

Welcome to
The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd



THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

JANUARY 16, 2022

8:00 AM, THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

Welcome to the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd!

COVID-19 Precautions

Please wear a mask for the safety of others. Thank you.

Visitors

Welcome! We're glad to have you worship with us. If you'd like to learn more about this community of faith and our different ministries, fill out one of our visitor cards (in the pews) and hand it to an usher.

Restrooms

Exit through the courtyard. A family restroom is available to your right in the Worsham Hall building as soon as you go through the glass door.

Ask an usher if you need any assistance.

Stay Connected

Follow us on Facebook or Instagram. Our Facebook page is "The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd - Jacksonville, Florida" and we're on Instagram as "goodshepherdjaxchurch."

Our website is gsjax.church.

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Celebrant
People

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant

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.**

GLORIA

Celebrant and People

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant
People

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect

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.**

Please be seated.

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 62:1-5

Reader: A reading from the Book of 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 36:5-10

Celebrant and the People read the psalm by half verse.

⁵Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens, *
and your faithfulness to the clouds.

⁶Your righteousness is like the strong mountains,
your justice like the great deep; *
you save both man and beast, O LORD.

⁷How priceless is your love, O God! *
your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

⁸They feast upon the abundance of your house; *
you give them drink from the river of your delights.

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

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

THE EPISTLE: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Reader: A reading from 1 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand.

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto

thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Michael Curry, John Howard, our priests Brent Owens and Elyse Gustafson, and our postulant Teri Calinao, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land especially our president, Joe Biden; our governor, Ron DeSantis; and our mayor, Lenny Curry, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor, especially for John, Skye, Kathleen, Missy, Peter, Brandon, Yevgeniya, Julie, Erwin, Courtney, Rodman, Allison, Polly, Lawrence, Jennifer, Ann, Brian, Lisa, Nancy, Ted, Sally, Randall, Ingo, John, Glenn, Ruth, Constantine, Gail, Art, Patricia, E. G., Judy, Dorothy, Ellen, and Shirley, and all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially for George, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant

Let us humbly confess our sins unto almighty God.

Celebrant and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. **Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

Celebrant

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto 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

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And with thy spirit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER II

The people stand.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

The Celebrant continues

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Celebrant and People

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.

The people kneel or stand. Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

People and Celebrant

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

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant and People

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.**

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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

A blessing is offered and the people respond Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Altar Flowers

Given by Chris Mitchell and Jonathan Crews
to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Jim Taylor and Denny Clark

Special Prayers

We pray for peace throughout the world.

We pray for our companion dioceses of Cuba and Peru, and especially for our companion parish, The Church of the Annunciation in Florida, Cuba.

We pray those in our diocese, especially for: Grace Episcopal Church, Orange Park; Church of the Advent, Tallahassee; St. George Episcopal Church, Jacksonville; St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church, Jacksonville; St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Palatka; Community of the Transformation, St. John's Detention Center.

We give thanks and pray for the safety of all healthcare workers during this time of the COVID-19 pandemic, especially for: Dean, Karen, George, Alan, Naya, Jay, Lysa, Tony, Tom, Brett, Susanna C., MacLean Nasrallah, Ilya Nasrallah.

We give thanks and pray for all the frontline workers.

We pray for those in need of healing, strength or guidance, especially for:

John Conder, Kathleen, Skye Carroll, Missy L., Peter Flood, Brandon Centerwall, Yevgeniya, Julie Beasley, Erwin Cascante, Courtney, Rodman, Allison DeFoor, Polly, Lawrence, Jennifer Keen, Ann Ottesen, Lisa, Nancy, Ted, Sally McKeithen, Randall Burke, Ingo, John, Glenn, Ruth, Constantine, Gail Dunn, Art Jennette, Patricia Lee, E. G. Newsom, Judy Martin, Dorothy, Ellen, Shirley Walters, and our postulant Teri Calinao and husband George.

We pray for those affected by COVID-19, and for those who have died from the virus.

**We pray for those who have died, especially for George Martin.
May their souls, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.**

We pray for all who are serving in our Armed Forces and Intelligence Services, both at home and abroad, especially for: Rich, Ashton, Zachary, Brooker, Caleb, Charlie, Erik, Katie, Bradley Williams, Thomas Crouch, Jonathan Ubl, Channing Mattix, Warren Butler.

