

# KNOWING the Savior ALIGNING with the Lord SEEING the Kingdom come

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# The First Sunday of Epiphany

Sunday, January 10, 2021

8:30 and 10:00 a.m.

# Welcome to our Worship Service

# Giving to St. Helena's

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. Please keep your offering as part of your spiritual practice. You can give online by visiting <a href="https://www.StHelenas1712.org">www.StHelenas1712.org</a> (click the blue "Give Online" button on the homepage) or by texting the number (843) 202-4739. You can also mail your check to the Parish Church of St. Helena, PO Box 1043, Beaufort, SC 29901.

# **Order of Worship**

**Prelude:** (8:30) Prelude on the Introit for Epiphany M. Duruflé

Welcome

**Opening Hymn:** Songs of Thankfulness and Praise Salzburg

Songs of thankfulness and praise, Jesus, Lord, to thee we raise, Manifested by the star to the sages from afar; Branch of royal David's stem in thy birth at Bethlehem; Anthems be to thee addressed, God in man made manifest.

Manifest at Jordan's stream, Prophet, Priest, and King supreme; And at Cana, wedding-guest, in thy Godhead manifest; Manifest in pow'r divine, changing water into wine; Anthems be to thee addressed, God in man made manifest.

Manifest in making whole palsied limbs and fainting soul; Manifest in valiant fight, quelling all the devil's might; Manifest in gracious will, ever bringing good from ill; Anthems be to thee addressed, God in man made manifest.

Grant us grace to see thee, Lord, mirrored in thy holy Word; May we imitate thee now, and be pure, as pure art thou; That we like to thee may be at thy great epiphany, And may praise thee, ever blest, God in man made manifest.

Celebrant: Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy

Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.

Amen.

#### The celebrant prays:

#### 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 Summary of the Law

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

Matthew 22:37-40



Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

## The Collect of the Day (Remain standing)

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. *Amen*.

# Please be seated for the reading of God's Word.

#### First Reading: Ephesians 3:1-13

<sup>1</sup> For this reason I, Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus on behalf of you Gentiles—<sup>2</sup> assuming that you have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for you, 3 how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I have written briefly. 4When you read this, you can perceive my insight into the mystery of Christ, 5 which was not made known to the sons of men in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit. 6 This mystery is that the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. 7 Of this gospel I was made a minister according to the gift of God's grace, which was given me by the working of his power. 8 To me, though I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, <sup>9</sup> and to bring to light for everyone what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things, <sup>10</sup> so that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. 11 This was according to the eternal purpose that he has realized in Christ Jesus our

Lord, <sup>12</sup> in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through our faith in him. <sup>13</sup> So I ask you not to lose heart over what I am suffering for you, which is your glory.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

#### Please stand for the reading of the Gospel.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according

to St. Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

#### The Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

<sup>1</sup> Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, <sup>2</sup> saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." 3 When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; 4 and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. 5 They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet: 6 "'And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel." <sup>7</sup> Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. 8 And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him." 9 After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. 10 When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. 11 And going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold

and frankincense and myrrh. <sup>12</sup> And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**Sermon:** The Rev. Joe Lawrence

The Prayers of the People (*Kneeling or seated as you are able*)

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer."

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: **People:** Hear our prayer.

For Foley, our Archbishop, and Mark, our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of our diocese and congregation.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: **People:** Hear our prayer.

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: **People:** Hear our prayer.

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: **People:** Hear our prayer.

For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: **People:** Hear our prayer.

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially those on our parish prayer list.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: **People:** Hear our prayer.

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, especially for David Crowley, Bettye Lee Mitchell, Edwin Steven Patterson, and Robert Tremonte, in thanksgiving let us pray.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: **People:** Hear our prayer.

#### The celebrant concludes:

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.* 

#### The Confession and Absolution of Sin

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker and judge of us all: We acknowledge and lament our many sins and offenses, which we have committed by thought, word, and deed against your divine majesty, provoking most justly your righteous anger against us. We are deeply sorry for these our transgressions; the burden of them is more than we can bear. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may evermore serve and please you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The priest says:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

#### The Peace

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with your spirit.

#### Announcements

# The Holy Communion

**Offertory Hymn:** (8:30) We Three Kings Three Kings of Orient

*Men:* We three kings of Orient are,

Bearing gifts we traverse afar,

Field and fountain, Moor and mountain, Following yonder star.

