

THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

10 a.m. Choral Eucharist

JANUARY 6, 2019

WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

St. Paul's is a diverse, inclusive community in the Episcopal Diocese of California. We are a member of Integrity and of Oasis, the Gay and Lesbian ministry of the Diocese of California, and are welcoming to all who attend in worship.

*To our Parents: We welcome your children to participate in our worship. During the 10 a.m. service, children under 3 can enjoy **Mustard Seeds**, our professionally staffed nursery in the back of the church.*

We're happy to have you with us today. Our worship follows the order of the Book of Common Prayer 1979 (BCP), Rite II, with music from a variety of musical resources authorized by the Episcopal Church: 1982 Hymnal, Lift Every Voice and Sing (LEVAS) and Enriching Our Music (EOM) and other approved forms.

PRELUDE

Das alte Jahr vergangen ist (BWV 614)
J. S. Bach (1685–1750)

At the sound of the bell, all stand for the entrance of the ministers.

The Word of God

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Hymnal 119
As with gladness men of old
Dix

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

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

**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 GLORIA

Hymnal S-280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

All sit.

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his

- 10 The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute, *
and the kings of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.
- 11 All kings shall bow down before him, *
and all the nations do him service.
- 12 For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress, *
and the oppressed who has no helper.
- 13 He shall have pity on the lowly and poor; *
he shall preserve the lives of the needy.
- 14 He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, *
and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

Response

THE SECOND READING

Ephesians 3:1-12

I Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles— assume that you have already heard of the commission of God’s grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God’s grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

Hymnal 247
O sisters, too, how may we do
Coventry Carol

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 2:1-12

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
Matthew.

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

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, “Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.” When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.” Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.” When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Mauricio Wilson

A period of silence is kept following the sermon.

THE NICENE CREED

All stand.

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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; 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

Madyé Parrish

Rejoice! The Glory of Zion is upon you!! Celebrate the birth of the king of the Jews. Lift up your eyes and look about you, for you will see that we are heirs together with Israel, members together of one body, and sharers together in the promise in Christ Jesus.

We pray for our spiritual leaders: our Presiding Bishop, Michael, our Bishop, Marc, our Rector, our priests, deacon, and lay persons. Strengthen them in their faith walk as they endeavor to serve in your name.

Silence

Lord, though we are less than the least of all your people.

We approach you with the freedom and confidence your grace has given.

Bring the nations to your light. Prepare our leaders at all levels of government. Guide them in their oversight and support of the communities they have been elected to serve. Teach them to exhibit compassion and humility, administering God’s grace when upholding human laws.

Silence

Lord, though we are less than the least of all your people.

We approach you with the freedom and confidence your grace has given.

Reveal the boundless riches of Christ. For those who suffer from physical, psychological, spiritual, or financial ills, remind them that the Lord—our great Redeemer—brings justice, peace, protection and healing. Bless our families; keep them whole. Protect our communities; keep them in your peace. Save our youth; deliver them from all harm and negative influences. Care for our elderly; support their fragile bodies. Encourage our incarcerated; lift up their weary spirits.

Silence

Lord, though we are less than the least of all your people.

We approach you with the freedom and confidence your grace has given.

Rise up and show us your glory. Fill us with faith where we have doubt. Bring unity and tolerance where there is discord and prejudice.

Silence

Lord, though we are less than the least of all your people.

We approach you with the freedom and confidence your grace has given.

Remind us that the earth is your gift to us—one which every generation receives and passes to the next. Create in us a sense of responsibility to Mother Earth, her resources and her creatures.

Silence

Lord, though we are less than the least of all your people.

We approach you with the freedom and confidence your grace has given.

Eternal God, we thank you for our time on earth. While we know that our physical life will end, we wrestle with our faith and our transition from this earth. Ease the pain of death with your promise of heaven. Comfort every family member separated by death. Remind us of your promise of everlasting life and put our trust in you.

Silence

Lord, though we are less than the least of all your people.

We approach you with the freedom and confidence your grace has given.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

The Deacon then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence. All kneel.

