



The Second Sunday after Epiphany

St. George's Church • Glenn Dale Parish
The Episcopal Diocese of Washington

January 18, 2026
A Service of Holy Eucharist

Welcome to St. George's! If you are new or visiting, we are especially glad to see you this morning, whether in person or virtually. This service booklet has the prayers and hymns needed for your participation in today's service. Wherever you are in your journey, know that you are welcome here.

Prelude:

Music:

Opening Hymn: Hymnal 1982 #117 *Brightest and best of the stars of the morning*

Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826). Music: *Morning Star* James Proctor Harding (1850-1911) Hymns reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-701323



Bright - est and best of the stars of the morn - ing,
Gold on his cra - dle the dew - drops are shin - ing,
Shall we then yield him, in cost - ly de - vo - tion,
Vain - ly we of - fer each am - ple o - bla - tion,
Bright - est and best of the stars of the morn - ing,



dawn on our dark - ness, and lend us thine aid;
low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;
o - dors of E - dom, and of - ferings di - vine,
vain - ly with gifts would his fa - vor se - cure,
dawn on our dark - ness, and lend us thine aid;



star of the east, the hor - i - zon a - dorn - ing,
an - gels a - dore him in slum - ber re - clin - ing,
gems of the moun - tain, and pearls of the o - cean
rich - er by far is the heart's a - dor - a - tion,
star of the east, the hor - i - zon a - dorn - ing,



guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid.
Ma - ker and Mon - arch and Sa - vior of all.
myrrh from the for - rest, and gold from the mine?
dear - er to God are the prayers of the poor.
guide where our in - fant Re - deem - er is laid.

Celebrant: The Bright Morning Star shines.
People: **The Light of Christ shows the way.**
Celebrant: Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:
People: **Let the whole earth stand in awe.**
Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God:
People: **Glory to God forever and ever.**

All pray together: **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.**

My Heart Sings Out #80 The Light of Christ (sung 3 times)

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The light of Christ has come in - to the world. The
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 light of Christ has come in - to the world. world. ^{1.2.} ^{3.}
 The light of Christ has come come.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Celebrant: Let us pray together the Collect of the Day:

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Martin Luther King Jr: Almighty God, by the hand of Moses your servant you led your people out of slavery, and made them free at last: Grant that your Church, following the example of your prophet Martin Luther King, may resist oppression in the name of your love, and may strive to secure for all your children the blessed liberty you desire for us, through Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Isaiah 49:1-7

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 labored 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 honored 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.**

Psalm 40:1-14

I waited patiently for you O Lord:

and you bent down to me and heard my cry.

You lifted me out of the horrible pit, out of the miry clay:

and set my feet upon a rock, and made my foothold sure.

And you put a new song in my mouth:

a song of praise to our God.

Many shall see it, and be filled with awe:

and so they will trust in the Lord.

Blessèd are those who have put their trust in the Lord:

who have not turned to the proud, or to those who stray after false gods.

O Lord my God, great are the wonderful things you have done,
and the things you have in mind for us:

there is none to be compared with you.

I would proclaim them and speak of them:

but they are more than can be numbered.

Sacrifice and offering you do not desire, but you have opened my ears to hear:

burnt-offering and sacrifice for sin you have not required of me.

Then I said, 'Look, I have come:

in the scroll of the book it is written that I should do your will.'

I delight to do your will O my God:

truly your law is in my heart.

I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great assembly:

I did not restrain my lips, as you well know O Lord.

I have not kept your goodness hidden in my heart:

I have spoken of your faithfulness and your saving help.

I have not concealed your steadfast love:

nor your truth from the great assembly.

Lord, do not withhold from me your tender care:

let your love and faithfulness ever preserve me.

