



MISSION STATEMENT

A Worshipping Community serving as a beacon of God's love by exemplifying the two great commandments; love God with our whole heart and love our neighbors as ourselves

**Second Sunday after the Epiphany
The Feast Day of The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
January 15, 2023**

Holy Eucharist:

Rite II Prayer B

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WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE- Cello Sonata No. 2 in F major, Op. 99 Second movement by J.

Brahms

Soloist: Brandon Leonard

ENTRANCE HYMN – LEVAS 62 (*Red and Black Hymnal*)- *In Christ there is no East or West*

OPENING ACCLAMATION (BCP p. 355)

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

People And blessed be Gods kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY (BCP p. 355)

OPENING ANTHEM OR SONG OF PRAISE *LEVAS 243 (Red and Black hymnal) - Glory, Glory*

The following is sung, all standing

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP p. 357)

Celebrant God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, by the hand of Moses your servant you led your people out of slavery, and made them free at last: Grant that your Church, following the example of your prophet Martin Luther King, may resist oppression in the name of your love, and may secure for all your children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE LESSONS

FIRST READING:

Val Valverde

The people sit.

Genesis 37:17b–20

The man said, ‘They have gone away, for I heard them say, “Let us go to Dothan.” ’ So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance,

and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, 'Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams.'

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Silence may follow.

PSALM: PSALM 77:11-20

Officiant: I will call to mind the deeds of the Lord;
I will remember your wonders of old.

Congregation: *I will meditate on all your work,
and muse on your mighty deeds.*

Officiant: Your way, O God, is holy.
What god is so great as our God?

Congregation: *You are the God who works wonders;
you have displayed your might among the peoples.*

Officiant: With your strong arm you redeemed your people,
the descendants of Jacob and Joseph.

Congregation: *When the waters saw you, O God,
when the waters saw you, they were afraid;
the very deep trembled.*

Officiant: The clouds poured out water; the skies thundered;
your arrows flashed on every side.

Congregation: *The crash of your thunder was in the whirlwind;
your lightnings lit up the world; the earth trembled and shook.*

Officiant: Your way was through the sea,
your path, through the mighty waters;
yet your footprints were unseen.

Officiant and Congregation: *You led your people like a flock
by the hand of Moses and Aaron.*

SECOND READING: Ephesians 6:10–20

Jessica Walters

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to

withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Silence may follow.

SEQUENCE HYMN *God down, Moses -LEVAS 228 – (Red and Black Hymnal)*

All stand.

GOSPEL: Luke 6:27–36

All stand.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

‘But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you. ‘If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

THE SERMON- THE REV. TIM BLACK (BCP p. 358)

THE CREED (BCP p. 358)

All stand.

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (BCP p. 359)

Pat Roberts

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Brothers and sisters, grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I bid you to, "Come and see the great things God has done. *Behold, we come.*"

We pray for your Church. Give us as a light to the nations. Sanctify us in Christ Jesus, call us to be saints and strengthen us to follow Jesus to the end.

Silence

Come and see the great things God has done.

Behold, we come.

We pray for this nation and the world. May your salvation, O God, reach to the ends of the earth. May all the peoples know of your faithfulness and your deliverance.

Silence

Come and see the great things God has done.

Behold, we come.

We pray for all of creation. Give us a sense of awe as we consider all of the works of your hands.

Invite the congregation to add their thanksgivings, followed by silence

Come and see the great things God has done.

Behold, we come.

We pray for our local community. Make our footing sure. May our future be secured by your love and faithfulness.

Silence

Come and see the great things God has done.

Behold, we come.

We pray for all those in need of your healing and strength. Lift them out of the desolate pit. Put in their mouths a new song, a song of praise. May they know just how great for them are your wonders and your plans. We pray today for: Eleanor Buchanon, Barbarine Thorpe, Claude Lindsey, Frank Harrell, Michael Proscia, Andrew Hales, Julian McPhillips, Leslie McPhillips and Damar Hamlin.

Invite the congregation to add their petitions, followed by silence

Come and see the great things God has done.

Behold, we come.

We pray for those who have died. In your great faithfulness, keep them blameless for the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. Honor them in your sight forever. We pray today for:

Vsantha Rajasekava, Philip Sewell, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

Silence

Come and see the great things God has done.

Behold, we come.

