

THE NEVIL MEMORIAL CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE

-EPISCOPAL-

ARDMORE, PA

The Second Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday, January 14, 2018

8:00 am, Rite I

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*Coming together from our week in the world,
we ready ourselves to worship God.*

All standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People

And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

The Celebrant and the People say

The Collect for Purity

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.

The Summary of the Law

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The Kyrie

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The Gloria

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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that thy people, illuminated by thy 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 the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Lord speaks to us in scripture and preaching. We respond proclaiming our belief, praying for the world and ourselves, and greeting one another in his Name.

A Reading from the Book of Samuel

1 Samuel 3: 1-10

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm 139: 1-5, 12-17

LORD, you have searched me out and known me; *
you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

 You trace my journeys and my resting-places *
 and are acquainted with all my ways.

Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *
but you, O LORD, know it altogether.

 You press upon me behind and before *
 and lay your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

 For you yourself created my inmost parts; *
 you knit me together in my mother's womb.

I will thank you because I am marvelously made; *
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.

 My body was not hidden from you, *
 while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your book; * they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them.

How deep I find your thoughts, O God! *

how great is the sum of them!

If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; * to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

A Reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians

1 Corinthians 6: 12-20

"All things are lawful for me," but not all things are beneficial. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food," and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, "The two shall be one flesh." But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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

John 1: 43-51

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

The Homily

The Rev. Barbara Abbott

All stand and together say

The Prayers of the People

Please kneel as you are able.

Called together as a family of faith from every time and place, we are bidden by God to pray. That we might share our mutual concerns and offer the secrets of our hearts, let us pray, saying: Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for the world; for the leaders of nations, that wisdom and integrity might prevail; for regions torn by conflict, that peace and harmony might be restored: Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for the church; for the unity of the body of Christ, especially for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Daniel, our Bishop; Barbara our priest; and Toneh our deacon, and for all who nurture our life together, that the body may be strengthened and our common life enriched. We pray for our discernment committee as it begins its work: Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those in our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, Canterbury, England, and for those in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, St. Christopher's Church, Oxford; St. Francis-in-the-Fields, Sugartown; St. James' Church, Downingtown; St. John's Church, Compass; St. John's Church, and for those in our Companion Diocese of Guatemala, Church of Saint Michael Archangel. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for those celebrating their birthdays this week, especially Julie Ricci, Michael Noreika, Sally Hale, Joe Moore, Gina Brocklesby, June Jaquith, Elizabeth Havens, Deb Newnham, Sam and Will Lightcap, that they may grow in grace as they grow in years. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For those celebrating their anniversaries this week, especially Marlee and Gary Bullock, that God may reveal himself to them more and more through each other in the sacrament of holy matrimony. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for this parish; for our presence in this community, that persons may find here the means to a deeper relationship with God; and especially for those to be baptized here today: Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for those in need; for the hungry and homeless, that food and shelter might be theirs; for the oppressed and downtrodden, that freedom and dignity might be theirs; for the sick and the infirm, especially Gail Hyland, Mary Hobart, Elizabeth Sim, Diane, Ed, Irene, Carol, Danny Feltwell, Carol Potts, doug, Lucy, Mary, Elsie, Bruce and Mitch, Nancy McMurray, Marcia, Georgine Leshko and Marie Drew and Family, that health and wholeness might be theirs: Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for those who have died, especially____, that their rest this day may be in peace and their dwelling place in the light of God. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Celebrant

Almighty God, you have called us through your Son to be the willing servants of all: Bless all who extend compassion and love, keeping us faithful in all that he do, and giving us vision and courage in the face of new opportunities and challenges. This we pray in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer. **Amen**

The Confession of Sin and Absolution

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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.

The Peace

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**

Community Announcements and Welcome of Visitors

THE LITURGY OF THE HOLY COMMUNION

Our risen Lord comes to us in His sacrifice banquet and we receive Him with grateful hearts.

The Offertory

Please stand as the gifts are brought forward.

† The Great Thanksgiving †

Eucharistic Prayer I

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The people remain standing.

Sanctus

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Please kneel as you are able.

The Lord's Prayer

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The Breaking of the Bread

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A period of silence is kept.

The Prayer of Humble Access

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.

All baptized persons regardless of denomination are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you desire a blessing, please come forward and cross your arms over your chest.

The Postcommunion Prayer

Please kneel as you are able.

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

Please stand

The Celebrant blesses the people, saying

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Community Announcements

*The Sanctuary Candle is offered this week to the glory of God
and in memory of Jay Geiss by the LaBrake Family.*

Flowers on the Altars today are given to the glory of God.

Tomorrow, Monday, January 15th Outreach, MLK Project: Join us in St. George's dining hall on at 9:30 a.m. for an hour of service in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. We will be making peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and assembling bag lunches for the homeless in our area. Please see the sign-up board in the dining hall for items needed that day. The lunches will be brought that morning to the Life Center of Eastern Delaware County.

Tuesday, January 16th, Outreach Committee Meeting at 7:00 PM in Jerusalem Hall. Everyone welcome and we encourage you to join us!

Saturday Matinee at St. George's on Saturday, January 20th at 3:00 PM. Featuring "All Saints" based on an inspiring true story. Contact is Roland Norieka.

Save the Date: St George's Annual Meeting and Vestry Election is Sunday, January 21, 2018. We will have a 9:00 AM service, followed by a 10:00 AM all-parish brunch and Annual Meeting.

Upcoming Dates: Younuth Sunday and Super Bowl Potluck on **Feb. 4th**, Good Works Workday on **Feb. 10th**, Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner on **Feb. 13th**, Lenten Quite Morning on **Feb 17th** and starting on **Feb. 21st** Lenten suppers, worship and study on Wednesday evenings.



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The Rev. Barbara Abbott, *Interim Rector*

**Thanks to those who are
helping today ...**

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Altar Guild: Janice Capoferri

Ambassador: James Burns III

Chalice Bearer: Donna DiPaulo

Coffee Hour: Janice Capoferri

Intercessor: George Chittenden

Lector: Chris Luetzen

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SUNDAY WORSHIP TIMES

Holy Eucharist, Rite I - 8:00 AM

Holy Eucharist, Rite II - 10:00 AM

OUR MISSION

St. George's mission is to share together God's work in our lives through liturgy and sacrament, through joyous and caring fellowship, and through courageous and compassionate engagement with the world.