Minister and People

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 Celebrant stands and says

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

THE PEACE

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Communion

THE OFFERTORY

Harold Darke (1888–1976)

Words by Christina Rossetti (1830–1894)

In the bleak midwinter
Frosty wind made moan,
Earth stood hard as iron,
Water like a stone;
Snow had fallen,
Snow on snow,
In the bleak mid-winter,
Long ago.

Enough for him, whom cherubim
Worship night and day,
A breastful of milk,
And a manger full of hay;
Enough for him, whom angels
Fall down before,
The ox and ass and camel
Which adore.

Our God, heaven cannot hold him
Nor earth sustain;
Heaven and earth shall flee away
When he comes to reign:
In the bleak mid-winter
A stable-place sufficed
The Lord God Almighty
Jesus Christ.

What can I give him,
Poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd
I would bring a lamb;
If I were a wise man
I would do my part;
Yet what I can I give him:
Give my heart.

All stand as the Celebrant raises the offerings and together sing the Doxology.

THE DOXOLOGY

Hymnal 380, verse 3
Music: Old 100th

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 people remain standing.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 God thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

THE SANCTUS

Hymnal S-125



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,



heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



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



Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



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

The people stand or kneel and the Celebrant continues

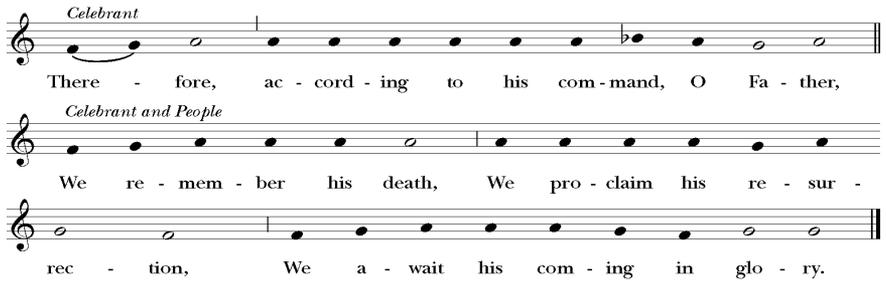
We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be Incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

S-133



Celebrant
There - fore, ac - cord - ing to his com - mand, O Fa - ther,

Celebrant and People
We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -
rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

The Celebrant then continues,

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Joseph, Paul and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

The Celebrant then continues,

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Hymnal S-119

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.

The Celebrant breaks the bread.

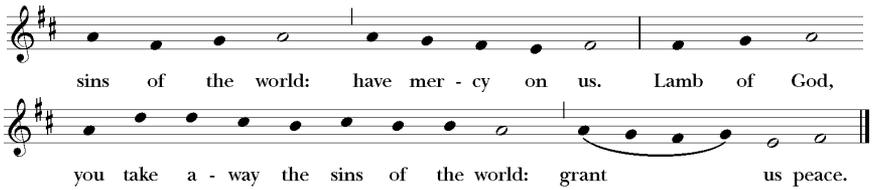
A period of silence is kept.

Then is sung

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Hymnal S-161

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



The Celebrant invites all to God's table saying

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All are welcome at the Lord's table to receive Holy Communion or a blessing. To receive Communion in your pew, please ask an usher to notify the ministers on your behalf. If you require a gluten-free wafer, please ask at the altar rail.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

Here is the little door, lift up the latch, oh lift!
 We need not wander more but enter with our gift;
 Our gift of finest gold,
 Gold that was never bought nor sold;
 Myrrh to be strewn about His Bed;
 Incense in clouds about His Head;
 All for the Child that stirs not in His sleep,
 But holy slumber holds with ass and sheep.
 Bend low about His Bed: for each He has a gift;
 See how His eyes awake, lift up your hands, oh lift!
 For gold, He gives a keen-edged sword
 (Defend with it Thy little Lord!)
 For incense, smoke of battle red,
 Myrrh for the honoured happy dead;
 Gifts for His children, terrible and sweet,
 Touched by such tiny hands and oh such tiny feet.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After all have received Communion, people stand or kneel as the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and ever living God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

Hymnal 117

Brightest and best of the stars of the morning
Morning Star

THE BLESSING

The priest blesses the people, saying

May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also, in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord.