At the conclusion of the psalm, all say together

**Glory to God, Source of all being, Eternal Word, and Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Gospel Hymn: Hymnal 1982 #383 *Fairest Lord Jesus*

Words: German composite Tr. pub. New York 1850. Music: *St. Elizabeth* from *Schlesische Volkslieder*, 1842 Thomas Tertius Noble (1867-1953)
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Fair-est Lord Je - sus, Ru - ler of all na - ture, O thou of God and man the Son:
Fair are the mea-dows, fair-er still the wood-lands, robed in the bloom-ing garb of spring:
Fair is the sun-shine, fair-er still the moon-light, and all the twink-ling, star-ry host:



thee will I cher - ish, thee will I hon - or, thou my soul's glo-ry, joy, and crown.
Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er, who makes the woe-ful heart to sing.
Je - sus shines bright-er, Je - sus shines pur - er, than all the an-gels heaven can boast.

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

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

John 1:29-42

John 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).

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sermon: The Rev. Connie Reinhardt

The Creed: *We believe in God Creator*

Words: paraphrase of the *Apostles Creed*. Music: William Henry Monk (1823-1889) *Merton*



We be-lieve in God Cre - a - tor, God al - might - y, by whose plan
We be-lieve in Christ the Sav - ior, Son of God in hu - man frame,
Christ, who on the cross for - sa - ken, like a lamb to slaugh - ter led,
We be-lieve that Je - sus ris - en, did as - cend to reign in heaven
We be-lieve in God the Spir - it; in one Church, be - low, a - bove:
So by faith, our sins for - giv - en, Christ our Sav - ior, Lord and friend,



earth and heav - en sprang to be - ing, all cre - a - ted things be - gan.
vir - gin - born, the child of Mar - y up - on whom the Spir - it came.
suf - fered un - der Pon - tius Pi - late, he de - scend - ed to the dead.
side by side with the Cre - a - tor till as judge he comes a - gain.
saints of God in one com - mun - ion, one in ho - li - ness and love.
we shall rise with him in glo - ry to the life that knows no end.

The Prayers of the People

Rejoicing in the Word made flesh and revealed to us, let us pray for the Church, those in need, and all of God's creation, saying **O God of truth and light, hear our prayer.**

For the church, walking in the Light of Christ, that we may follow faithfully where you lead us, O God, and serve as your light in the world, we pray. We pray especially for Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Mariann our Bishop, Connie our rector, and for the community of St. George's, as we say: **O God of truth and light, hear our prayer.**

For all entrusted with authority, that they might be guided by your wisdom and compassion, and seek the welfare of the poor and the oppressed, we pray: **O God of truth and light, hear our prayer.**

For our country and for other countries and regions of the earth divided by hatred and strife, especially for those in Sudan and Haiti, Ukraine and Gaza, and other places of conflict, that they might walk in the light of peace and reconciliation. We pray: **O God of truth and light, hear our prayer.**

For those who are sick or who are suffering, that you, Holy One, may shine upon them with your healing love, we pray. We hold in prayer all of those in need, those on our parish prayer list, and those we name before you now. *The people may add their own petitions.* We pray: **O God of truth and light, hear our prayer.**

For all gathered here in your Son's brilliant light, that we may be illumined in our journey of faith this new year, and proclaim your praise in the midst of our daily lives, we pray: **O God of truth and light, hear our prayer.**

For those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, and for other blessings of this life, we give you thanks and praise. *The people may add their own petitions.* We pray: **O God of truth and light, hear our prayer.**

For those who have died and are now held in Christ's eternal life, that their examples of faith and love may guide us toward your light. *The people may add their own petitions.* We pray: **O God of truth and light, hear our prayer.**

Lord Jesus, Light of the World, hear our prayers, and make us reflections of your Light, that all may be drawn to you and experience the joy of following you on the way. **Amen.**

The Confession and Absolution

Celebrant: Now let us confess our sins to God. *Silence is kept.*

All pray together **God of steadfastness and mercy, we confess that we love the works of darkness more than your light. We have sought to satisfy our deepest longings through material things of creation rather than through you, our Creator. We are quick to judge others, yet we fail to see our own failings. We ignore the cries of the poor, and grow weary of working for justice. Forgive and restore us, O God; let your Holy Spirit move in us and inspire us to walk in the light of Christ, this day and always. Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, confirm and 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 Christ be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Blessings for Birthdays & Anniversaries

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) and anyone celebrating their birthday or anniversary this week as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Offertory

Do good works and share what you have, for these are the sacrifices pleasing to God.

