

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

## THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD BAPTISM OF EMERSON ROSE MURPHY January 12, 2025 10:00 AM

#### VISION STATEMENT

We seek to form Beloved Community, which is welcoming and diverse, with Christian worship and service at the heart.

#### MISSION STATEMENT

We feed people in body, mind and spirit with the love of God, in the name of Jesus, and by the power of the Holy Spirit.

#### CORE VALUES

Beloved Community + Loving Service + Sacred Space + Spirit Filled + Sustainability

## THE GATHERING RITE

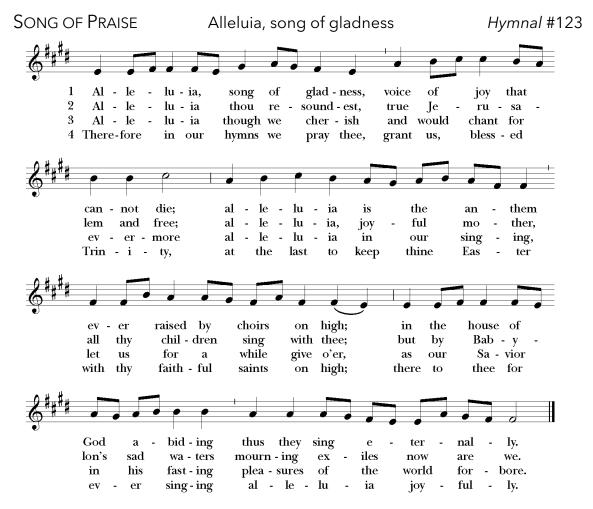


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#### **ENTRANCE RITE**

#### **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

Presider	Blessed be the One, holy and living God.
People	Glory to God for ever and ever.
Presider	There is on Body and one Spirit;
People	There is one hope in God's call to us;
Presider	One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People	One God and Father of all.



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COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Presider* God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider

r Let us pray. Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen**.

## THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON seated

Isaiah 43:1-7

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

LectorHear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.PeopleThanks be to God.

PSALM 29

Ascribe to God, you heavenly beings, \* ascribe to God glory and strength.

#### Ascribe due honor to God's holy Name; \* worship the Most High in the beauty of holiness.

The voice of God is upon the waters;

the God of glory thunders; \* God is upon the mighty waters.

# The voice of God is a powerful voice; \* the voice of God is a voice of splendor.

The voice of God breaks the cedar trees; \* God breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

#### God makes Lebanon skip like a calf \* and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

The voice of God splits the flames of fire;

the voice of God shakes the wilderness; \* God shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

# The voice of God makes the oak trees writhe \* and strips the forests bare.

And in the temple of the Holy One, \* all are crying, "Glory!"

# God sits enthroned above the flood, \* enthroned for evermore.

God shall give strength to the people; \* God shall give the people the blessing of peace.

#### The Second Lesson

Acts 8:14-17

Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

*Lector* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Lord Jesus Christ



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THE HOLY GOSPEL standing

PresiderThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

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

Sermon

The Rev. Peter Rodgers

#### PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

Presider	The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.
Parents	We present Emerson Rose Murphy to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.
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Presider	Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is
	brought up in the Christian faith and life?
Parents	I will with God's help.
Presider	Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow
	into the full stature of Christ?
Parents	I will with God's help.

The Celebrant asks the following questions of the parents who will speak on behalf of the child.

Question	Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness
	that rebel against God?

Answer	I renounce them.
Question	Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?
Answer	I renounce them.
Question	Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?
Answer	I renounce them.
Question	Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?
Answer	I do.
Question	Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?
Answer	I do.
Question	Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?
Answer	l do.
The Preside	er addresses the congregation, saying:
Presider	Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this child in their life in Christ?
People	We will.
Presider	Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

#### THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Presider	Do you believe in God the Father?
People	I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
Presider	Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
People	I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
Presider	Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
People	I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Presider	Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?
People	I will, with God's help.
Presider	Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
People	I will, with God's help.

Presider	Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
People	I will, with God's help.
Presider	Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People	I will, with God's help.
Presider	Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
People	I will, with God's help.
Presider	Will you cherish the wondrous works of God, and protect the beauty and integrity of all creation?
People	I will, with God's help.

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

The Presider then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for this child who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Leader	Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.
Leader	Open their <i>hearts</i> to your grace and truth.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.
Leader	Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.
Leader	Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader	Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.
Leader	Send them into the world in witness to your love.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.
Leader	Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.

#### The Celebrant says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. *Amen*.

#### THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

#### People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*Presider* We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

> We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen**.

#### Baptism

The candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant who then immerses, or pours water upon, the candidate, saying

Emerson Rose, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen*.

