

St. Brendan's Episcopal Church
Juneau, Alaska
"A Harbor for God's Love"
Holy Communion With Reserve Sacrament
The Second Sunday after the Epiphany
January 18, 2026 ~ 10:30 am



The Mission of the Church:
The mission of the Church is to restore all people to
unity with God and each other in Christ.
Catechism, Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 855

We welcome visitors. Take a moment to sign our guest book in the narthex, and join us for coffee hour after the service. Please join us in worship again, and may God bless your week.

*Before the service, speak to the Lord;
during the service, let the Lord speak to you;
after the service, speak to one another.*

Holy Communion With Reserve Sacrament

*Led by Worship Leaders trained and licensed by the Diocese of Alaska
Jo Schoeppe~ Officiant*

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Epiphany**

Sunday, January 18, 2026

Liturgy of the Word

Please stand as able and join in singing the Opening Hymn.

Opening Hymn

Christ is the world's true Light

Hymnal 542

1 Christ is the world's true Light, its Cap-tain of sal - va - tion,
2 In Christ all rac - es meet, their an-cient feuds for - get - ting,
3 One Lord, in one great Name u - nite us all who own thee;

the Day - star clear and bright of ev - ery race and na - tion;
the whole round world com - plete, from sun - rise to its set - ting;
cast out our pride and shame that hin - der to en - throne thee;

new life, new hope a - wakes, for all who own his sway:
when Christ is throned as Lord all shall for - sake their fear,
the world has wait - ed long, has tra - vailed long in pain;

free - dom her bond - age breaks, and night is turned to day.
to plough-share beat the sword, to prun - ing - hook the spear.
to heal its an - cient wrong, come, Prince of Peace, and reign.

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All standing as able, the Officiant says

People **Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.
Amen.**

Confession of Sin

All kneel or stand as able.

The Officiant says

Jesus said, “The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these.” *Mark 12:29-31*

The Officiant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence.

Officiant and People together say

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Officiant says

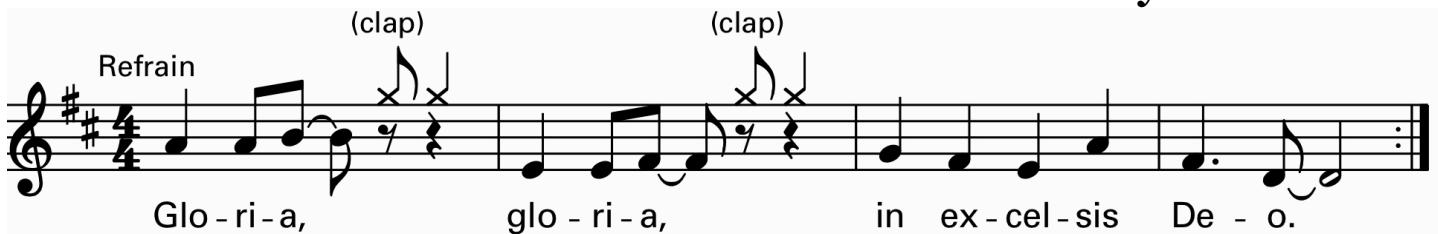
Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Officiant says

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.**

The following is sung, all standing, as able.

Gloria



Refrain (clap) (clap)

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o.

Glory & Praise 100

Verses

1. Lord God, heavenly King,
2. Jesus, Savior of all,
3. At the Father's right hand,
4. Glory, Father and Son,
peace you bring to
Lord God, Lamb of
Lord, receive our
Glory, Holy

1. us; we worship you, we give you thanks,
2. God, you take a-way our sins, O Lord,
3. prayer, for you a-lone are the Ho-ly One,
4. Spir-it, to you we raise our hands up high,

1. we sing our song of praise.
2. have mer-cy on us all.
3. and you a-lone are the Lord.
4. we glo-ri fy your name.

to Refrain

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Collect of the Day

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

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, worshiped, 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.

First Reading

Isaiah 49:1-7

Stephanie Hall

All sit.

A Reading from the book of the prophet 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 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.

Remain seated.

Psalm 40:1-12

Barbara Learmnth

Expectans, expectavi

- 1 I waited patiently upon the LORD; *
he stooped to me and heard my cry.
- 2 He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay; *
he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure.

3 He put a new song in my mouth,
a song of praise to our God; *
many shall see, and stand in awe,
and put their trust in the LORD.

