

# **The Epiphany**

**January 6, 2019**

**10:30 a.m. 1892 Morning Prayer and Sermon**



**ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
**Newport News, Virginia**

## **Welcome to St. Andrew's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Worship Service!**

At 11:00 AM on Sunday, January 5, 1919, 100 years and one day ago, five people gathered in Hilton Village for the first-ever worship service of what would become the congregation of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. The service was Morning Prayer, according to the 1892 *Book of Common Prayer*, and probably did not include music. At 2:30 that afternoon, 17 people gathered for Sunday School. St. Andrew's had begun.

Our Morning Prayer service this morning comes from that same 1892 *Book of Common Prayer* and includes music that would have been familiar to those first worshipers.

As we gather this morning to worship God, we give thanks for the first 100 years of this faith community and look forward together to the next 100 years, trusting that the God who has led us faithfully thus far will continue to guide our path in all the years to come. We are so glad and grateful that you have joined us for worship today.

In celebration of  
the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the First Service  
of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church,

we are using  
*The 1892 Book Of Common Prayer  
and Administration of the Sacraments  
and other Rites and Ceremonies  
of the Church together with  
The Psalter or Psalms of David*

according to the use of  
The Protestant Episcopal Church  
in the United States of America

This edition of the Common Prayer Book, the Offices, and the Articles  
was accepted by the Church in General Convention  
in Baltimore, Maryland  
October 21, 1892.

## 10:30 A.M. 1892 Morning Prayer and Sermon

Prelude *Rhapsodie II*

Camille Saint-Saens

Announcements

Processional Hymn *Brightest and best of the sons of the morning*

1. *Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,  
dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid;  
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,  
guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.*
2. *Cold on his cradle the dewdrops are shining,  
low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;  
angels adore him in slumber reclining,  
Maker and Monarch and Savior of all.*
3. *Shall we not yield him, in costly devotion,  
odors of Edom, and offerings divine,  
gems of the mountain, and pearls of the ocean,  
myrrh from the forest, and gold from the mine?*
4. *Vainly we offer each ample oblation,  
vainly with gifts would his favor secure;  
richer by far is the heart's adoration,  
dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.*
5. *Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,  
dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid;  
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,  
guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.*

The Minister shall always begin the Morning Prayer by reading Sentences of Scripture

## Opening Sentence

From the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same, my Name shall be great among the Gentiles; and in every place incense shall be offered unto my Name, and a pure offering: for my Name shall be great among the heathen, saith the Lord of hosts. (Malachi 1:11)

## Confession and Absolution

Then the Minister shall say,

Dearly beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us, in sundry places, to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we would not dissemble nor cloak them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought, at all times, humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart, and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying –

To be said by the whole Congregation, all kneeling.

***Almighty and most merciful Father: We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the***

*devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent; according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.*

To be made by the Priest alone, standing; the people still kneeling.

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness and live, hath given power, and commandment, to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins. He pardoneth and absolveth all those who truly repent, and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance, and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do at this present; and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then the Minister shall kneel, and say the Lord's Prayer; the People still kneeling, and repeating it with him.

*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 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.*

Then likewise he shall say,

O Lord, open thou our lips.  
***And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.***

Here all standing, the Minister shall say,

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
***As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.***

Praise ye the Lord.  
***The Lord's Name be praised.***

Venite, exultemus Domino (Psalm 95:1-7; 96:9, 13)

*O Come, let us sing unto the Lord, let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.*

*Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.*

*For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.*

*In his hand are all the corners of the earth, and the strength of this hills is his also.*

*The sea is his, and he made it, and his hands prepared the dry land.*

*O come, let us worship and fall down, and kneel before the Lord our Maker.*

*For he is the Lord our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.*

*O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness, let the whole earth stand in awe of him.*

*For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth, and with righteousness to judge the world, and the people with his truth.*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;*

*As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

The Psalm            72:1-7, 10-14

- 1     Give the king thy judgments, O God,  
      and thy righteousness unto the king's son.
- 2     He shall judge thy people with righteousness  
      and thy poor with judgement.
- 3     The mountains shall bring peace to the people,  
      and the little hills, by righteousness.
- 4     He shall judge the poor of the people,  
      and shall break in pieces the oppressor.
- 5     They shall fear thee as long as the sun and moon endure,  
      throughout all generations.
- 6     He shall come down like rain upon the mown grass,  
      as showers that water the earth.
- 7     In his days shall the righteous flourish;  
      and abundance of peace as long as the moon endureth.
- 10    The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall bring presents:  
      the kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts.
- 11    Yea, all kings shall fall down before him:  
      all nations shall serve him.

