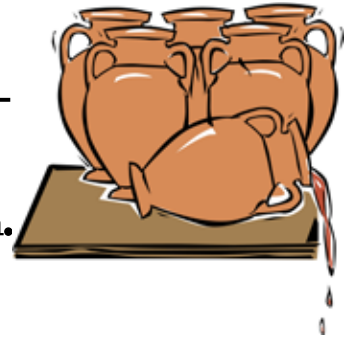


The Second Sunday after Epiphany †

Year C • Sunday, January 16, 2022 • 10:00 a.m.



Welcome to Church of the Ascension. We are an inclusive community that respects the dignity of every human being. Therefore, whoever you are in terms of race, ethnicity, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, or ability and wherever you are on your faith journey, we welcome you and hope you will give us an opportunity to be your spiritual home.

The lit candle before the altar is “the Peace and Justice Candle.” It stands to proclaim our commitment against any kind of injustice, prejudice, or discrimination based on difference, and also our prayers for an end to war, violence, genocide, and gun violence.

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

PRELUDE

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart
Bailey Myers, *piano*

Frederick C. Atkinson, arr. Mark Hayes

PROCESSIONAL HYMN LEVAS 1

Lift Every Voice and Sing

Words: James Weldon Johnson (1871-1938)
Music: J. Rosamond Johnson (1873-1954)

1. Lift ev - 'ry voice and sing, Till earth and heav - en
2. Sto - ny the road we trod, Bit - ter the chast - 'ning
3. God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent

1. ring, Ring with the har - mo - nies of lib - er -
2. rod, Felt in the days when hope un - born had
3. tears, Thou who hast brought us thus far on the

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1. ty; Let our re - joic - ing rise High as the list - 'ning
 2. died; Yet with a stead - y beat, Have not our wear - y
 3. way; Thou who hast by thy might, Led us in - to the

1. skies, Let it re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea.
 2. feet Come to the place for which our fa - thers sighed?
 3. light, Keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray.

1. Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;
 2. We have come o - ver a - way that with tears has been wa - tered;
 3. Lest our feet stray from the pla - ces, our God, where we met thee;

1. Sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has
 2. We have come, tread - ing our path through the blood of the
 3. Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we for -

1. brought us; Fac - ing the ris - ing sun Of our new
 2. slaugh - tered; Out from the gloom - y past, Till now we
 3. get thee, Shad - owed be - neath Thy hand, May we for -

1. day be - gun, Let us march on till vic - to - ry is won.
 2. stand at last Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.
 3. ev - er stand, True to our God, true to our na - tive land.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be the One, Holy, and Living God!

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.*

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
 and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
 almighty God and Father,
 we worship you, we give you thanks,
 we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
 Lord God, Lamb of God,
 you take away the sin of the world:
 have mercy on us;
 you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
 receive our prayer.

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.***

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant 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, worshipped, 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.*

COLLECT FOR MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SUNDAY

Almighty God, by the hand of Moses your servant you led your people out of slavery, and made them free at last: Grant that your Church, following the example of your prophet Martin Luther King, may resist oppression in the name of your love, and may secure for all your children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE FIRST LESSON

Monica Allen, Lector

Isaiah 62:1-5

A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 36:5-10

Monica Allen, Lector

- 5 Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, *
and your faithfulness to the clouds.**
- 6 Your righteousness is like the strong mountains,
your justice like the great deep; *
you save both man and beast, O Lord.**
- 7 How priceless is your love, O God! *
your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.**
- 8 They feast upon the abundance of your house; *
you give them drink from the river of your delights.**

9 For with you is the well of life, *
and in your light we see light.

10 Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you, *
and your favor to those who are true of heart.

THE SECOND LESSON

Monica Allen, *Lector*

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says “Let Jesus be cursed!” and no one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

People The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL HYMN
LEVAS 115

Spirit of the Living God

Words & Music: Daniel Iverson (18909-1977)

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of four systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are: "Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me, Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me. Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me." The score includes various musical notations such as chords, stems, and beams.

THE GOSPEL

John 2:1-11

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

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

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

People The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Joan E. Beilstein, Rector

A moment of silence for reflection will follow the sermon.

THE NICENE CREED (STANDING)

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**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

In this season of God's light, let us offer our prayers, saying, "Christ, have mercy."

For peace, justice, and tranquility in the world, and for the salvation of all, let us pray.

