



ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

in the heart of the historic Stockade District

The First Sunday after Epiphany: The Baptism of Our Lord - 09 January 2022

High Mass — Rite I, 10AM

The Rev. Richard B. Lehmann, *Celebrant & Preacher*  
Dr. Brian J. Taylor, AAGO, *Director of Music Ministry*

MASS SETTING

Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena

*Healey Willan (1880-1968)*

ENTRANCE HYMN 117

Brightest and best of the stars of the morning

*Morning Star*

INTROIT

*Chanted by the cantor*

Therefore shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation; and in that day shall ye say: Praise the Lord; call upon his Name. Ps. Sing unto the Lord for he hath done excellent things; for great is the Holy One of Israel in the midst of thee.

*Celebrant*  
*People*

✠ Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost  
And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

*(people kneel)*

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

KYRIE ELEISON HYMNAL S-91

*(people kneel)*

Lord, have mercy upon us. (3x)

Christ, have mercy upon us. (3x)

Lord, have mercy upon us. (3x)

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS, HYMNAL S-202

*(people stand)*

Glory be to God on high,  
and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee,  
we worship thee,  
we glorify thee,  
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,

O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father  
Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the  
Father,  
have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy;  
thou only art the Lord;  
thou only, O Christ,  
with the Holy Ghost,

✠ art most high in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan didst proclaim him thy beloved Son and anoint 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 thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting.

*People* **Amen.**

## THE FIRST READING

**Isaiah 43:1-7**

**T**hus says the LORD,

he 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."

*Lector* The Word of the Lord

*People* **Thanks be to God**

## THE GRADUAL

*Chanted by the cantor and choir*

**B**ehold my servant whom I uphold; mine elect; in whom my soul delighteth; I have put my spirit upon him; he shall bring forth judgment to the gentiles.



**was crucified, dead and buried.  
He descended into Hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence he shall come to judge both the quick and the dead.**

*Celebrant:* Dost thou believe in God the Holy Ghost?

*People:* **I believe in the Holy Ghost,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the ✠ resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.**

*Celebrant:* Wilt thou continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,  
in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

*People:* **I will, by God's help.**

*Celebrant:* Wilt thou persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever thou dost fall into sin,  
repent and return to the Lord?

*People:* **I will, by God's help.**

*Celebrant:* Wilt thou proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People:* **I will, by God's help.**

*Celebrant:* Wilt thou seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving thy neighbor as thyself?

*People:* **I will, by God's help.**

*Celebrant:* Wilt thou strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every  
human being?

*People:* **I will, by God's help.**

*Celebrant:* **May** Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by  
water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal  
life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, BCP p. 328-330**

*(people kneel)*

**CONFESSION OF SIN, BCP p. 331**

*(people kneel)*

*Celebrant* Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

**Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge  
and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have  
committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and  
indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the  
remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have  
mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is  
past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and  
glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**ABSOLUTION**

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who  
with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all  
your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ  
our Lord. Amen**

## THE PEACE

*(people stand)*

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

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

*Chanted by the cantor*

**H**e shall be like a tree planted by the waterside, that will bring forth his fruit in due season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth, it shall prosper.

### OFFERTORY HYMN 120

The sinless one to Jordan came

*Solemnis haec festivitas*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are as follows:

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you. *People* And with thy spi - rit.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them up un - to the Lord.

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God.

*People* It is meet and right so to do.

*The Celebrant sings the Proper Preface for Epiphany*

## SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT HYMNAL S-114

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:  
Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.  
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

*(people kneel)*

**A**ll glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

**F**or in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

**L**ikewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our  
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,  
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Music: Plainsong; adapt. Charles Winifred Douglas (1867-1944)

### FRACTION

*Celebrant* [Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]**

### AGNUS DEI HYMNAL S-158

*Said by all*

*(people kneel)*

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.**

**PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS**

*Said by all*

*(people kneel)*

**We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

*Celebrant*   ✠ Behold the Lamb of God: Behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.  
*People*       **Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof, but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.**

**ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION**

*All baptized Christians may receive communion, regardless of age or denomination.*

*During this time of heightened COVID infection, communion will be administered in only one kind.*

**COMMUNION SENTENCE**

*Chanted by the cantor*

**And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, and proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.**