4 Happy are they who trust in the LORD! *
they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.

5 Great things are they that you have done, O LORD my God!
how great your wonders and your plans for us! *
there is none who can be compared with you.

6 Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! *
but they are more than I can count.

7 In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure *
(you have given me ears to hear you);

8 Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required, *
and so I said, “Behold, I come.

9 In the roll of the book it is written concerning me: *
‘I love to do your will, O my God;
your law is deep in my heart.’”

10 I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; *
behold, I did not restrain my lips;
and that, O LORD, you know.

11 Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance; *
I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the
great congregation.

12 You are the LORD;
do not withhold your compassion from me; *
let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever,

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Dan Hall

A Reading from Paul’s First letter 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.**

Sequence Hymn

All stand as able.

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

LEVAS 136

1. I have decided to follow Jesus,
 2. Though no one join me,
 3. The world be hind me,

1. I have decided to follow Jesus,
 2. Though no one join me,
 3. The world be hind me,

1. I have decided to follow Jesus,
 2. Though no one join me, still I will follow,
 3. The world behind me, the cross before me,

No turning back, (no turning back,) no turning back!

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Holy Gospel

John 1:29-42

Jo Schoeppe

Congregation may remain seated during the reading of the Gospel.

Officiant

A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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).

Sermon **Jo Schoeppe**

Nicene Creed

Jo Schoeppe

All stand as able and together say

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

**the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven:

He came down from heaven by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the

and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Script

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of the People: Form III

Brita Rice

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

***That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and
Sacraments.***

We pray for the President of the United States, the Governor of this state, the Congress, the State Legislature, and the Supreme Court. We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world.

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; ***That they may be delivered from their distress.*** We pray for: ***Matthew, Stephanie, Eli, Daisy's family, Holly & family, Jessie, Tracy, Ann, Johnny, Seena, Mary & Stan, Marilyn, Jeannie, Caroline, Laurie, Tamira, Heather, Fred, Henry, Sharon & family, David & Jackie, Gavin, Dee, Sam & Joyce, John, Judi, Linda, Heaven, John, Mike, Ashu, Karen, Ann, Eyerus, Maria, Justine, John, Don A., Mariah, Miryam, Rudy, David, Steve, Julie, Linda, Marilyn, Stephanie, Penny, Marlene, Jim, Cyndy, Anne, Aaron &***

Devonne, Dwayne, Constance, Troy, Cheryl, Jordan, Jeremy; for the victims of domestic violence and gun violence; all who live and work at the Johnson Youth Center, SEARHC'S: Ravens Way, and Lemon Creek Correctional Center; all who live with addictions; all who suffer from long term illnesses; and for those who love and care for them.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

Officiant adds a concluding collect.

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Peace

All Stand as able.

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

The People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Holy Communion

The Officiant says

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts. *Psalm 96:8*

Today's loose offering will go into the General Fund.

Offertory Hymn

Holy God, you raise up prophets

WLP 792

1. Ho - ly God, you raise up proph-ets; praise and hon - or do we sing,
2. Mo - ral con-science of his na - tion, re - con-cil - ing black and white,
3. Teach - er of Christ - like non - vio - lence to the out-cast, poor and meek;
4. Preach - er of Christ's love for neigh - bor, he won No-bel's prize for peace;

for your faith - ful, hum - ble ser - vant, Doc - tor Mar - tin Luth - er King.
dreamed he of a just so - cie - ty, we must car - ry on his fight.
great - er weap - on 'gainst op - pres - sion is to turn the o - ther cheek.
peo - ples, beat your swords to plough - shares, wars 'twixt na - tion all shall cease.

Refrain

Bless - ed Mar - tin, pas - tor, proph - et, you the moun - tain - top did see;

Hymn continues on next page...

Bless - ed Mar - tin, ho - ly mar - tyr: pray that we may all be free.

5. Champion of oppressed humanity
suff'ring throughout all the world;
he offered pride and dignity
let Christ's banner be unfurled!
Refrain

6. So, when felled by sniper's bullet
under heavens overcast,
he could cry, "Thank God Almighty,
I am free, I'm free at last!"
Refrain

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The People stand as able and sing the Doxology as the offering is brought forward and placed on the Credence Table.

Doxology (*a hymn of praise*)

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow:
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.***

The service continues with the authorized Thanksgiving Prayer, all stand as able.