- 12 For he shall deliver the needy when he crieth;  
the poor also, and him that hath no helper.
- 13 He shall spare the poor and needy,  
and shall save the souls of the needy.
- 14 He shall redeem their soul from deceit and violence:  
and precious shall their blood be in his sight.

Glory to the Father, and the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen

### The First Lesson      Ephesians 3:1-12

Minister:      Here beginneth the third chapter of the Letter of Paul to the  
Ephesians:

Reader:      For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you  
Gentiles, if you have heard of the dispensation of the grace  
of God, which is given to you-ward: how that by revelation  
he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in  
few words, whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my  
knowledge in the mystery of Christ) which in other ages was  
not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed  
unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit; that the  
Gentiles should be fellow heirs, and of the same body, and  
partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel: whereof I  
was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of  
God given unto me by the effectual working of his power.  
Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this  
grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the

unsearchable riches of Christ; and to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ: to the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God, according to the eternal purpose which he purloined in Christ Jesus our Lord: in whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.

Here endeth the First Lesson.

Te Deum laudamus

*We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.  
All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting.  
To thee all Angels cry aloud, the Heavens, and all the Powers therein;  
To thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry,  
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;  
Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty of thy glory.  
The glorious company of the Apostles praise thee.  
The goodly fellowship of the Prophets praise thee.  
The noble army of Martyrs praise thee.  
The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee,  
the Father, of an infinite majesty,  
thine adorable, true, and only Son,  
also the Holy Ghost the Comforter.  
Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ.  
Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.  
When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man,  
thou didst humble thyself to be born of a Virgin.  
When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death,*

*thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers.  
Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father.  
We believe that thou shalt come to be our judge.*

*We therefore pray thee, help thy servants,  
whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.  
Make them to be numbered with thy Saints,  
in glory everlasting.*

*Lord, save thy people and bless thine heritage.*

*Govern them and lift them up for ever.*

*Day by day we magnify thee,*

*and we worship thy Name, ever, world without end.*

*O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.*

*O Lord, let thy mercy be upon us as our trust is in thee.*

*O Lord, in thee have I trusted, let me never be confounded.*

## The Second Lesson      Matthew 2:1-12

Minister:      Here beginneth the second chapter of the Gospel according to Matthew:

Reader:      Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the King, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying, “Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.” When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born. And they said unto him, “In Bethlehem of Judea: for thus it is written by the prophet, ‘And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Judea, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that

shall rule my people Israel.” The Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, “Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.” When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh. And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

Here endeth the Second Lesson.

Benedictus (Luke 1:68-79)

*Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he hath visited and redeemed  
his people;*

*And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us in the house of his  
servant David;*

*As he spake by the mouth of his holy Prophets, which have been since  
the world began;*

*That we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all  
that hate us.*

*To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers, and to remember  
his holy covenant;*

*To perform the oath which he sware to our forefather Abraham, that*

*he would give us;  
That we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies, might serve  
him without fear;  
In holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of our life.  
And thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest: for thou  
shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways;  
To give knowledge of salvation unto his people by the remission of  
their sins,  
Through the tender mercy of our God; whereby the day-spring from  
on high hath visited us.  
To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death,  
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.*

The Sermon

The Rev. Anne R. Kirchmier

Then shalt be said the Apostles' Creed by the Minister and the People, standing.

*I believe in one God the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
and of all things visible and invisible.  
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God;  
begotten of his Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God;  
Begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made:  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man,  
and was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered and was buried.*

*And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father.  
And he shall come again, with glory,  
to judge both the quick and the dead,  
whose kingdom shall have no end.*

*And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life,  
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together  
is worshipped and glorified,  
who spake by the Prophets,  
And I believe one Catholic and Apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the Resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

*And after that, these Prayers following, all devoutly kneeling; the Minister first pronouncing,*

The Lord be with you.

***And with thy spirit.***

Let us pray.

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

***And grant us thy salvation.***

O God, make clean our hearts within us.

