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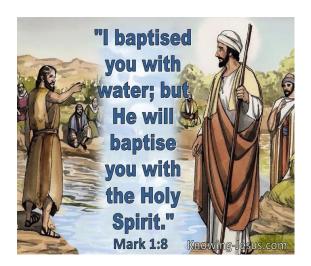
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HOLY EUCHARIST- RITE TWO

Instrumental Prelude

Opening prayer

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Processional Hymn

H119 v1, As with gladness men of old.

Dix

1 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 God, may we evermore be led to thee.

THE WORD OF GOD

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

Amen.

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*.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his 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 Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect for the Day

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 Lessons

The people sit

A Reading from the Book of Genesis (1:1-5)

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.

The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 29 (Read Responsively by whole verse)

- 1. Ascribe to the Lord, you gods,* ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- **2.** Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name;* worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
- 3. The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders;* the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- **4.** The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice;* the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.
- 5. The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees;* the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- **6.** He makes Lebanon skip like a calf,* and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7. The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;* the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- **8**. The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe* and strips the forests bare.
- 9. And in the temple of the Lord* all are crying, "Glory!"
- **10.** The Lord sits enthroned above the flood;* the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- 11. The Lord shall give strength to his people;* the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Glory be to the Father
And to the Son
And to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning,
Is now,
And ever shall be, world without end.

Amen.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (19:1-7)

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" they replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied—altogether there were about twelve of them.

The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn

L121 v 1, Baptized in Water

Hancock

1. Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit. Marked with the sign of Christ our King: Born of one Father, we are his children, Joyfully now God's praise we sing.

The Holy Gospel

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus according to Mark (1:4-11)

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John the Baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

After the Gospel, the Reader says: The Gospel of the Lord

People Praise to you, Lord Christ

Hancock

3. Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, Cleansed by the blood of Christ our King: Heirs of salvation, trusting his promise, Faith fully now God's praise we sing.

Sermon

The Reverend Hugh Chapman

The Nicene Creed

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 Form III

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for Michael our presiding bishop, Samuel our Bishop, Charles and Dorsey, our assisting Bishops, and all bishops, our Rector Hugh and all priests, and deacons.

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world.

That there be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; especially those who are on our sick and homebound list as well as those who are in need of prayers and healing:

For those confined to Health Care Facilities:

Ophelia Scarbough and Jewel Robinson.

For those at home:

Fr. Laughton Thomas, Sharal Jugger; Rosalyn Greene, Ella Woodbury, Sam Oliver Sr., James Manning, Toni Jarmon, Rev. Leslie R. White, Louis Venson, Rev. Ralph Griffith, Leonel Jones, Charles Walton, Joan Jackson Taylor, Howard Vincent Lewis, Randolph James, Franklin & Audrey Bramble, Christine Seymour, Lamar and Mary Ann Nottage, Marsha Thomas and Kove Lawson.

For those in the care of the Doctor

Joycelyn Stephens, Jo Ann Robinson, Williemae Jackson, Lauren Sap, Clifford Willabus, Dr. Derek Spencer, Marca Davis, Scott Allen, Delores Brown, Hattie Olivia Scott, Alexis Shermise Brown, Mark Wilson, Jasmine Hartin, Shevette Newkirk, Rasheen Jamison Richardson, Kurt Lieblong, Rudolph & Marva Griffith, Lillian Wehner, Delois Abraham, Stella Harris, Pamelia Harris Williams, Klcey Scott, Erica Scott, Clint Lancaster, Renrick Alleyne, Jeffery Adams, Kurt Blyden, Delores Cyrus, Harold Samms, Maylee Rosheuvel, Ena Mason, Darlene Sheppard, Doren Walcott, Merrick Winston Edwards, Devonia Sears, Landon Dyre, Brittany Lee, Carlottra Guyton, Fr. William Guthrie, Herma Watson Taylor, Ann Davis, Fred Hickman and Barbara Gruden.