All - Refrain: O star of wonder, star of night,

Star with royal beauty bright;

Westward leading, still proceeding,

Guide us to thy perfect light!

All: Glorious now behold him arise,

King and God and Sacrifice;

Heav'n sings

Alleluia:

Alleluia the earth replies. Refrain.

## Please stand as you are able.

#### The Sursum Corda

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And with your spirit. Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People:** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

#### The Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory: glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Kneeling or seated as you are able.

#### The Prayer of Consecration

# The Lord's Prayer

#### The Fraction

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover Lamb has been

sacrificed, once for all upon the Cross.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

#### The Prayer of Humble Access

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

#### The Invitation

Celebrant: 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.

#### The Ministration of Communion

**Communion Response:** What Child Is This Greensleeves

What child is this, who, laid to rest, On Mary's lap is sleeping? Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, While shepherds watch are keeping?

Refrain: This, this is Christ the King,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing:
Haste, haste to bring him laud,
The babe, the son of Mary.

So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh; Come, peasant, king, to own him. The King of kings salvation brings; Let loving hearts enthrone him. *Refrain*.

## The Post Communion Prayer

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us, through this Sacrament, of your favor and goodness towards us: that we are true members of the mystical body of your Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of your everlasting kingdom. And we humbly ask you, heavenly Father, to assist us with your grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all the good works that you have prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

## The Blessing

**Closing Hymn:** As With Gladness, Men of Old Dix

As with gladness men of old Did the guiding star behold, As with joy they hailed its light, Leading onward, beaming bright, So, most gracious Lord, may we Evermore be led to thee.

As with joyful steps they sped To that lowly manger-bed, There to bend the knee before Him whom heav'n and earth adore; So may we with willing feet Ever seek the mercy-seat.

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 heav'nly King. Holy Jesus, ev'ry 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.

#### The Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the

power of the Holy Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Postlude:** (8:30) Improvisation on *Dix* arr. M. Burkhardt

Please take your bulletin with you and be mindful of social-distancing recommendations as you leave.

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# From the Tuesday eNews

News from the Parish Church of St. Helena ‡ An Anglican Congregation

- 1928 Worship Service, Wednesdays at 5 pm
- Annual Vision Meeting Tuesday, Jan. 26, 6:30 pm-8 pm via ZOOM
- Words of Encouragement, Tuesday and Thursday at noon on Facebook live and at www.sthelenas1712.org
- If you requested offering evelopes for 2021, they are available for pick-up in the Parish Hall Lobby
- Family Night returns Wednesday, Jan. 20, 5:30 pm-6:30 pm
- Thursday Equip, Thursday, 5:30 pm-6:30 pm
- GriefShare begins Wednesday, Jan. 27, 10 am-noon in the Latimer room of the Parish Hall
- LOVE Beaufort Service Day, Saturday, Jan. 30

#### Sunday Worship Service Updates

- Remember to make reservations for the 8:30 am Sunday worship service by 3:30 pm each Friday
- Live-stream available Sundays at 8:30 am and on our website by 10 am each Sunday
- 5 pm service IN RECESS and will return Sunday, Jan. 31

The eNews is distributed at 3 pm Tuesday of each week. Check your inbox for more details on events and news around campus.

# This Week's Prayer List

#### Let light perpetual shine upon them ...

David Crowley, Bettye Lee Mitchell, Edwin Steven Patterson, and Robert Tremonte

#### Thanks to Almighty God for the gift of children ...

Sawyer Lewis O'Farrell son of Bradshaw and Jordan O'Farrell grandson of Fleetwood Bradshaw

#### High altar flowers

are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of of the deceased members of the Mitchell family.

#### Flowers at the baptismal font

are given by Shirley Parsons to the glory of God and in grateful thanksgiving for the people of St. Helena.