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon *these* your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised *them* to the new life of grace. Sustain *them*, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give *them* an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen**.

Emmy, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. **Amen**.

#### The Celebrant says

Let us welcome the newly baptized together with these words:

# All We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The Peace

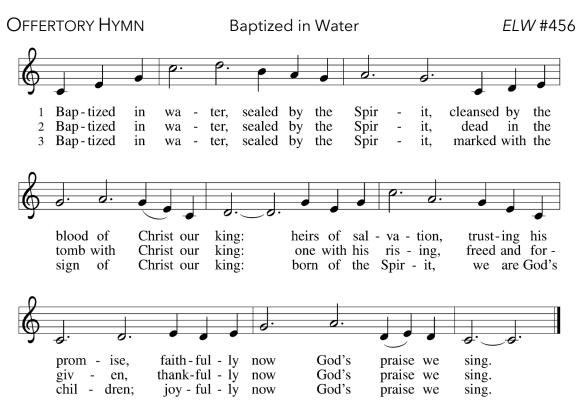
*Presider* The peace of Christ be always with you.

#### People And also with you.

The People offer a greeting of peace to one another.

Kids' Word

ANNOUNCEMENTS, BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND SPECIAL PRAYERS



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#### DOXOLOGY HYMN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

In the Holy Communion we experience the Real Presence of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. All adults and children who desire to receive are encouraged to come forward to receive.

#### THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

PresiderMay God be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.PresiderLift up your hearts.PeopleWe lift them to God.PresiderLet us give thanks to the One who created us.PeopleIt is right to give God thanks and praise.

The prayer continues until

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



The prayer continues until

*Presider* For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:

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

- *Presider* Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.
- All Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

*Presider* Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we who share in Christ's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

#### All Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

Presider Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.
Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

#### All Amen.

#### The Lord's Prayer

Presider	As Christ teaches us we pray,
All	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

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. Silence may be observed.

- *Presider* We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.
- People We who are many, are one body for we all share the one bread.

PRAYER FOR THOSE WORSHIPING AT HOME

O Christ, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

#### THE INVITATION AND COMMUNION

*Presider* The gifts of God for the people of God: Holy Things for Holy People *People* **May we who share these gifts be found in Christ and Christ in us**.

All are welcome to the meal where Christ is present in bread and wine. The ushers will guide you to form a line up the center aisle. You may choose to receive a sealed packet containing both consecrated wine and wafer, or you may take a piece of bread and receive the common cup. Gluten free options are available.

### THE CONCLUDING RITE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION standing

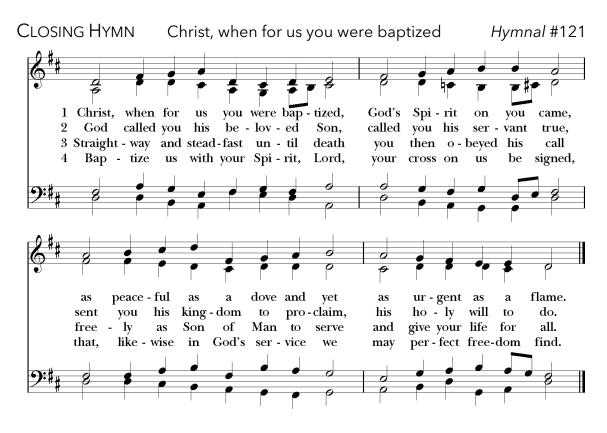
Presider Let us pray.

Presider and People

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

The Presider blesses the People.



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#### DISMISSAL

The Presider dismisses the People, who respond

#### Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

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#### Annual Meeting with Potluck! January 19, 2024

Mark your calendars: the St. Luke's Annual Meeting is happening Sunday January 19, following the worship service. We will meet in person and online via Zoom. Everyone is invited to participate as we elect new leadership, hear an update on our development project, and share appreciations. Bring a hot dish, a side to share (or even a box of crackers), and we will start by sharing a meal together. Online participants are also encouraged to have a bite of food or warm beverage.

#### Going away party for Edible Hope Kitchen Manager, Emilie

Our beloved kitchen manager, Emilie, is leaving us to pursue her studies. She has been with us for over four years and we are throwing a goodbye party for her! Please join us next Wednesday, January 15th (Emilie's last day and birthday) to wish her well.

*Where*: St. Paul's UCC - 6512 12th Ave NW Seattle, WA 98107 *When*: 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

What: we will be serving lunch (Middle Eastern cuisine) and beverages and celebrating Emilie's time with Edible Hope! Please do NOT bring gifts. Instead, Emilie has requested donations to Edible Hope in her honor. Contact Canon Britt (britt@stlukesseattle.org) with any questions.



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