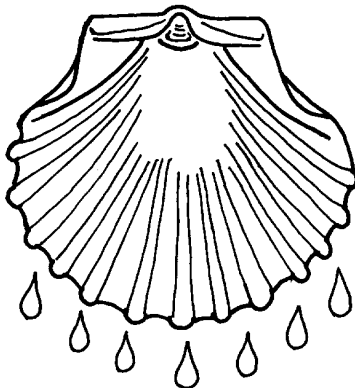


# *Grace Episcopal Church*

The First Sunday after the Epiphany  
The Baptism of our Lord  
January 12, 2025, 10:00AM

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Welcome to Grace Church – we are glad you are here! Whether you are a regular attender or first-time visitor, we hope today you find here a place to draw close to God. We welcome all as we gather to seek God through word, prayer, and sacrament. We seek to fulfill our baptismal commitment to love, serve, and treat each person with dignity. Service information is found in this leaflet, additionally, we use the red Book of Common Prayer and the blue Hymnal in your pew.

Prayer requests to be published for the community should be given to the parish office.

**Offerings** may be made on-line at [www.gracekirkwood.org/give-to-grace](http://www.gracekirkwood.org/give-to-grace).

**Hearing assistance** is available; please ask an usher.

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The Voluntary

*Prelude in G*

Craig Seller Lang  
(1891-1971)

Hymn 76

*Winchester New*

## THE WORD OF GOD

*Celebrant* Blessed be God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**  
*Celebrant* There is one Body and one Spirit;  
*People* **There is one hope in God's call to us;**  
*Celebrant* One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;  
*People* **One God and Father of all.**

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant* 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.**

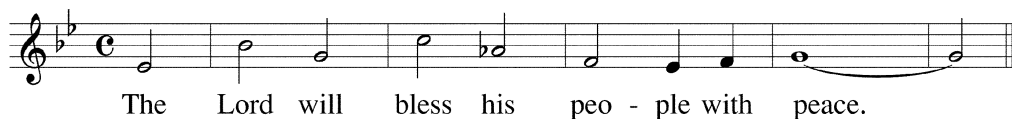
## The First Lesson

**Isaiah 43:1-7**

Thus 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.**

*Cantor, then All*



1. Give to the Lord, you sons of God,  
     give to the Lord glory and praise,  
     Give to the Lord the glory due his name;  
     adore the Lord in holy attire.
2. The voice of the Lord is over the waters,  
     the Lord, over vast waters.  
     The voice of the Lord is mighty;  
     the voice of the Lord is majestic.
3. The God of glory thunders,  
     and in his temple all, “Glory!”  
     The Lord is enthroned above the flood;  
     the Lord is enthroned as king forever.

The Second Lesson

**Acts 8:14-17**

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

*Lector*   The Word of the Lord.

*People*   **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Dom Gregory Murray, OSB



The heavens were opened and the voice of the Father thundered:  
 This is my beloved Son, listen to him. Alleluia.

## The Holy Gospel

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Lord 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."

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Lisa M. Corry

Procession to the Baptismal Font — *The people turn and face the Font.*

## The Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

*Celebrant* The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

*The candidates are presented by their Parents and Godparents.*

I present Kenley Kitson to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

*Celebrant* Do you desire to be baptized?

*Candidate* I do.

I present Iva Rose Haury to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

*The Celebrant asks the Parents and Godparents*

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

*Parents and Godparents* I will, with God's help.

*Celebrant* Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

*Parents and Godparents* I will, with God's help.

*The Celebrant asks the following questions of the candidates.*

*Question* Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

*Answer* I renounce them.

*Question* Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

*Answer* I renounce them.

*Question* Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

*Answer* I renounce them.

*Question* Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

*Answer* I do.

*Question* Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

*Answer* I do.

*Question* Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

*Answer* I do.

*The Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying*

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this child in her life in Christ?

*People* **We will.**

*Celebrant* Let us join with these persons who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

## The Baptismal Covenant

*Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Father?