For those on the front lines in the fight against the Coronavirus Pandemic:

Especially all doctors, nurses, scientists, and our own, Dr. Shaun Laurie, Dr. Nwamaka Onyeozili, Dr. Ross Howard McMillan, Dr. Ciara Grayson, Dr. Alaine Sharpe, Zuri A. White and Cheston Williams

For those in the Military:

Linzie Bogan II, Clark Bogan, Brianne Edwards, Vashti Thompson.

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom. Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence.

Confession of Sin

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept

Minister and people

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. *Amen*.

The Celebrant stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

The Celebrant then says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Peace

Refrain:

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be. With God as our Father, family all are we. Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony. Let peace begin with me; let us each other this be the moment now. With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow; To take each moment, and live each moment in peace eternally! Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

Doxology H380 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* Old 100th

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise father, Son and Holy Ghost. *Amen*.

Presentation of the Offering – prayer to be said

Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us; this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit, a reasonable, holy and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Spiritual

Presentation Hymn A216, Behold the Star

Behold the star! Behold the star up yonder! Behold the star!

It is the star of Bethlehem. Behold the star! Behold the star up yonder! It is the star of Bethlehem.

- 1. There was no room found in the inn, It is the star of Bethlehem. For Him was born free from sin. It is the star of Bethlehem.
- 2. The wise men came from the East. It is the star of Bethlehem. To worship Him, the "Prince of Peace." It is the star of Bethlehem.
- 3. A song broke forth upon the night. It is the star of Bethlehem. Peace on earth, good-will to men. It is the star of Bethlehem, Oh, [Refrain]

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A (remain standing)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift 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 him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

Celebrant and People

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

(The people stand or kneel)

Celebrant continues

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:

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant continues

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, which 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 debts as we forgive those who debtors. And led us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. *Amen*

The Breaking of the Bread

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

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.

Communion Hymn H128 v1, We three kings Three Kings of Orient

1. We three kings of Orient are; Bearing gifts we traverse afar, Field and mountain, moor and mountain, Following yonder star.

Meditation Hymn

Musical

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Announcements

Recessional Hymn

H117, Brightest and Best

Morning Star

1. Brightest and best of the stars of the morning, Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid; Star of the east, the horizon adoring, Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

Dismissal

Celebrant Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

We extend a warm welcome to our quests. Thank you for worshipping with us today. If you are without a church home, we invite you to join our church family. Please sign the guest register, **include** your home address, phone number and, if you would like to receive the monthly newsletter, news of special events and other happenings, please also add your e-mail address.

OUR VISION is to be a cornerstone for serving the spiritual needs of the greater Tallahassee community, extending an eternal invitation to join our caring parish and to enrich the spiritual life of all people as we journey with Christ.

OUR MISSION is to experience the Gospel of Jesus Christ by feeding the mind, body and spirit of our community in fellowship and service.



HOLY COMMUNION: All baptized Christians are encouraged to receive the real and living presence of Christ in Holy Communion. To receive the Bread, extend your hands upward, palms crossed. When receiving the Wine, please guide the chalice as it is offered. If you prefer, you may leave the Bread on your palm for the person administering the chalice to dip into the Wine and place on your tongue. All persons are welcome to give thanks for God's blessings at the altar rail, simply crossing your arms at the wrist with fingertips extending upward towards your shoulders.

NOTICES

Bishop's Visit

The Rt. Rev. Samuel Johnson Howard will visit with us next Sunday (January 17th) when he will administer the gifts of Confirmation, Reaffirmation and Reception on the following candidates -Daniel Werner, Fred Hickman, Sheila Hickman, Henry Okafor and Porche Whitby. Do keep them all in prayer.

Diocesan Convention 2021

Our Diocese will "gather" in convention on January 30, 2021. This year's convention will be virtual, and the theme is - Lord make us instruments of your peace. SMAA will be represented by the rector, Kate Wasson and Ama Erefah. Do pray for all who will gather for this important event in the life of our Diocese.

Annual General Meeting

Our Annual General Meeting will take place February 21, 2021. Today we serve the official notice of that gathering. All those responsible for the preparation of reports, please bear in mind that those reports will be due in the office no later than Tuesday February 16, 2021.

From the Rector's Desk

What about our Souls?

