

Cerezo Barredo's weekly Gospel illustration.

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

January 12, 2020 | 9:15 & 11:15 AM



A Little About St. Paul & the Redeemer

What Kind of Church Is This?

St. Paul & the Redeemer is a community that seeks to mirror the radical hospitality practiced by Jesus, holding together a progressive outlook and a rootedness in the Christian faith. We are woven of different races, economic statuses, cultural backgrounds, faith backgrounds, gender identities, and sexual orientations, and we are strengthened and enriched by each person's story and voice. SPR honors both faith and doubt, bringing together our highest hopes and our deepest fears.

SPR Anti-Racism Vision Statement

To mirror the radical hospitality practiced by Jesus and be true to our baptismal covenant, we strive to become a beloved community that reflects on our own racial identities and recognizes racism and privilege in our church and society; works for justice by building relationships and sustained efforts to heal, reconcile, and seek Christ in each other; and acts to interrupt and dismantle white supremacist structures, transforming ourselves and our church to become a living embodiment of justice and peace.

Let's Get Connected

Fill out one of these cards, which you can find in the backs of the chairs and drop it in the offering basket or give it to a member of the clergy.

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Stop by the Welcome Table, which is near the west entrance to the church.

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Check-in and follow SPR on social media: facebook.com/sprchicago and @sprchicago



Children's Formation

Nursery, 9:00a-12:30p | Professionally staffed nursery care is available during the services for children ages 0-4. The nursery is down the southwest stairs. Changing tables are in the downstairs restrooms and the nursery.

Children's Chapel, 9:30a-9:45a | During the sermon at the 9:15 service, children from **preschool to second grade** are invited to a special liturgy in the children's chapel, featuring songs and a Bible story.

Godly Play 10:20a-11:05a | Children in preschool through fifth grade are invited to Godly Play today, Sunday, January 12, at 10:20am to hear the story of Holy Baptism. Children are welcome to join Godly Play at any time during the year. To learn more about volunteering with Godly Play, contact director of children's formation Cynthia Bagrowski (bagrowski@sprchicago. org).

Some Helpful Things to Know Today

Can I receive communion?

Yes. Everyone, without exception, is invited to receive communion.

When am I supposed to stand?

At any point in the service, it's perfectly fine for you to remain seated as you're comfortable. We do have customary times when we stand or kneel; these are indicated by the italicized instructions throughout the service. There are also times when it is customary to cross ourselves, and if you wish to do so, the + indicates that.

Are children welcome here?

Yes. Children are invited to participate actively in the service. Also, coloring pages, crayons, and books are at the entrances to the church. Nursery care is available.

Where are the restrooms?

There are single-user, gender-neutral restrooms down the southwest stairs and also through the northeast door of the sanctuary.

Is there wheelchair accessibility?

Yes. An accessible restroom is through the northeast door of the sanctuary. There is an elevator which gives access to the first floor, lower level, and parish hall. Everyone is invited to remain seated at any point during the service, as needed.

How about hearing assistance?

We can help there, too. Hearing-assistance devices are available from the ushers.

SPR Choirs

Choir rehearsals resume on Thursday, January 9. All experience levels and newcomers welcome.

St. Nicholas Choir (Kindergarten-2nd grade): Thursday rehearsal 6-6:30pm. Contact: Gretchen Eng (eng@sprchicago.org).

SPR Choristers (3rd Grade and above): Thursday rehearsal 6–7:30pm. Contact: Christian Clough (clough@sprchicago.org).

Teen & Adult Choirs: Thursday rehearsal 7-8:40pm. Contact Christian Clough (clough@sprchicago.org).

Youth Formation

Youth Formation, Sundays, 10:20a-11:05a | Join us today, Sunday, January 12, for youth formation. We gather for 45 minutes to enjoy donuts and discussion. We've pondered questions like "Is God male?"; "Did God write the Bible?"; and "What is the real meaning of Christmas?"

Youth Group, Sundays, 5-7p | Youth are invited to youth group today, Sunday, January 12 from 5-7p. Youth Group is a weekly fellowship gathering (including dinner) on Sundays. Check out our info board outside of the youth room, subscribe to the SPR parish's weekly email blast, or follow us at @SPRYouth for more info.