*People* **I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

*Celebrant* 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.**

*Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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

*Celebrant* 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.**

*Celebrant* 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.**

*Celebrant* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* 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.**

## Prayers for the Candidate

*Celebrant* Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

*Intervessor* Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Intervessor* Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Intervessor* Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Intervessor* Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Intervessor* Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Intervessor* Send them into the world in witness to your love.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant*

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 Celebrant blesses the water, first saying*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

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

*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water*

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Baptism

*The candidates are presented by name to the Celebrant.*

Kenley Kitson, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Iva Rose Haury, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them 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 candidates are anointed with oil.*

Kenley, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.  
**Amen.**

Iva Rose, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.  
**Amen.**

*The candidates receive a candle as a symbol of their baptism and call into ministry.*

Kenley, receive the Light of Christ. Shine as Christ's light in the world to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

Ive Rose, receive the Light of Christ. Shine as Christ's light in the world to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

*Celebrant* Let us welcome the newly baptized.

*Celebrant and People*

**We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

The Peace

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

*People* **And also with you.**

Announcements

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

Anthem at the Offertory

*The Psalms of David, 1635*

Christ, when for us you were baptized, God's Spirit on you came,  
as peaceful as a dove and yet as urgent as a flame.

God called you, his beloved Son, called you his servant true,  
sent you his kingdom to proclaim, his holy will do to.

Straightway and steadfast until death you then obeyed his call  
freely as Son of Man to serve and give your life for all.

Baptize us with your Spirit, Lord, your cross on us be signed,  
that, likewise in God's service we may perfect freedom find.



To God the Father, heavenly Light, to Christ, revealed in earthly night,  
to God the Holy Ghost we raise our equal and unceasing praise.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

### Eucharistic Prayer D

*The Book of Common Prayer, page 372*

*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 him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

### Sanctus

Peter Latona

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.

Heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

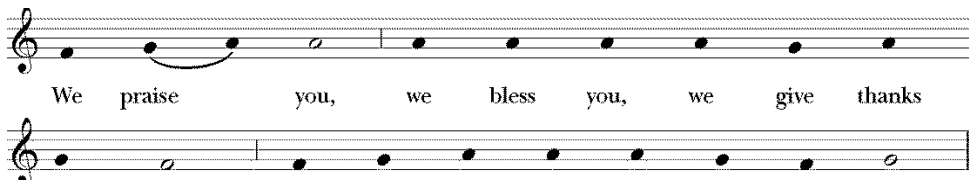
Bless'd is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na in the high-est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love...

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

*Cantor* *All*



We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks  
to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

*The Celebrant continues*

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us...

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and for ever. **AMEN.**


And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say: **Our Father, ...**

## The Breaking of the Bread

### Fraction Anthem

*Ambrosian Chant*

*Antiphon*  
*Cantor; then All*



Who - ev - er eats this bread will live for ev - er.

## The Communion of the People

*All are invited to receive communion. Gluten-free Bread is available upon request.  
Inform an usher if communion in the pew is needed.*

Music at the Communion

*Wine of Peace*

Charles Camilleri  
(1931-2009)

## The Post-Communion Prayer

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of 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 Savior. Amen.**

## The Blessing

Do not fear, for God has redeemed you; God has called you by name and you belong to God. Do not fear, for Christ is with you, and you are God's child, beloved, precious in God's sight and honored.

Do not fear, for the heavens have opened and you have been baptized with Holy Spirit and fire so that nothing may overwhelm or consume you.

And the blessing of our generous God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be with you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## Hymn 544

*Duke Street*

The Dismissal    *People respond*    **Thanks be to God!**

## The Voluntary

*How brightly shines the Morning Star*

Johann Pachelbel  
(1653-1706)

# *The Newly Baptized*

Kenley Kitson

*Parents: Andrea Kitson and Gregg Kitson*

*Godparents: Lance & Amber Kaden*

Iva Rose Haury

*Parent: Mandy Haury*

*Godparents: Julie Kavanagh and Molly Rapp*

## TODAY'S MINISTERS

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