Prayer of Preparation for Communion

A General Thanksgiving (BCP Pg. 836)

Officiant and People say

Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love.

We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.

We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.

We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.

Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know Christ and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. Amen.

The Officiant continues

And now, as our Savior
Christ has taught us,
we are bold to sing,

People and Officiant

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Officiant says

Let us make our Holy Communion in the Body and Blood of Christ given to his people and received by faith.

All are welcome at the Lord's table. We are no longer strangers or guests but one family in the Lord. Let the Chalice Bearer know if you prefer alcohol free wine. Chalice Bearers – Rob Smith & Barbara Learmonth.

Communion Music

After Communion, the Officiant says

Let us pray.

The Officiant and People together say

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
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.**

Birthdays/Anniversaries

Please stand as able for any birthdays or anniversaries and together say

Prayer for Birthdays (BCP 830, prayer 50)

**O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on
your servant N. as he begins another year. Grant that he may
grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen his trust in your
goodness all the days of his life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Prayer for Anniversaries (BCP p. 431)

**O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in
it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his**

Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, N. and N. that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness. That their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Announcements...

People may be seated and announcements are now made.

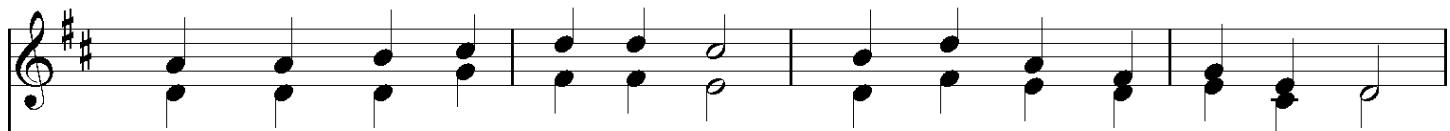
Annual Parish Meeting & Bishop's Visitation –
January 25 at 10:30 a.m. And potluck...



Closing Hymn

Christ, whose glory fills the skies

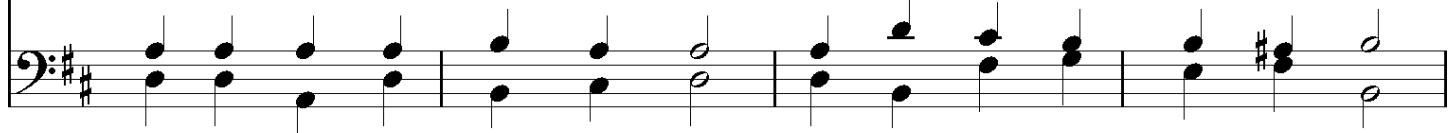
Hymnal 7



1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ, the true, the on - ly Light,
2 Dark and cheer-less is the morn un - ac - com - pan - ied by thee;
3 Vis - it then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!



Sun of Right-eous - ness, a - rise! Tri-umph o'er the shades of night:
joy - less is the day's re - turn, till thy mer - cy's beams I see,
Fill me, ra - dian - cy di - vine; scat - ter all my un - be - lief;



Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap - pear.
till they in - ward light im - part, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the per - fect day.



Dismissal

Officiant

People

Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Officiant says

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.** *2 Corinthians 13:14*



A Note on Today's Readings

The Second Sunday after the Epiphany—Year A

Welcome to our parish. The liturgy today continues the theme of Epiphany, the manifestation of Jesus as the Christ. Therefore, in today's Gospel reading we hear the testimony of John the Baptist to Jesus. John recounts the Holy Spirit's descent at Jesus' baptism and tells his followers that Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Two of John's disciples then follow Jesus and one of them, Andrew, brings his brother, Simon Peter.

In the first reading, one of the servant songs of Isaiah, God announces that the servant of God will bring not only the people of Israel into God's household but will be sent to all humankind.

Throughout this Epiphany period, we read from the First Epistle to the Corinthians. This letter of Paul is particularly concerned with the life of the Church as the Body of Christ, for the church is the ongoing manifestation of Christ in the world. The Spirit of God who rested upon Jesus at his baptism dwells in the church and Paul explores the meaning of our membership in Christ's Body.

Each time we gather to celebrate Eucharist, we are reconstituted as the church. We proclaim the story of God's salvation, we pray for the church and the world, and in the Eucharistic feast, God reveals our unity with Jesus in the Bread and Wine of Holy Communion. We are revealed by Word and Sacrament to be the Body of Christ in the world.

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