THE WORD OF GOD

Throughout the bulletin, the congregation is to say all **bolded** text aloud.

Prelude

Chorale Prelude on "Christ, unser Herr, zum Jordan kam", *BWV 685* Music: Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Entrance Hymn

When the bell rings, please stand as able and sing.



The Hymnal 1982 #121 "Christ, when for us you were baptized"

Words: F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984), rev.

Music: Caithness, CM, melody from The Psalmes of David in Prose and Meeter, 1635; harm. The English Hymnal, 1906

Welcome

+ Blessed are you, holy and living God. Glory to God for ever and ever.



"Arise, shine, for your light has come"





Arise, shine, for your / light has come,

and the glory of the Lord has dawned up/on you.

For behold, darkness / covers the land;

deep gloom enshrouds the / **peoples**. Refrain

But over you the /Lord shall rise,

and his glory will appear up/on you.

Nations will stream to your / light,

and kings to the brightness of your / dawning. Refrain

Your gates will always be / open;

by day or night they will / never be shut.

They will call you, The / City of the Lord,

The Zion of the Holy One of / Israel. Refrain

Violence will no more be / heard in your land,

ruin or destruction within your / borders.

Your will call your walls, Sal/vation,

and all your portals, / Praise,

† The sun will no more be your / **light by day**;

by night you will not need the / **brightness of the moon**. Refrain

Words: Canticle 11, The Third Song of Isaiah: *Surge, illuminare*Music: Carl Haywood (b. 1949) from *Fraction Anthems, Canticles and Chants*Copyright © Carl Haywood. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

The Collect of the Day

God be with you.

And also with you.

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.

Please be seated.

The Lessons

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights;

I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations.

He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street;

a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice.

He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Thus says God, the LORD,
who created the heavens and stretched them out,
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,
who gives breath to the people upon it

who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it:

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

Isaiah 42:1-9

I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you;

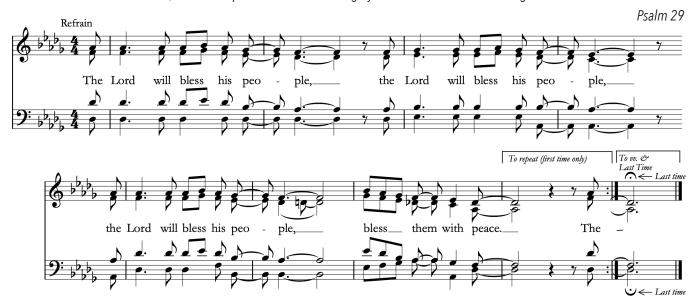
I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind,

to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.

I am the LORD, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols.

See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare;

before they spring forth, I tell you of them. The choir introduces the refrain, which all repeat. The verses are sung by members of the choir. All sing the refrain where indicated.



Ascribe to the LORD, you heavenly powers, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name; bow down before the LORD, majestic in holiness. *Refrain*

The voice of the LORD upon the waters, the LORD on the immensity of waters; the voice of the LORD full of power; the voice of the LORD full of splendor. *Refrain*

The God of glory thunders; in his temple they all cry, "Glory!"

The LORD sat enthroned above the flood; the LORD sits as king forever. **Refrain**

Words: Psalm 29 passim, The Revised Grail Psalms; Refrain, Lectionary for Mass

Music: Richard Cheri and Jalonda Robertson

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A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ-he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

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

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able and sing.



"Jesus, the light of the world" (stanzas 1 & 2 only)

Words: George D. Elderkin; verses by Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

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At the + below, you are invited to trace a cross over your forehead, your mouth, and over your heart.

+ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Matthew 3:13-17

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Children's Chapel (@ 9:15 only)

Children in preschool to second grade are invited to their own liturgy in the chapel. They will return at the peace.

Please be seated.

The Sermon

Today's Preacher: Catherine Healy, Rector

Apostles' Creed

Let us confess the faith of the church.

All stand as able.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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.