All **Amen.**

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the Only-begotten at his baptism in the Jordan River, pour out that Spirit on you who have come to the waters of new birth.

All **Amen.**

May God, by the power that turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana, transform your lives and make glad your hearts.

All **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

All **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

ORGAN POSTLUDE Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern
Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

ST. PAUL'S 2019 ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting will be held on January 20, 2019 during the 10 a.m. Choral Eucharist service. Besides receiving committee and ministry reports, we will also be electing three persons to the Vestry as well as two deanery delegates and three alternates. The vestry nominations committee has received names of potential vestry nominees. Please let us know if you are willing and able to serve as a Deanery Delegate.

Prayer requests for you or a loved one may be communicated by placing a note in the offering plate. We will include them in our regular prayer concerns. You may also send prayer requests to prayers@stpaulsoakland.org.

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 Grace Gough
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 Flo Hurley
 Sharon Hyde
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 Gregory Jackson
 Peter Johnson
 Hannah Keene
 Reginald & Theresa Lane
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 Manny Smith
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 Loretta VanderVeen
 Nell Varnedoe

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 The Rev. Anne Jensen
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 Philip Saunders
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 Danislav Nedevski
Sexton
 Elena Nedevska
Housekeeper

VESTRY

Class of 2018
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 George Strait—Jr. Warden
 Sandra Anderson—Treasurer
Class of 2019
 Will Cowart
 Pamela Kruse-Buckingham
 Irene Plunkett
Class of 2020
 Ben Clausen
 Allison Sass
 Dylan Versteeg

ST. PAUL'S CHANCEL CHOIR

Soprano: Alice Brilmayer, Mackenzie Covington*, Christine Dukey
 Alto: Amy Kessler*, Vicki Larson, Sharon Pilmer, Ann Gregory
 Tenor: Joshua Black*, Ben Clausen, Elizabeth Jenkins, Richard Larson
 Bass: Charles Blue, William Davis, John Prescott, Philip Saunders*

**Section leader*

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sundays

8 AM Spoken Eucharist in
the Church

10 AM Choral Eucharist in
the Church

First Sundays

4 PM Evensong in the
Church

Fourth Sundays

8 PM Compline in the
Church

Wednesdays

12:10 PM Spoken
Eucharist with Healing
Service on the 1st
Wednesday in the Chapel

The Sacrament of
Reconciliation may be
scheduled with any priest.

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The Rev. Dr. Mauricio Wilson
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The Rev. Christian Harding
Assisting Priest

The Rev. Anne Jensen
Assisting Priest

Deacon

The Ven. Carolyn Bolton
Archdeacon

Subdeacon

George Strait

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Odessa Dando, Schafer Dando,
Harriet Gregory

Music Director

Christopher Kula

Choir

St. Paul's Chancel Choir

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Kimaura Wilson Morris, Richard
Larson

Intercessor

Richard Larson

Ushers

Scott Buckingham

Altar Guild

Alice Brilmayer, Helen Devlin,
Maureen Hartmann, Elizabeth
Burchfield

Coffee Hour

Trish Grima and Josie Ramos

WELCOMING AND AFFIRMING

Parking is available in the Senior Center/ Veteran's Memorial Building lot (across Bay Place from the church) for Sunday services. Street parking is unrestricted on Sundays, but metered/2-hour limit all other days. Additional paid parking is available at Children's Fairyland on Grand Ave. and at lots at 155 Grand Ave. and at W 23rd St. & Waverly (behind 180 Grand Ave.). The nearest BART station is the 19th Avenue stop, a .7 mile walk.



Event Notification: If you would like to receive information on St. Paul's events and ministries, or receive a call from clergy, please fill out the welcome cards in the pews and place in the collection plate or sign the visitor book in the Narthex. **To join our email list, sign up on our website, www.stpaulsoakland.org**

Parishioner Directories are available in either printed or digital form. To request your copy please call or email Marion Hills (510.834.4314 Ext. 501/admin@stpaulsoakland.org).

Name Tags

Let us greet you with your name! Please pick up your name tag in the narthex as you enter the Church or at the coffee hour afterwards.

The Restroom

One is located at the back of the church through the side door. A wheelchair accessible restroom is also available. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Questions?



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