I have reading recently an article penned by the Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levinson Jr., rector of St. Martin's Church in Houston, Texas. In it, Dr. Levinson seeks to encourage his parishioners and readers to make participation in the life of the church a priority. He submits that 1. active participation in the life of the church improves one's health. 2. active participation in the life of the church is a key characteristic of being a follower of Christ and 3. our coming together is a sacrament (an outward and visible sign) that attests to the Lordship of Jesus.

He goes on to ask some poignant questions:-

- a. who or what is Lord over your calendar.
- b. who or what is Lord over your check book.
- c. who or what is Lord over the ethical and moral decisions you are called to make day by day.
- d. who or what is Lord over your relationships, your thoughts, your business decisions, your sex life, your encounters with people who are different from you.

He concludes, can you see, now, why the regular 'coming together' with other Christians – to pray, to worship, to read and learn about scripture, to serve is so very important in living out the Lordship of Christ in our lives?

So the initial question asked, what about our souls? What about this life in Christ we are all called to live? Here's the prescription that he suggests — allow Jesus to be Lord, not your phone, or television, or work, or hobbies, not your friends, or your temptation or your wallet or your favorite sports team or part time — yes not even your children or spouse. No he says, let Jesus be Lord and all the rest will fall in place. I promise you that.

Fr. Hugh+

SPECIAL PRAYERS

Father, you have made all people with eyes to see you at work in the world, ears to hear you cry out when right suffers wrong, when justice is brought low. Give to the people of our nation courage to stand up for goodness and right-doing in the face of an oppressive spirit, and courage to believe we may restore, in accordance with your gracious will, a light to enlighten the nations and the people with your truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

Capital Campaign Prayer

Most gracious Lord Jesus Christ and generous source of all abundance, in gratitude we invite you to expand our hearts as we seek to increase and improve this place of worship, peace, healing, forgiveness, outreach, service and fellowship. May all who enter here be restored and strengthened on their journey of faith. Guide us Heavenly Father, that we may make manifest your vision of a beloved and enlightened church and community, and be a shining example of the living presence of the Holy Spirit. May we and our Capital Campaign be a channel of God's abundant grace. Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. *Amen*.

Collect for the Coronavirus Pandemic

Almighty God, Heavenly Healer, we bring to you all who are affected by our present pandemic; for the infirm and infected, the anxious and afraid. By your power defend us and heal us. Let us see

one another not as vectors of infection, but at opportunities for love and service, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Suggested daily Readings for the Second Sunday after Christmas Day Jan. 11-Jan. 16

Mon.	Gen. 2:4-9(10-15)16:25	Psalm	1, 2, 3	John 1:1-18
Tue.	Gen. 3:1-24	Psalm	5, 6	John 1:19-28
Wed.	Gen. 4:1-16	Psalm	119:1-24	John 1:929-34)35-42
Thurs.	Gen. 4:17-26	Psalm	18:1-20	John 1:43-51
Fri.	Gen. 6:1-8	Psalm	16, 17	John 2:1-12
Sat.	Gen.6:9-22	Psalm	20,21:1-7(8-14)	John 2:13-22

Our Condolences

We received from the Bishop's Office that Dr. Gregory Tull, son of Jack and Mtr Sandy Tull, died of complications following a heart attack. Prior to his death, Gregory served as a professor at the University of Oklahoma Dental School.

We are being asked to say the following prayer:-

Almighty God we remember before you today your faithful servant Gregory, and we pray that having opened to him the gates of larger life, you will receive him more and more into your joyful service, that, with all who have faithfully served you in the past, he may share in the eternal victory of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

Most merciful God whose wisdom is beyond our understanding, deal graciously with Jack and Sandy in their grief. Surround them with your love, that they might not be overwhelmed by their loss, but have confidence in your goodness, and strength to meet the days to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Stewardship Campaign Committee

The Stewardship Campaign Committee is reaching out to you to ask that you complete and return your 2021 pledge form.

If you are using paper form, please return completed form to 1405 Melvin St. Tallahassee, FL 32301.

You may also access the pledge form by going to SMAA website, or **by clicking on the link below:**

https://forms.gle/ovi3tyuViLtXSRTY6

Please ignore this reminder if you have already returned your form.