Christ, have mercy.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for Mariann our Bishop; for Joan our Rector; for Terri our Deacon; for our seminarian, deacon candidates, and deacon postulants, and Bailey our Minister of Music, and for all bishops and other ministers. In our Parish cycle of prayer we pray for Susan Farrer and Tom Spilsbury; Sally and Charlie Feder; Catherine and Kiki Feissner; Maureen, Keisha and Clarence, Jr. Findley; and Mary Beth Flournoy and Deborah Riley. In our Diocese, we pray for St. Peter's Church, Poolesville; Church of the Ascension and St. Agnes, DC; the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity; St. Timothy's Parish, DC; and St. Timothy's Child Development Center, DC. And in the Anglican Communion we pray for The Church of England. Let us pray.

Christ, have mercy.

For those who are unemployed, hungry, homeless, and in any kind of need, especially those whom we encounter in our own community of Silver Spring, let us pray.

Christ have mercy.

For those who are victims of hatred, injustice, gun violence, war, and terrorism (domestic and foreign), let us pray.

Christ, have mercy.

For those who suffer in body, mind, and spirit and are experiencing any kind of distress or trouble, especially **all who are suffering from COVID-19 ... Virginia ... Gloria ... Gwendolyn ... Lynette ... Amy ... Rachel ... Tina ... Florri ... Dick ... Frank ... Glen¹ ... Riza ... Marilyn ... Vince ... Skip ... Yvonne ... Jean ... *Bob¹ ... Mary ... Martha¹ ... Joré Yvonne ... Paula ... Pat¹ ... Jeff ... Angelo¹ ... Margaret ... Angelo² ... Giulia ... Sofia ... Patti ... *Sally ... Sean ... The Floyd Family ... David¹ ... Inez ... Sarah ... Geoff ... Gloria ... Kitty ... Judy ... Jere ... *Orion ... *Maggie ... The Huggins Family ... The Hunte Family ... Marian ... Lynn ... Paul ... Sara ... Barbara ... *Bert ... Eastlyn and Family ... *Maybelle ... Linda¹ ... *Dana ... Pat³ ... Mike ... Les ... Glenn² ... *Kathryn ... *Linda² ... Bob² ... David² ... Paula ... *Lisa ... Keli ... Zobida ... Cynthia ... Vanessa ... Elaine ... Val ... Severn ... *April ... *Carol¹ ... *Rebecca ... Joseph ... The Seaton Family ... Pat ... Sam ... Carol² ... *Martha ... *Joyce¹ ... The Tate Family ... *Giselle ... The Thomas Family ... Myrtle ... *Lorraine ... Helen ... Adela ... Steven ... *Libby ... *Ginny ... Glenn³ ... Joyce² ... and Judah.*

Let us pray.

Christ, have mercy.

For all the blessings of this life, especially the birthdays of Winston Braodbell, Sr., Rebecca Schwobel, Clarence Findley, Jr., Beatrice Lehman, and Rachel Strandquist (17), let us pray.

Christ, have mercy.

For those who have died, especially Kent Julien, cousin of Joan Thomas, George Huggins, friend of Joan Thomas, Sylvia Kraemer, mother of Pete Kraemer, dear friend of Jennifer Woods and Lisa Null, and Dennis Rios, Orion Howard's uncle, let us pray.

Christ, have mercy.

I invite you now to offer up your prayers and thanksgivings, either aloud or in the silence of your hearts.

Silence

Let us pray.

Christ, have mercy.

Celebrant

Gracious God, hear the prayers of your people. In this Epiphany season, empower us to be vehicles of your love, healing, and peace in the world. We ask through Jesus Christ our Lord, who baptizes us with water and the Spirit, that we may led into all truth and be his disciples. **Amen.**

Deacon:

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

THE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

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God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

The Celebrant declares God's mercy and forgiveness.

THE PEACE

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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Rise, Shine!

Negro Spiritual, arr. Marques L. A. Garrett and Tom Trenney

The Virtual Chancel Choir

OFFERTORY WORDS

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.

***People* And of thine own have we given thee. Amen.**

BLESSING OF THE AGAPE MEAL AT HOME

Be present at our table, Lord; Be here and everywhere adored; Thy creatures bless, and grant that we may feast in paradise with Thee, As we bless and receive the Sacrament of your Body and Blood. **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARIST PRAYER A

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:



SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The people stand or kneel.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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."



Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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. Amen.