We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week, especially for

Chris Schappals	January 17
Dale Gilbreath	January 17
Charles Keyser	January 19
Duncan Sawyer	January 22
Peggy Williams	January 22

We give thanks for those celebrating anniversaries this week.

Announcements

Parish Office Closed in Observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 17 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. We remember Dr. King and his legacy on this day.

Annual Parish Meeting: Save The Date!

Good Shepherd's Annual Parish Meeting will be on **Sunday, February 27**, following the 10:00 am service. We will gather in Betsy Lovett Hall for a potluck lunch, a review of the past year at Good Shepherd, and to vote for Vestry members and a Convention Delegate and Alternate.

Vestry and Convention Delegate Nominations Needed

We are seeking members to put their names forward for election to the Vestry or to be a Convention Delegate and a Convention Alternate. Three candidates will be elected to 3-year terms as the terms of Paul Arrington, Maureen Ely, and Fran Wulbern are expiring. The Convention Delegate and Alternate serve a 2-year term. The Nominating Committee is Paul Arrington, Maureen Ely, Fran Wulbern, John Zell, and John Bunker.

1. The election will be on Sunday, February 27 at the Annual Parish Meeting. Absentee voting by electronic or paper ballot will be available by request to Parish Administrator, Gina Olson, 10 days before February 27, and such absentee ballots must be received by 5:00 pm on Friday, February 25.
2. For those who are prayerfully discerning God's call to the leadership of this Church:
 - **What is the Vestry and what do they do?** Good Shepherd's Vestry is an elected working board. There is more involved than meeting once a month. The Vestry members have specific tasks and ministries they are asked to perform or be involved in, there are financial and other documents that require careful reading before each meeting, and significant matters are considered and decided. Preparation and bringing our best God-given gifts and abilities to this ministry are essential. The Vestry is responsible for caring for the physical

property and the finances of the Church along with other Canonical duties as they work with the Rector and laity to further the purposes of Good Shepherd.

- **What does the Convention Delegate do?** The Convention Delegate represents Good Shepherd at the convention for the Diocese of Florida. The Alternate serves as the Delegate if the original Delegate is unable to serve.
- **Who can run?** Any adult (18 or older), who is a confirmed or received communicant in good standing, who is “known to the treasurer” (contributes financially each year), and faithful in worship.
- **How can I be nominated?** Eligible members may self-nominate or be nominated by another communicant in good standing. All who are nominated and meet the qualifications for Vestry or Delegate will be on the ballot. Please contact Paul Arrington, Senior Warden, at parrington100@gmail.com or (904) 386-3576 to be nominated or if you have questions about serving on the Vestry.
- **When is the deadline to be nominated?** The deadline for nominations for Vestry and Delegate is **February 4, 2022**. The deadline for submitting a short bio for publication to the parish is **February 6, 2022**. There shall be no nominations from the floor at the Annual Parish Meeting.

During the Week

Wednesday Noon Bible Study in Craig Lounge only

A new study of Exodus begins on Wednesday, January 19. Julie Davis leads this study and we will use resources from *The Good Book Club*.

Wednesday Evening Compline on YouTube

Visit our YouTube channel at or after 7:00 pm each Wednesday for a service of Compline. Services are led by different people each week. These services are brief and a good way to find peace after a long day.

Altar Flowers for 2022

Approaching Available Dates: January 23, January 30, February 13

There is a flower chart in the Narthex (back part of the church). You can now sign up there. Altar flowers are \$75. Please indicate "altar flowers" in the memo line if you pay by check or in the drop-down menu if you pay through Realm. Send an email to welcome@gsjax.church with your dedication (usually in memory/honor/thanksgiving of someone) or call the parish office.

Would you like to write cards to parishioners who are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries?

We're looking for some more volunteers to help with this ministry. Cards, envelopes, and postage will all be supplied by the office. If you're interested, please send an email to Gina Olson at golson@gsjax.church or call the parish office at (904) 387-5691.

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Weekly Calendar

Monday, January 17th

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Parish Office Closed

Wednesday, January 19th

12:00 pm Noon Bible Study in Craig Lounge only

7:00 pm Compline on YouTube

Sunday, January 23rd

The Third Sunday After the Epiphany

8:00 am The Holy Eucharist, Rite I in the Chapel

9:00 am Bible Study in Craig Lounge (and by Zoom)

9:50 am Children's Sunday School in Early Learning Center Classroom

10:00 am The Holy Eucharist, Rite II in the Church and on YouTube

Our YouTube videos will remain available to watch after the time they premiere.

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