

**Sending out of the Lay Eucharistic Visitors** *(when applicable)*  
*Celebrant* In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ’s body and blood.  
*Congregation* **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**


*Please stand*  
**Prayer for Mission** *said by all* BCP 365  
Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

**Blessing**

**Hymn in Procession** *sung by all*  
O love how deep, how broad, how high *(Deus tuorum militum)* Hymnal 448

**Dismissal** BCP 366

**Postlude – Ballade** Katherine Jaggi

  
**BAPTIZED INTO THE BODY OF CHRIST**  
*at the 11:00 a.m. service*  
Charles Thomas Crosby – Parents: Shannon and Walton Crosby  
Scottie May Martens – Parents: Morgan and Bart Martens  
Frances Estelle Nichols – Parents: Catherine and Graham Nichols  
Charles Wynn Oxnard – Parents: Whitney and Ben Oxnard

**Music Notes**  
*Violinist – Corina Weinmair*  
Today is the first Sunday after the Epiphany, also known as the Feast of the Baptism of our Lord. Today’s Gospel reading is about Christ’s own baptism, and we will baptize some of our own church members at the 11 a.m. service. In the music today, baptism, repentance, and renewal are themes along with the continued season after the Epiphany. In all four hymns, we sing specifically about Christ’s baptism or it is at least referenced. The two anthems are Epiphany classics: “Arise shine” quoting the ultimate Epiphany canticle from Isaiah and “Brightest and best” using the well-known Reginald Heber poem.

*Permission to stream the music in this service obtained from One License lic. #A-732869 and CCLI lic. #20201141.*

VISITOR INFORMATION

Children’s Chapel

A Children’s Chapel, including music and a story, is offered for all potty-trained 3-year-olds through 3<sup>rd</sup> graders during the service. To participate, children simply follow the cross in procession to the McCarty Early Learning Center after the reading of the Gospel and then return as a group during the Peace.

Nursery and Restrooms

A **nursery** is available during the service for children through age 2. It is located in the McCarty Early Learning Center across the circular drop off west of the church. **Restrooms** are located in the church office building south of the church.

Sunday Classes for Adults and Children

Sunday classes for adults and children are offered at 10 a.m. Please see the announcements insert for a list of classes and their locations.

GIVING INFORMATION

Offerings can be put in the plate or text SMJAX to 53555 or scan QR code →

PLEDGE

To make a 2026 pledge scan QR code→

Worship Participants

We thank God for those leading worship and pray that all will be blessed in our service today.

Lectors

Phil Rachels, Gay Nightingale

Acolytes

Langston Bryan, Charles Thoele, William Rachels

Chalice Bearers

Childress Lee, Anne Lee, Jordan Eyrick, Jesse Webb

Ushers

Steve Sirbaugh, Jim Graham, Nick Pulignano, Brooks Dame

Verger

Susan Brodeur


Altar Guild

LEV Margaret and Eric Cavin  
Drew Haramis, Anne Gorman, Celeste Heller, Barbara Irving, Adrienne Kent, Bunny Manning, Stephanie Milne, Haydee Smith, Katherine Smithwick, Carol Worsham


Flower Guild

Carolyn Key, Gay Nightingale

**THE FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD**  
*and in thanksgiving for the marriage of Jessia Eassa Akel and Corey Wayne Littlefield.*  
\*Please contact the church office to donate and dedicate altar flowers.

  
**St. Mark’s Episcopal Church Vision**  
St. Mark’s is a missional church built at the headwaters of the Gospel where the life and light of Christ flow into our community, our city, and God’s world. (Ps 46:4-5)  
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**St. Mark’s Episcopal Church Mission**  
To cultivate generations of servant-leaders rooted in God’s Word and nurtured by the Holy Spirit to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus to the world.

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St. Mark’s Episcopal Church

A River of Grace. A Life Abundant.

*Welcome! We are delighted to have you join us for worship today! Newcomers, please complete a Connect Card (located in the pew in front of you) so that we can get to know you better. Regular attendees, please use this same card to ensure we have your current contact information. Please note that all page numbers listed in the bulletin preceded by BCP refer to the red Book of Common Prayer in the pews. Hymns are found in the blue Hymnal 1982. Hymn numbers preceded by an “S” (service music) are found near the front of the hymnal.*  
*Information on childcare, restroom locations, and educational offerings is on page 6.*

**The First Sunday after the Epiphany**  
**The Baptism of our Lord**  
January 11, 2026 - Holy Eucharist - Rite II - 9:00 a.m.

**Prelude – Meditation** Carl Bohm

**The Word of God**  
*Please stand*  
**Hymn in Procession** *sung by all*  
Songs of thankfulness and praise *(Salzburg)* Hymnal 135

**Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity** BCP 355  
*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**  
*Celebrant* 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.**

**Hymn of Praise** *sung by all* Hymnal 124, verse 5  
To God the Father, heavenly Light,  
To Christ, revealed in earthly night,  
To God the Holy Ghost we raise  
Our equal and unceasing praise.