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

FRACTION ANTHEM

Celebrant We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

THE INVITATION

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

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

LEVAS 106

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Words & Music: Thomas A. Dorsey (1899-1993); arr. Horace Clarence Boyer (1935-2009)

1. Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me
2. When my way grows— drear, pre - cious Lord, lin - ger
3. When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws—

1. stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
2. near, When my life is al - most gone;
3. near, And the day is past and gone;

1. — Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the
2. — Hear my cry, hear my call, Hold my hand, lest I
3. — At the riv - er I stand, Guide my feet, hold my

1. light, Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, Lead me on.
2. fall, Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, Lead me on.
3. hand, Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, Lead me on.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. *Amen.*

THE BLESSING

DISMISSAL

RECESSIONAL HYMN

LEVAS 227

We Shall Overcome

Words: Traditional; Music: Negro Spiritual; arr. Horace Clarence Boyer (1935-2009)

We shall o - ver - come, We shall o - ver - come,

We shall o - ver - come some - day; Oh,

deep in my heart, I do be - lieve, (Oh)

We shall o - ver - come some - day. day.

1.-4. 5.

2. We'll walk hand in hand, today.
3. God is on our side, today.

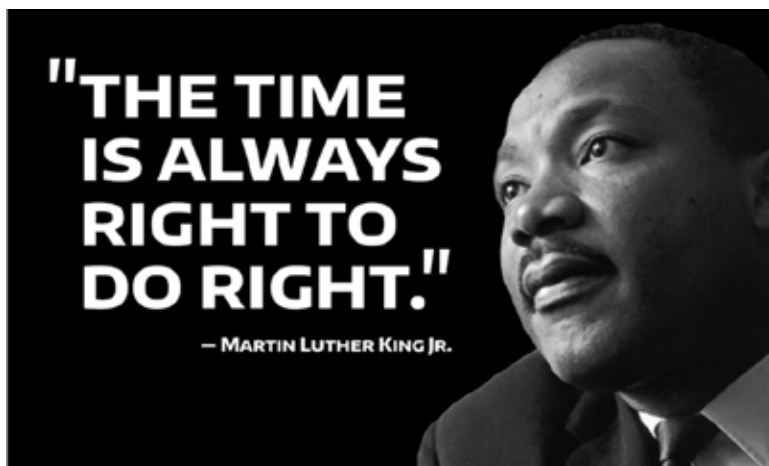
4. We are not afraid, today.
5. We shall live in peace, someday.

POSTLUDE

Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound

Bailey Myers, piano

arr. Mark Hayes
Tune: *New Britain, Virginia Harmony*, 1831



COMMEMORATION OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.'S LIFE

To commemorate the life and service of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the Conversations on Race group offers an excerpt from Dr. King's "Letter from a Birmingham Jail," dated April 16, 1963. We also provide links to various websites for different service activities available at the end.

In this Letter, Dr. King was responding to a recent statement from fellow clergymen calling his present activities as "unwise" and "untimely." He explains that he is in Birmingham at the invitation of the Alabama Christian Movement on Human Rights. But more importantly he is in Birmingham because injustice is there. He talks about just law and unjust law, whether on its face or in its application, and the necessity of civil disobedience. His words are still relevant today:

"More and more I feel that the people of ill will have used time much more effectively than have the people of good will. We will have to repent in this generation not merely for the hateful words and actions of the bad people but for the appalling silence of the good people. Human progress never rolls in on the wheels of inevitability; it comes through the tireless efforts of men willing to be co workers with God and without this hard work, time itself becomes an ally of the forces of social stagnation. We must use time creatively, in the knowledge that the time is always ripe to do right. Now is the time to make real the promise of democracy and transform our pending national elegy into a creative psalm of brotherhood. Now is the time to lift our national policy from the quicksand of racial injustice to the solid rock of human dignity."

"Letter from a Birmingham Jail" https://www.africa.upenn.edu/Articles_Gen/Letter_Birmingham.html

LINKS FOR SERVICE – "MAKE IT A DAY ON, NOT A DAY OFF!"

The first and second are from Montgomery County.

<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/volunteercenter/volunteers/MLK.html>

<https://montgomerycmd.blogspot.com/2022/01/park-cleanups-among-opportunities.html>

The third is from the Cathedral, "Where Do We Go From Here," which originated last April:

<https://cathedral.org/outreach-programs/>

The fourth is from Shepherds Table:

<https://www.shepherdstable.org/volunteer-opportunities/>

ANNOUNCEMENTS • JANUARY 16TH, 2022

PICK AN EVENING!