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. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray especially for **Nancy** Harlan, **Anna** Braucher, **Mary** Johnson (friend of Mary Naftzger), **Willie** C. Spraggins (aunt of Jo Ann Roberts), **Sally** Wolcott and her family, **Eli** Taylor (brother-in-law of Cheryl Vanorsby), **Rock** Sehr, **William** Starnes, Jr. (brother of Pam Anderson), **Cheryl** Vanorsby, A. **Henry** Randall, Jr. (grandfather of Evan Randall), **Sophie** Dillard (granddaughter of Robert and Sheila Bator), **Naomi** Haynes, **George** Whitley, **Sean** Knight (son of Shirley Knight), **Tim** Sehr, **William** Starnes (father of Pam Anderson), **Jewel** Starnes (mother of Pam Anderson), **Leatrice** Mowatt, **Katherine** Beetle Broadway (family of Tonsgards), **Bronwen** O'Wril (sister of Persis Berlekamp), **Chris** Wiley (cousin of Camille Long), and **Barbara** Brown (sister of Crystal Plummer). Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. We remember **Jacob** D. Goering (1/12/2019, father of Barbra Goering), **Minnie** Dunams (1/13/1991, grandmother of Char Jones-Foster), **Francoise** De Bourqueney (1/13/1999, wife of Jack Knapp), **Isabelle** Walker (1/14/2007, aunt of Ron Thisted), **Emile** Karafiol (1/16/2019, father of P.J. Karafiol), and **Vivian** Betty (1/17/2019, grandmother of Richelle Stackert). Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We joyfully thank you for those celebrating birthdays, including **Sarah** Lincoln (1/12), **Ryan** Connell (1/15), **Ali** Austin-Wingood (1/16), **Bryce** Barney (1/16), **David** Wellbery (1/17), and **Janet** Underwood (1/18). Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

I invite you to offer your own prayers and thanksgivings, ending each with "Lord, in your mercy."

Merciful God, you hear our prayers even before we pray them. Receive them for the sake of the one through whom you have revealed your goodness, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The Book of Common Prayer, 1979. Prayers of the People, Form IV. Requests for prayers can be sent to Barnabas Pusnur at pusnur@sprchicago.org.

Confession and Absolution

Let us confess our sins to God.

All bow or kneel as able.

God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

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

The Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

All greet one another and return to their seats. Some announcements will be given, but there's much more to find out in the front and back pages of this bulletin.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

All sing as indicated in the music.



"Of the Father's heart begotten"

Words: Prudentius (b. 348); tr. R. F. Davis

Music: Melody from Piae Cantiones, Theoderici Petri Nylandensis, 1582; arr. David Willcocks (1919-2015)

The Great Thanksgiving

All stand as the offering is brought to the altar.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

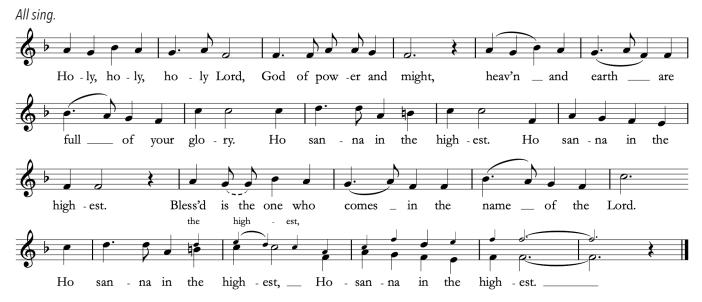
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



The Hymnal 1982 #S-125

Music: from A Community Mass, Richard Proulx (1927-2010)

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We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory; And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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**.

The Book of Common Prayer, 1979, Eucharistic Prayer B.