Offertory Anthem: Do Not Be Afraid

Words: Based on Psalms 27, 46 and 90. Music: Bernard Sexton © 2020. GIA Publications.

Refrain



Do not be a-fraid. Do not be a-fraid. God is al-ways by your side. Do not be a-fraid.

For he who dwells in the shelter of the Lord,
who abides in the Almighty's shade,
says to the Lord. "My refuge, my rock,
my God in whom I trust. (*Refrain*)

You need not fear the terror of the night,
nor the arrow that flies by day.
His angels guard you at his command,
keep you in all your ways. (*Refrain*)

Though mountains fall to the depths of the sea,
though the waters may rage and foam,
the Lord of hosts is always there,
Jacob's God, our stronghold. (*Refrain*)

One thing I ask, for this I long:
To live in the house of the Lord,
and dwell with him all the days of my life,
where he shall keep me safe.

Although St. George's no longer physically "passes the basket" everyone is invited and encouraged to make a financial offering to express your gratitude to God for the gifts we are given and in support of our mission and ministries. Baskets for donations by check or cash are located at the corner entrances to the Sanctuary. We encourage you to give electronically: you can text stgeodragon to 73256, use a web browser to go to onrealm.org/StGeorgesChurch/give, or donate via Zelle to donations@stgeorgesglennedale.org. (*For texts, message and data rates may apply. Message frequency varies. Text HELP to 73256 for help. Text STOP to 73256 to cancel.)*

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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

Worship and praise indeed belong to you, God our maker. Out of nothing, you called all worlds into being, and still you draw the universe to its fulfilment. Day and night we celebrate your glory till time shall be no more.

In Christ you have revealed yourself to the world; by the guiding of a star, you made him known to the nations as the son of David and king of Israel – so that in following him, we might be led from darkness into his marvelous light.

Filled with the Spirit, who descended upon your Son at his Baptism in the Jordan, we who are baptized in his name are transfigured and the earth is transformed. As children of your redeeming purpose we offer you our praise, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaving singing the hymn of your unending glory:

Sanctus: S 130 *Holy, holy, holy Lord*

Setting: from Deutsch Messe, Franz Peter Schubert (1787-1828). Arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937). Hymns reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-701323



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
hea-ven and earth are full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -
- san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless'd is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
- san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Glory and thanksgiving be to you, most loving God. In Jesus the Messiah you have come to us, and our hope is built on him in whom you are well pleased.

Having been shown to the world as your beloved Son, he proclaimed the good news of your kingdom. The blind received their sight, the lepers were cleansed, and the captives set free. At his word, water became wine, the hungry were filled with bread, and the dead were raised.

Before he was given up to suffering and death, desiring to complete the work for which he came into the world, at supper with his disciples Jesus took bread and offered you thanks. He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: "Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you."

After supper, he took the cup, offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying: "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me."

We now recall his passion and death, his resurrection and ascension; and we look for the coming of his Kingdom. Made one with him, we offer you these gifts and with them ourselves, a holy and living sacrifice.

Gracious God, send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, that, overshadowed by his life-giving power, they may be the Body and Blood of your Son. May we be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

Help us, who are baptized into the fellowship of Christ's Body, to live and work to your praise and glory.