ONLINE DISCUSSIONS - PROPOSED REVISIONS TO OUR BYLAWS

Wednesday, January 19th, 2022 • 7:30–8:30 PM

The Vestry asks you to join this meeting to ask any questions about the proposed revisions to our bylaws. This meeting (and the one last week) are the time to discuss the proposed changes. The first order of business at our Annual Meeting will be to vote on the proposed revisions to our bylaws. If the proposed revisions are accepted, then those bylaws will govern the meeting.

The draft, thoughtfully prepared by your Vestry and reviewed by the Diocese, and a Summary of Bylaws Revisions are attached. The revisions seek to modernize and accurately reflect our practices and governing requirements and to provide more flexibility.

[DRAFT REVISED BY-LAWS](#)

[SUMMARY OF REVISED BY-LAWS](#)

Questions? Contact Jane Alperson, Senior Warden at janea1212@gmail.com

Zoom link for either meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4679340905>

PICK AN EVENING

ONLINE EVENING OF ASCENSION STORYTELLING

(As part of our Tending our Soil Initiative)

Monday, January 24th, Or Thursday, January 27th, 2022

7:30-9 PM

ZOOM LINKS UPCOMING

Questions for reflection:

When did you come to Ascension? What keeps you at Ascension?

Name one highlight from your time at Ascension?

Name one low point from your time at Ascension?

A time to pray, connect, reflect, and engage in good discussion.

ALL WELCOME – OLDTIMERS and NEW MEMBERS!

SAVE THE DATE! • ONLINE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6TH • 1–2:30 PM

Included in the Agenda:

Vote on the proposed 2022 budget!

Vote on the proposed bylaws revisions!

Vote for new Vestry members!

Zoom link and meeting materials to be provided.

Mustard Seed Ministry Opportunities • January 2022



Ascension's Mustard Seed Ministry offers simple moments of ministry that are easy to complete, often from the comfort of your own home. Don't know what to do to combat the hate and need you see all around you? Choose one or more of the Mustard Seed opportunities below!

- **NEW Help sort clothing at the Bethesda Hyatt** for newly arrived Afghan immigrants. Please contact Rev. Terri for details.
- **Tommy's Pantry**, volunteer to help at Ascension on Saturdays to prep and distribute food to needy neighbors. <https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/10c0a4aafa72fa0f58-gift>.
- **Volunteer to help the Adventist Community Center** sort supplies for refugee families
- **Casserole Ministry**. Please help us feed the local needy. Shepherd's Table asks that rather than making a casserole for Shepherd's Table, you donate the cost of making one (\$10), to Shepherd's Table. Please let Carol Schwobel know of your donation. Cjs_skye@hotmail.com¹
- **Knit a baby blanket, sweater, booties or caps** for Palestinian newborns at St. Luke's Hospital in Nablus, Palestine. Please drop off your items with Rev. Terri.
- **Donate time around Ascension** to help with yard clean up shoveling or mowing in the spring.
- **Drop off a \$10.00 Giant or Safeway food cards or granola bars** at services or in the mail slot in Ascension House. These are needed for street ministry. *Please note that due to the surge in omicron, the homeless walkabouts will be cancelled for January. We will assess the situation again in February.
- **Diaper Ministry to benefit Greater DC Diaper Bank**. On Sundays between 11-11:30 a.m. you can drop off items at the front door of the church. Contact Laura Schattschneider at les291@nyu.edu or Drew Snyder at drewsnyder@pobox.com for details. ⁴

In December, you donated:

1. \$590.00 (59 casseroles) to Shepherd's Table
2. \$770.00 in grocery store gift cards and 77 comfort packs to the area homeless|
3. 1219 diapers; 1300+ wipes for the D.C. Diaper Bank.



Serving This Week

SUNDAY, JANUARY 16, 2022

ONE SERVICE ONLY!

The First Sunday of Epiphany • Year C

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Joan E. Beilstein

Rector: The Rev. Dr. Joan E. Beilstein

Deacon: The Rev. Terri M. Murphy

Seminarian: Creamilda Yoda

Deacon Candidates: Adela Vasquez, Melissa Sites

Deacon Postulants: Mary Kelly, Annemarie Quigley

Director of Music Ministries: Bailey Myers

Lector: Monica Allen

Serving Next Week

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23, 2022

ONE SERVICE ONLY!