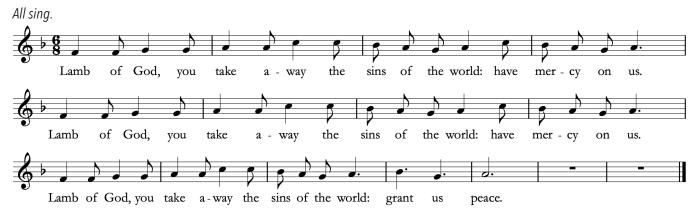
As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**



Lift Every Voice and Sing II #271. See notes on music inside the back cover. Lamb of God (Agnus Dei)

Music: Eugene W. Hancock (1929-1994) Copyright © 1992 Eugene W. Hancock

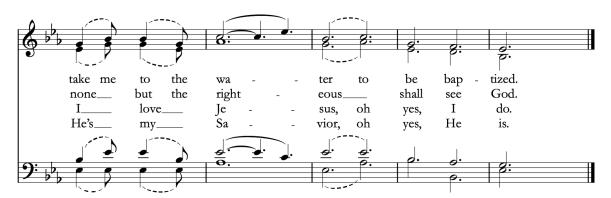
The gifts of God for the people of God.

All, without exception, are invited to receive communion. If you want gluten-free bread, tell the priest. If you would like a blessing in place of communion, cross your arms over your chest. If you are unable to come to the altar and would like to receive communion at your seat, tell an usher. The ushers will help each section up to the altar. Don't worry; all will be fed.

Healing Prayer

If you would like to be prayed for individually, you are invited to the area in front of the columbarium (in the southeast corner of the sanctuary) after you have received communion, where a prayer team member will pray with you briefly before you return to your seat.





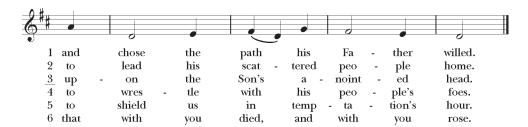
Lift Every Voice and Sing II #134 "Take Me to the Water"

Words: Traditional Music: Negro Spiritual; arr. Horace Clarence Boyer (b. 1935)

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All sing. The melody is in the tenor (middle) part, as noted in the music.





The Hymnal 1982 #120 "The sinless one to Jordan came"

Words: G. B. Timms (b. 1910), alt.

Music: Solemnis haec festivitas, LM, melody from Graduale, 1685; harm. Arthur Hutchings (1906-1989)

Sending Forth

Please stand.

Let us pray.

Eternal God,

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.

The Presider blesses the people. You are invited to cross yourself as the Presider traces a cross over the congregation.

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, mother of us all, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Book of Occasional Services, Epiphany blessing, p. 24.



The Hymnal 1982 #135 "Songs of thankfulness and praise"

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Words: Sts. 1-3, Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885); st. 4, F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984)

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Music: Salzburg, 77. 77. D, melody Jakob Hintze (1622-1702); harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

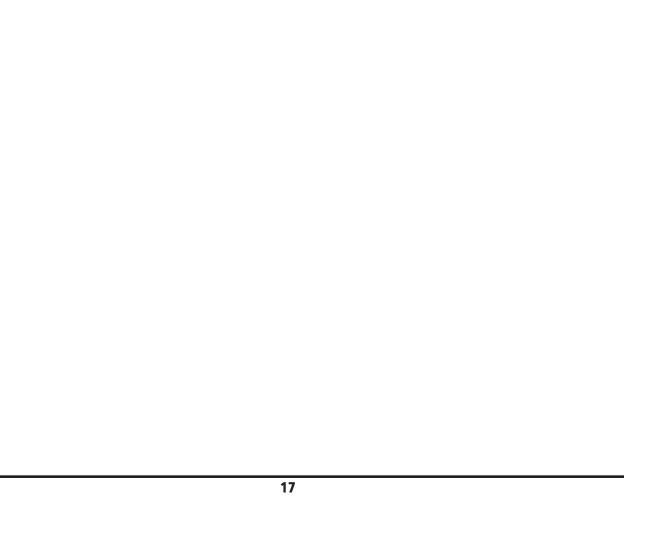
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