***And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.***

*Then shall follow the Collect of the day.*

O God, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy only-begotten Son to the Gentiles: Mercifully grant that we, who know thee now by faith, may after this life have the fruition of thy

glorious Godhead, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Reader: *A Collect for Peace*

O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*A Collect for Grace*

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that we, being ordered by thy governance, may do always what is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*A Prayer for The President of the United States and All in Civil Authority*

O Lord our Governor, whose glory is in all the world: We commend this nation to thy merciful care, that, being guided by thy Providence, we may dwell secure in thy peace. Grant to the President of the United States, the Governor of this Commonwealth, and to all in authority, wisdom and strength to know and to do thy will. Fill them with the love of truth and righteousness, and make them ever mindful of their calling to serve this people in thy fear; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

*All: A General Thanksgiving*

*Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we thine unworthy servants  
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks  
for all thy goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all men.*

*We bless thee for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for thine inestimable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ,  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.*

*And, we beseech thee,  
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,  
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;  
and that we show forth thy praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to thy service,  
and by walking before thee  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,  
be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.*

Offertory

*From the Rising of the Sun*

Gore Ouseley

Minister: *A Prayer of St. Chrysostom*

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee, and hast promised that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in

the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

*A Prayer for the Clergy and People*

Almighty and everlasting God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift: Send down upon our Bishops, and other clergy, and upon the Congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of thy grace; and, that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing. Grant this, O Lord, for the honor of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

*A Prayer for All Conditions of Men*

O God, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of men; that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations. More especially we pray for thy holy Church universal; that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally, we commend to thy fatherly goodness all those who are in any ways afflicted or distressed, in mind body, or estate; especially those for whom our prayers are desired...; that it may please thee to comfort and relieve them, according to their several necessities, giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. And this we beg for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

Recessional Hymn

*As with gladness men of old*

1. *As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold;  
as with joy they hail'd its light, leading onward, beaming bright:  
so most gracious Lord, may we evermore be led to thee.*
2. *As with joyful steps they sped to that lowly manger-bed;  
there to bend the knee before him whom heaven and earth adore;  
so may we with willing feet ever seek thy mercy-seat.*
3. *As they offered gifts most rare at that manger rude and bare;  
so may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy,  
all our costliest treasures bring, Christ! to thee our heavenly King.*
4. *Holy Jesus! every day keep us in the narrow way;  
and, when earthly things are past, bring our ransomed souls at last  
where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glory hide.*
5. *In the heavenly country bright, need they no created light;  
thou its Light, its Joy, its Crown, thou its Sun which goes not down,  
there for ever may we sing Alleluias to our King.*

Minister: Let us bless the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Minister: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore.  
**Amen.**

Voluntary *Postlude - Cantique*

Theodore Dubois

## **Service Participants**

The Rev. Anne R. Kirchmier

The Rev. Lorna H. Williams

**Lay Readers:** Al Roby, Judy Carey

**Acolytes:** Jake Batcha, Susan Sale, Grace Duregger, Emmeline Batcha

**Ushers:** Terry Wolak, Butch Woodall, Bill Clock, Joel Duregger

**Greeters:** The Waddill family

**Children's Chapel:** The Rev. Lorna Williams

## **Announcements**

### **Reception**

Please join us immediately following the service for cake and punch in the Parish Hall as we begin a year of celebrating our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

### **Sunday Christian Formation**

- Children's Chapel, in the Day School Library, begins following the reading of the Gospel during the 10:30 a.m. service.
- The Episcopal Youth Community meets today at noon in the Parish Hall.
- Next Sunday, join the Adult Forum at 9:15 a.m. in the Parish Hall for the Good Book Club study of the Letter of Paul to the Romans. (See the article below.)

## **Epiphany and Chalking**

Sunday January 6 is the Feast of the Epiphany, when the church celebrates the manifestation of Jesus to the Gentiles through the visit of the Wise Men or Magi bearing gifts for the Baby Jesus. There are several traditions connected to the feast, and among them is the blessing of homes and “chalking the door.”

During EYC this Sunday, we will celebrate the Epiphany with a brief blessing service and the youth will write in chalk above a few entrances in the church building the following: 20+C+M+B+19. The numbers stand for the year we are in: 2019. The letters stand for the initials of the Magi: Caspar, Malchior, and Balthazar. The plus signs represent the cross. This inscription is a request for Christ to bless anywhere so marked and that he stay with those who are there throughout the year. So, look for the inscription above the doors that lead to the Parish Office, the Youth Room and the Parish Hall.

## **Good Book Club: Paul’s Letter to the Romans**

Beginning today, the Adult Forum began to read Paul’s Letter to the Romans. The Good Book Club has divided Romans into 50 daily readings. Each day, participants are invited to read, reflect, and pray upon a few verses of Romans. During the Sunday morning Adult Forum January 6 through March 3, we’ll take a look at the readings for the week ahead and talk about what Paul’s letter has to say to us today about being a disciple of Christ. You can download the list of daily readings and access lots of helpful resources at [www.goodbookclub.org](http://www.goodbookclub.org).

## **2019 Offering Envelopes**

If you requested 2019 offering envelopes and have not picked them up, they are available in the cloak room off the River Road entrance to the church.

Today's bulletin cover is curtesy of Catherine Frey.