**COMMUNION HYMN 121**

Christ, when for us you were baptized

*Caithness*

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

*Said by all*

*(people kneel)*

**Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

**THE BLESSING**

**EXIT HYMN 135**

Song of thankfulness and praise

*Salzburg*

**DISMISSAL**

BCP p. 339

*Celebrant* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

*People*       **Thanks be to God.**

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Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Richard B. Lehmann  
Master of Ceremonies: David Kennison  
Organist: Dr. Brian J. Taylor  
Cantor: Joan Pearson  
Thurifer: Chris Henry  
Acolytes: Anne Kennison & J. J. Moran  
Greeter: Ann Duff  
Lector: David Kennison (for Diane Reed)  
Counters: Ralph Polumbo & Meg Hughes  
Altar guild: Barb Wengrovius  
Sacristan: Sandee Hughes

## Prayer List

The Sick and those in need: Larry P., Ed C., Nellie, Peggy, Daria, Peter, Theresa, Gail, Robert T., Richard, Jessica, Christian, Jesse, Judith S, Marasella, Bob K, John C., James, Judy, Layla, Sarah K., Joseph M., Christine L, Robert, Nick T., Sue V., Ken K, Faiz, Cora, Kate J., Rich, Bob and Sharon

*At the end of the month we will start over with this prayer list, if you would like a name included contact [office@stgeorgesschenectady.org](mailto:office@stgeorgesschenectady.org)*

## The Departed

None

## Birthdays:

Charles Stamm (1-9, Sun), Jonah Thiessen (1-11, Tues), Sean Albert (1-16, Sun)

## Anniversaries:

None

## PARISH NOTICES

**WELCOME VISITORS!** We'd like to extend a warm welcome to our visitors today. Whether you live in our area and decided to worship with us today or if you are visiting from out of town, we offer you a warm Georgian welcome! There are visitor cards in most of the pews and we ask that you fill one out and give it to the Greeters at the door or simply drop it in the offering plate. We'd love to see you again. Our Sunday Mass is at 10am. Details are on our website, [www.stgeorgesschenectady.org](http://www.stgeorgesschenectady.org).

## COFFEE HOUR CANCELED

Due to recent rise in Covid infections in the area and in our church, Coffee Hour is cancelled for the rest of January.

**Little Red Wagon Sunday/ SICM collection** **TODAY** is the day for our January ingathering. We solicit your donations of non-perishable food and toiletries for the Schenectady Community Ministries. Hearty soups, healthy snacks, pasta, hygiene items are all needed. You may also contribute a check to the ministry and place it in the offering plate. If you want to contribute but are not ready to come to church, call or text David at 518-320-5619 and arrange for a drop-off. Our next collection date is **February 13<sup>th</sup>**.

**ANNUAL MEETING** The 2022 Annual Meeting of St. George's will be held on Sunday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Due to recent Covid outbreaks, we will have the meeting in the church, immediately after the Mass. There will be a very short review of 2021 and a quick look to 2022. In addition, there will be Vestry elections. There are 3 Vestry seats that are open for election: Paul Smigelski, Lynn Paska & Rich Unger, all of whom are completing their 1<sup>st</sup> 3-year term and are eligible to stand for election to a 2<sup>nd</sup> term. Also, David Kennison is completing his partial term as Sr. Warden and is eligible to stand for election to a 1<sup>st</sup> 2-year term. Nominations for these positions can be made in advance to the Clerk of the Vestry, Meg Hughes or from the floor at the meeting. Please make every effort to attend.

**Weekday Services.** Our plan to develop new weekday services on Wednesday (liturgy of The Word & bible study), Thursday (Compline) and Friday (liturgy of The Word) is delayed until February due to the resurgence of Covid. When it is again safe, these will be rescheduled.

## Pastoral Care & Emergencies

During the interregnum, here are the options for pastoral care needs: (1) Jim Wingate & Anne Duff are always available for pastoral care, home and hospital visitations and communion. Call Jim at 518-381-9271. (2) Brian Taylor is trained in hospital chaplaincy and will respond for pastoral care and emergencies. Contact Brian (text or voice) at 912-656-0779 or email [cornishanglican@gmail.com](mailto:cornishanglican@gmail.com). (3) If the ministrations of a priest are needed, Senior Warden David Kennison will arrange for a priest of the diocese to respond. Call David (text or voice) at 518-320-5619 or email [kentech2@nycap.rr.com](mailto:kentech2@nycap.rr.com).

**All On the Same Page** The St. George's book club WILL MEET during coffee hour on January 16<sup>th</sup> to discuss our first book selection for 2022, "*This is Happiness*", a nostalgic, funny, and beautifully written novel by Niall Williams. The setting is a small town in rural Ireland that is on the verge of being added to the electric grid. Please see Meg Hughes for more information.

**Shape Note Singing** Due to the uptick in COVID infections in our area, Shape Note Singing will NOT MEET until the region's daily new case level drops to a safe point.

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