Please pray for all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially the following:

For those in our parish family: Jim Andrews, Elsa and Jere Ayers, Becky Baldwin, Doris Bland, Mary Grey Boatwright, Lonny and Tedda Burton, Tamy Cargill, Susan Cato, Sarah Christofek, Jack Clark, Harry Councell, Carroll Crowther, Brooke Curtis, Wyatt deTreville, Anna Diaz, Bill Elliott, John Ellsworth, Biddie Fox, Frank Giammona, Kay Gorse, Angel Gray, Stephanie Gulbrandsen, Darcy Heidt, Maude Hornsby, Lori and Bob Jackson, Lin Johnson, Ross and Celeste Jones, Carol Kamm, Chuck and Carole Knapp, Steve and Beverly Melvin, Sally Miller, Steve Mix, Margy Oehlert, Debbie Parker, Doadie Parker, Anne Pinckney, Annie Pollak, Ric Schwank, Tommy Schwank, Keith Strawn, Shirley Sutton, Patti Teter, Jani and Annie Ubelis, Betty Walsh, and Ray Williams.

For extended family or friends of our parish family: Sally Babin, Peter Balsam, Jessica Bass, Eva, Ron and Francis Blais; Jan Bodnar,

Morgan Bradley, Ashley Bush, Ben Byrne, Andrea Cain, Jean Carlson, Meghan Carter, Lorraine Chavez, Brian Cook, Joe Credle, Brendon Dasher, Ashley Demosthanes, Angela Devine, Zachariah Driggers, Dave Farrior, Bill and Judy Gaines, Jayna Gibson, Veena Goburdhun, Robert Gould, Brad Grove, Hume and Virginia Guerard, Warren Halstead, Christopher Hathaway, Clint Heyd, Linda Heyd, Hyatt family, Janelle, Steve King, Mike Johnston, Crawford and Phyllis Kennedy, Lou Lachicotte, Martha Lachicotte, Peggy Leadholt, Tammy Lentner and family, Gage Lowe, Ashleigh McGillivray, Anne Merritt, John Meyer, Zoran and Annie Misic, Milledge Morris, Norton Family, Wade and Peggy Otey, Cheryl Parker, Sarah Pergande, Stuart Mitchell Philp, Debbie Pollak, Pete Pratt, Karen Ranieri, Joe Ritchie, Bruce Roberts and Family, Schnieder family, Connie Chesnutt Simmons, Sarah Smith, Debbie Steed, Lettie Stoops, Mary Sumner, Jon Thomforde, Christopher Thompson, Agnes Truluck, Jason Ward, Vergie Watson, and Bernadette and Bob Wilks.

# For all our U.S. service members defending our country, especially the following who are deployed overseas:

Tommy Bardenwerper, Robert Batts, Rodney Parker, Austin Sneed, and Michael Joseph Tollison.

For these expectant parents: Julia and CR Cumbee (via adoption), Marie and Bill Payne, Mary Beth (Mitchell) and David Powell, and Gretchen and Jamie Sosnowski (via adoption).

#### For our foreign and local missionaries supported by St. Helena's:

Fr. John, Kim, Philip, Roger and Joanne Griffin, Lacy, Marentes, Todd and Patsy McGregor, and Carolyn Wolfenbarger.

Names on the prayer list are the initial communication to the clergy of a need for prayer. In order to keep the list current, names remain on the list for 30 days. Expectant parents remain on the list until their children are born and deployed military until they return home. Please fill out an online Prayer Request form or call the church office at (843) 522-1712 to submit a prayer request and inform the clergy of hospitalizations. Updated 1/7/2021

For pastoral care concerns for yourself or another parishioner, please contact Anne Mitchell, our Pastoral Care Coordinator, at (843) 575-1780 or email her at <a href="mailto:amitchell@sthelenas1712.org">amitchell@sthelenas1712.org</a>.

# Participating in the Service:

The Rev. Shay Gaillard, Rector
The Rev. Joe Lawrence, Associate Rector
The Rt. Rev. Alden Hathaway, Bishop in Residence
The Rev. Keith O'Neal, Deacon (8:30)
The Rev. Jim Cato, Deacon (10:00)
Jeff Harbin, Choirmaster and Organist (8:30)
John and Estee Hermesmann, Musicians (10:00)
The Parish Choir and the Choir of Boys and Girls (8:30)
Rae Ream, Lector (8:30)
John Barber, Lector (10:00)

#### **Our Vision**

St. Helena's will boldly proclaim the saving Gospel and Lordship of Jesus Christ, and through intentional discipleship, will raise up servant leaders and worshipping communities in Beaufort and beyond, seeing the Kingdom come.

# The Parish Church of St. Helena

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