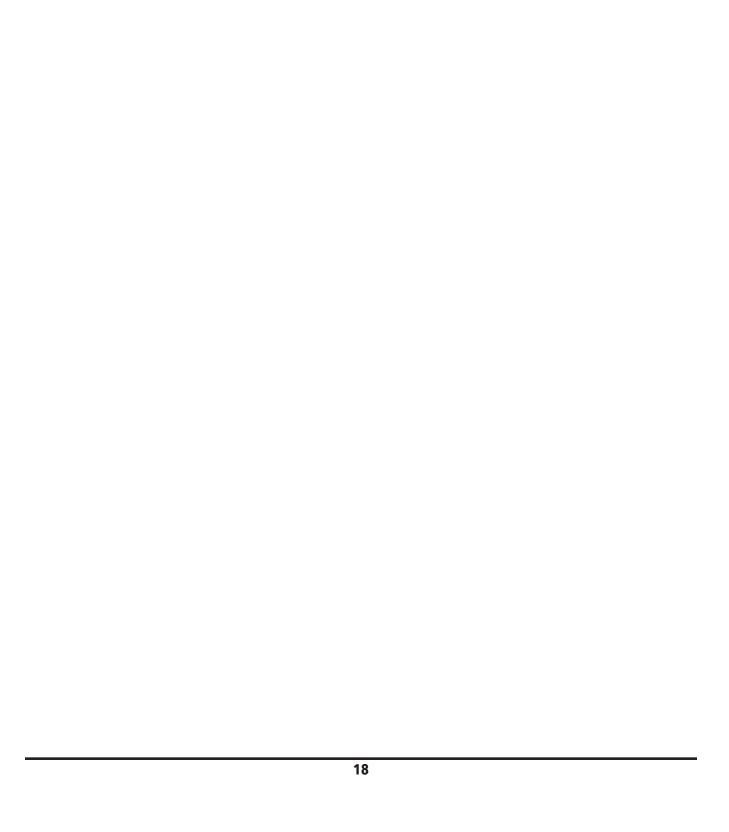
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Chorale Prelude on "Christ, unser Herr, zum Jordan kam ", BuxWV 180

Music: Dieterich Buxtehude (1637-1707)







Hands: Photography Exhibit by Valerie Tonsgard

Please visit the chapel for the latest SPR art exhibit, titled *Hands*, by parishioner Valerie Tonsgard. Hands have an unspoken language of their own, and with the fifteen photos in the exhibit, Valerie portrays some of this language. Sometimes when there are no words, a touch or gesture can speak volumes.

SPR 101: Newcomer Classes Open to All

Are you new to SPR? New to the Episcopal Church? Eager to meet some others who are? Join SPR 101, our six-week newcomer class, starting this week! Choose one of two sections: Sundays from 1:00-2:30 PM (January 12 through February 16) and Tuesdays from 7:30-9:00 PM (January 15 through February 18). All are welcome. For details, contact the Rev. Catherine Healy: healy@sprchicago.org.

Faith & Justice: Adult Formation Series

How does our faith challenge us to work for justice? Join us to explore this question from many angles in our winter adult formation series.

January 12: Community Development with the Community Renewal Society

January 19: The Legacy of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

January 26: No adult formation (annual meeting, with worship at 8 & 10 AM)

SPR Tiny Tots Service

On **Saturday**, **January 25**, **from 8:30-9:30 AM**, children ages 0-3 and their parents are invited to a "Tiny Tots" worship service/play group in the Byllesby Room. There will be songs, a Bible story, and time for mingling and free play, with coffee for adults and snacks for all. RSVP to Cynthia Bagrowski: cynthia@sprchicago.org

Partnership with Community Renewal Society

The SPR Vestry and Anti-Racism Working Group are excited to announce our new partnership with the Community Renewal Society (CRS). CRS is a 136-year-old faith-based organization that works to address social justice issues at the intersection of race and poverty at local and state levels. CRS will work with our congregation to create a team of parishioners who are interested in doing action-oriented justice work, in order to complement, strengthen, and focus the energy of our current ministries.

Please look forward to a formation on **Sunday**, **January 12 at 10:20am** to learn more about CRS and what this partnership means for SPR. Please email antiracism@sprchicago.org if you have any questions.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Faith in Action Assembly

Please join the SPR Anti-Racism Working Group in celebration of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s legacy. We are organizing a group to attend the Community Renewal Society's Faith in Action Assembly, which will include worship and a panel discussion with youth from across the Chicagoland area. The event will take place on **Monday, January 20 from 8am to noon** at Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church, 2151 W. Washington Boulevard. Childcare will be provided during the assembly for ages three and up. Please sign up in the narthex or by emailing antiracism@sprchicago.org, and indicate if you need a ride and/or childcare.