May we grow together in unity and love until at last, in your new creation, we enter into our heritage in the company of Mary, the apostles, and prophets, and the whole family of faith, living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be to you, Lord of all ages, world without end. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now let us pray with confidence the words our Savior has taught us:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done on earth as it is 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 forever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The bread is broken. After a time of silence, all sing together

Fraction Hymn: Hymnal 1982 #S 155 *Christ our Passover*

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Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass-o-ver is sac-ri - ficed for us; there-fore let us keep the feast
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Celebrant: Mindful that not all are present physically to receive the sacrament, we pray with those who receive spiritual Holy Communion this day:

Lord Jesus, in union with your faithful people, we offer to you our praise and thanks. Since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we pray that you come spiritually into our hearts. Strengthen us with your grace, O Lord, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ lived, died, and rose again for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion

Wherever you are on your journey, whatever you believe or don't believe, know that you are welcome at this table. For this is Christ's table, and all are welcome.

If you would prefer not to receive the Eucharist, you are welcome to come up for a blessing; cross your hands to your shoulders to indicate this to the priest.



Communion Hymn 1: New Century Hymnal #173 *You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore*

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Tu has ve - ni - do a la o - ri - lla, no has bus - ca - do ni a sa - brios, ni a
 You have come down to the lake - shore seek - ing neith - er the wise nor the
 Tu, Pes - ca - dor de o - tros ma - res, an - sia e - ter - na de al - mas que es -
 You who have fished oth - er wa - ters; you, the long - ing of souls that are



ri - cos tan so - lo qui - res que yo te si - ga.
 wealth - y, But on - ly ask - ing for me to fol - low,
 - pe - ran. A - mi - go bue - no, que a - si me lla - mas.
 yearn - ing: As lov - ing Friend, you have come to call me.



Je - sus, me has mi - ra - do a los o - jos; son - ri -
 O Je sus, you have looked in - to my eyes; kind - ly



- en - do, ha di - cho mi nom bre; en la a - re - nas he de - ja - do mi
 smil - ing, you've called out my name. On the sand I have a - ban - doned my



bar - ca; jun - to a ti bus - ca - re o - tro mar.
 small boat; now with you I will seek oth - er seas.



Gather #510 *The Summons*

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Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name?
Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call your name?
Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your name?
Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call my name.



Will you go where you don't know and nev - er be the same?
Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er be the same?
Will you set the pris - 'ners free and nev - er be the same?
Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er be the same?
Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,
Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your life at - tract or scare?
Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as this un - seen,
Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the world a - round,
In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and foot - steps show.



will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?
Will you let me an - swer pray'r in you and you in me?
and ad - mit to what I mean in you and you in me?
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Celebrant: Let us pray: **Holy and Eternal God, 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.**

Announcements

The Blessing

Let us go forth in light to honor our God and share what we know of the risen Christ.
And now may God strengthen you and bless you with peace;
May Christ Jesus bring justice for you and among you;
And may the Holy Spirit alight on you and affirm you as God's beloved, this day and always.
Amen.

LEVAS #1 *Lift Every Voice and Sing*

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Lift ev-'ry voice and sing, 'Till earth and heav - en ring, Ring with the har - mo -
Ston-y the road we trod, Bit - ter the chast-'ning rod. Felt in the days when
God of our wear - y years, God of our si - lent tears, Thou who has brought us



- nies of lib - er - ty; Let our re - joic-ing rise High as the list - 'ning
hope un - born had died; Yet with a stead-y beat, Have not our wear-y
thus far on the way; Thou who has by thy might, Led us in to the



skies, Let it re-sound loud as the roll - ing sea. Sing a song full of the
feet Come to the place for which our Fa - thers sighed? We have come o - ver a
light, Keep us for - ev - er in the path we pray. Lest our feet stray from the



faith that the dark past has taught us; Sing a song full of the
way that with tears has been wa - tered; We have come, tread - ing our
pla - ces, our God, where we met thee; Lest our hearts, drunk with the



hope that the pres - ent has brought us; Fac - ing the ris - ing
path through the blood of the slaugh - tered; Out from the gloom - y
wine of the world, we for - get thee, Shad - owed be - neath Thy



sun Of our new day be - gun, Let us march on till vic - to - ry is won.
past, Till now we stand at last Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.
hand, May we for - ev - er stand, True to our God, true to our na - tive land.

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the Light of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

Postlude:

Music: