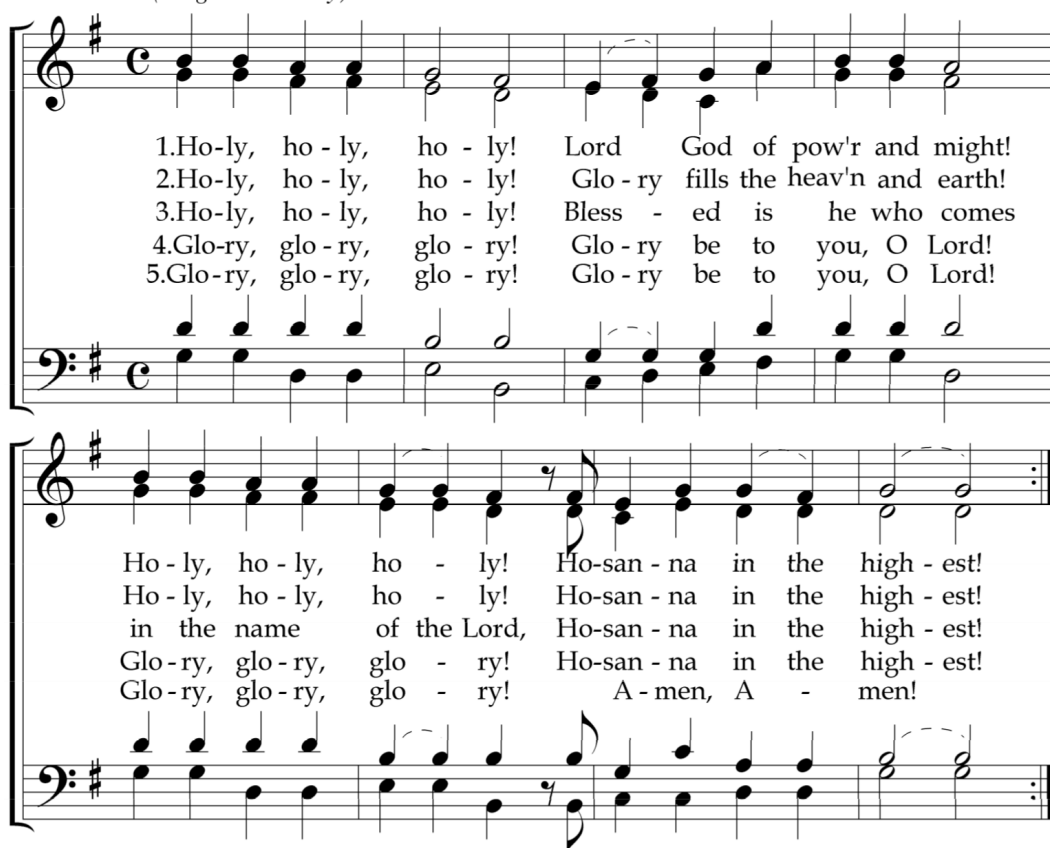
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider: 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: *(sing 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 and strengthen us, the Church, until we come to share the joys of heaven. We praise God's endless love, and at the elevation of the bread and cup, we sing:

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

The Breaking of the Bread

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!**

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

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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The 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: Be Thou My Vision

Prayer after Communion

PLEASE STAND

The 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.**

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn: CP #150 On This Day Earth Shall Ring

PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

1. On this day earth shall ring
With the song children sing
To the Lord, Christ our king,
Born on earth to save us;
Him the Father gave us.
Id-e-o-o-o, Id-e-o-o-o,
Id-e-o gloria in excelsis Deo!
2. His the doom, ours the mirth;
When he came down to earth
Bethlehem saw his birth;
Ox and ass beside him
From the cold would hide him. *Refrain.*
3. God's bright star, o'er his head,
Wise men three to him led;
Kneel they low by his bed,
Lay their gifts before him,
Praise him and adore him. *Refrain.*
4. On this day angels sing;
With their song earth shall ring,
Praising Christ, heaven's king,
Born on earth to save us;
Peace and love he gave us. *Refrain.*

Dismissal

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: Fugue in E-flat Major

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