Annual Meeting on January 26: Services at 8 & 10 AM

Everyone is invited to the SPR annual meeting on **Sunday**, **January 26**, at **11 AM** (immediately following the 10 AM service). Join us as we vote for new vestry members, review the annual budget, celebrate the past year, and plan for the future. **Please note that there will be two Sunday services on this date (8 & 10 AM only)**.

20's/30's Cookie Decorating and Gift Swap

Members in their 20's and 30's are invited to join us on **Sunday, January 26** at 12:15ish (after the annual meeting) in the Byllesby room. We'll do some Christmas cookie decorating and a White Elephant gift swap. For the White Elephant, bring a wrapped fun/goofy gift, around \$5. Contact Julia (mcmillan013@gmail.com) with any questions.

Notes on Today's Music

The composer of the new-to-us setting of "Lamb of God" was Eugene W. Hancock, a distinguished organist, composer, professor of music, and authority on the Organ Music of Black Composers. BM: University of Detroit, MM: University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, DSM: Union Theological Seminary in New York. Hancock was a professor of music at Manhattan Community College and held positions in a number of churches in New York City, including the Cathedral of St. John the Divine and St. Phillips. From 1984-1990, Hancock was Director of Music at West End Presbyterian Church.

SPR Groups and Programs

Please consider joining one of these groups or programs. New participants are always welcome.

Bible Study: Every Thursday, 10-11am in the Byllesby Room. Contact: Kerstin Wellbery (kara.kerstin@gmail.com).

Open Kitchen: The Sunday before the third Monday of each month, 12:30pm in the Kitchen. Contact: Fran Spaltro (pambasilea@gmail.com).

Fiber Arts: Every second Sunday of the month at 12:30pm in the Byllesby Room. Contact: Rebecca Luttrell (southsideknitter@gmail.com).

Arts Committee: Every second Sunday of the month, 12:30pm in the Chapel. Contact: Jim Wright (jimphotoguy1@gmail.com).

20s & 30s Group: Monthly for fellowship. Contact: Julia McMillan (mcmillan013@gmail.com).

50s & Better Group: Monthly for fellowship. Contact: Sheila Bator (sbator@aol. com).

SPR Choirs: All experience levels and newcomers welcome.

St. Nicholas Choir (Kindergarten-2nd grade): Thursday Rehearsal 6–6:30pm. Contact: Gretchen Eng (eng@sprchicago.org).

SPR Choristers (3rd Grade and above): Thursday rehearsal 6–7:30pm. Contact: Christian Clough (clough@sprchicago.org).

Teen & Adult Choirs: Thursday rehearsal 7-8:40pm. Contact Christian Clough (clough@sprchicago.org).

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KJ Oh, Shawn Evelyn

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Acolytes

9:15: Mahrhoztal Rosier, Swahdreeznya Rosier, Andrew Rostan

Subdeacor

11:15: Kenji Kuramitsu

Lectors

9:15: Fran Spaltro, Martin Nutley 11:15: Nicholas Bellomy, Vinita Wright

Praver Reader

9:15: Steve Heyman 11:15: Camille Long

Children's Chapel Leaders

Cynthia Bagrowski, Gretchen Eng

Chalice Ministers

9:15: Jonathan Foiles, Yanick Rosier, Meryl Prochaska, Fran Spaltro

11:15: Jim Wright, Kelsey Shaw, Robert Bator

Healing Prayer Leaders

9:15: Joshua Daniel

11:15: Shannon Cate, Toni Daniels

Ushers

9:15: George Chlipala, Vincent Johnson 11:15: Jennifer Jeck, Mary Naftzger

Vestry Greeter

9:15: Kate Baldwin 11:15: Jared Beverly

Altar Guild

9:15:

11:15: Twila Jones

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