The First Sunday of Epiphany • Year C

Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Joan E. Beilstein

Preacher: The Rev. Terri M. Murphy

Rector: The Rev. Dr. Joan E. Beilstein

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Lector: Libbie Griffin



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- Jane Alperson (22), Senior Warden • Steve Fromyer (23), Junior Warden
 - Theo Emery (24) • Anne LeVeque (24)
 - Arabella Littlepage (22) • Dick Marks (22) • Chuck McCarter (24)
 - Jonathan Mengesha (23) • Laura Schattschneider (22)
 - Blaise Strandquist (23) • Sandra Sussman (23) • Joan Thomas (24)
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 - Leticia Read – Clerk of the Works
 - Leona Cosby – Treasurer • Fred Paul – Assistant Treasurer
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To submit a prayer request or add birthdays, anniversaries, and other thanksgivings to the Sunday prayer list please email:
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For peace and an end to violence and terrorism everywhere.

Our Parish Cycle of Prayer:

Denise, Nathan, Victoria and Jessica Franklin and Jason Joseph

Helen Frazer

Brenda Freeman

Beverly Quattlebaum

Steve, Mary, and Philip Fromyer, and Sean, Lucy, and Keva Smyth

For those celebrating birthdays:

January 18: Winston Braodbell, Sr.

January 19: Rebecca Schwobel

January 20: Clarence Findley, Jr.

January 21: Beatrice Lehman, Rachel Strandquist (17)

In our Diocese:

St. Peter's Church, Poolesville

Church of the Ascension and St. Agnes, DC

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

St. Timothy's Parish, DC

St. Timothy's Child Development Center, DC

In the Anglican Communion:

The Church of England

For those with HIV/AIDS everywhere, but especially in Africa.

In the World:

All with the COVID-19 virus and all who have died.

For people in need of healing

(*indicates a member of the parish; *italics*, new this week):

Virginia Allen, Gloria Alexander, Gwendolyn Alexander, Lynette Alexander, Amy Anderson, Rachel Anderson, Tina Arnold,

Florri Aversa, Dick Baker, Frank Baxter, Glen Bediaram,

Riza Bediaram, Marilyn Belmontes, Vince Belmontes,

Skip Bowling, *Yvonne Boyd, Jean Brady, *Bob Brown,

Mary Bucher, Martha Catel, Joré Yvonne Chumbley,

The Rev. Canon Paula Clark, Bishop-elect of Chicago, Jane,

Pat Cox, Jeff Crites, Angelo Del Priore¹, Margaret Taylor Del

Priore, Angelo Del Priore², Giulia Del Priore, Sofia Del Priore,

*Sally Feder, Sean Fitzsimmons, The Floyd Family,

David and Inez Frederick, Sarah Fox-Robinson, Geoff Grub,

Gloria Gunness, Kitty Hall, *Judy Haveman*, Jere Herzenberg,

*Orion Howard, *Maggie Howard, *The Huggins Family*,

The Hunte Family, Marian Humphrey, Lynn Hutcheson,

Paul Jackson, Sara Jackson, Barbara Jacobs,

*Bert Joseph, *Eastlyn Julien and Family*, *Maybelle Kagy,

Linda LeVeque, *Dana Sussman-Martin, Pat Martin,

Mike Mattson, Glenn Lehman, Les Maul, *Kathryn McCullough,

*Linda McCullough, Bob Medbery, David Meyer, Paula Moree,

*Lisa Null, Keli Pirtle, Zobida Ragbirsingh, Cynthia Roberts,

Vanessa Rios, Elaine Rutman, Val Sasmore, Severn Savage,

*April Schrock, *Carol Schwobel, *Rebecca Schwobel,

Joseph Sears, The Seaton Family, Pat Seeger, Sam Shutt,

Carol Fiddler Smith, *Martha Smith, *Joyce Sterling, The Tate

Family, *Giselle Thomas, The Thomas Family, Myrtle Thompson,

*Lorraine Van Buren, *Helen Van Doren, Adela Vasquez,

Steven White, Libby Williams, *Ginny Ripley-Wolf,

Glenn Woodley, Joyce Woody, Judah Yoda

For those who have died:

Kent Julien, cousin of Joan Thomas

George Huggins, friend of Joan Thomas

Dennis Rios, Orion Howard's uncle

Sylvia Kraemer, mother of Pete Kraemer, dear friend

of Jennifer Woods and Lisa Null

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