CONFESSION OF SIN (BCP p. 359)

The Deacon or 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 Priest stands and says

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE (BCP p. 361)

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth. 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:

LEVAS 255 *Holy, holy, (Red and Black Hymnal)*

Celebrant and People

WORDS OF INSTITUTION (BCP p. 368)

The People stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

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 Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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,

Celebrant and People

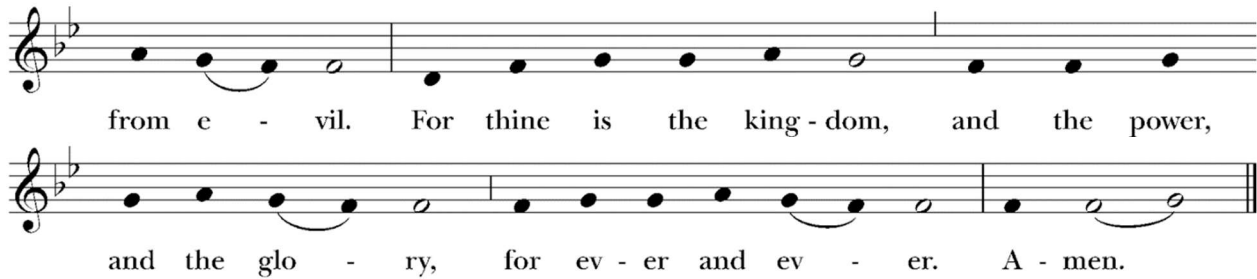
We remember Christ's death,
We proclaim Christ's resurrection,

We await Christ's coming in glory;
 And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior 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 in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, 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 the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed John and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER S 119 *The Lord's Prayer (Traditional)*
(Plainsong/Douglas) (BCP p. 363)

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

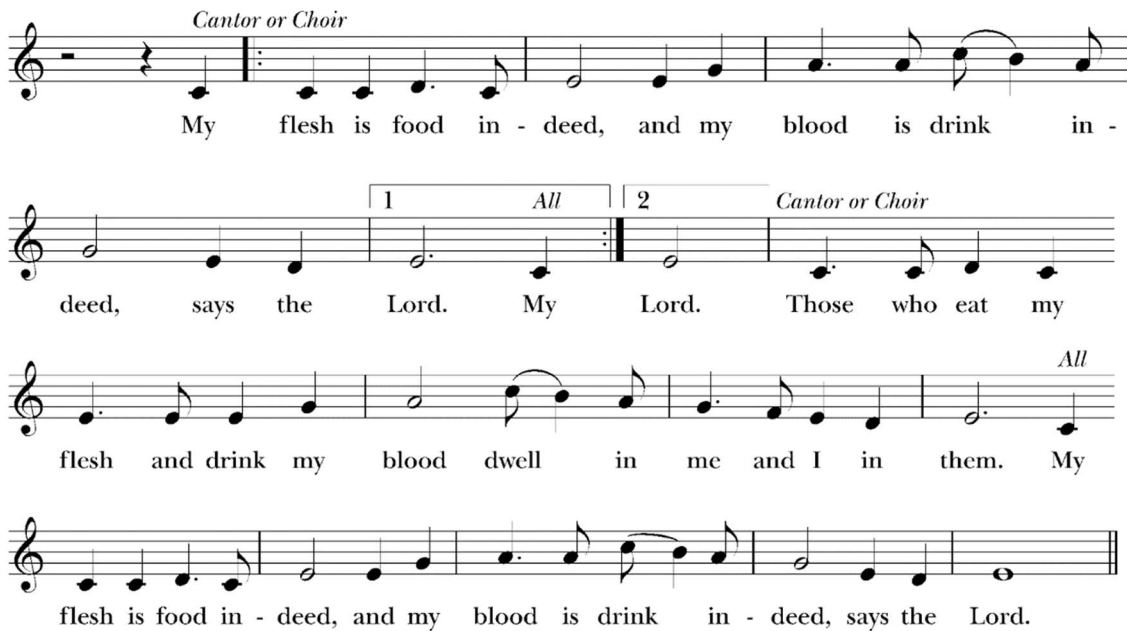
Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
 be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
 dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
 as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
 us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us



from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD
FRACTION ANTHEM (BCP p. 364)**

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



Cantor or Choir
My flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in -
deed, says the Lord. *All* My Lord. *Cantor or Choir* Those who eat my
flesh and drink my blood dwell in me and I in them. *All* My
flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in - deed, says the Lord.

INVITATION (BCP p. 364)

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Christ in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving

DISTRIBUTION (BCP p. 365)

We will be sharing communion in both kinds. If you want bread, hold out one hand, if bread and wine, hold out two hands. The server will intinct (dip) the bread for you and place it in your hands.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. [*Amen.*]

COMMUNION HYMN – LEVAS 152- *Let us Break Bread Together (Red and Black Hymnal)*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP p. 365)

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of 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 Savior. Amen.

BLESSING (BCP p. 366)

The Priest blesses the people, saying

Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Go in peace to follow the good road and may God's blessing be with you always. *Amen.*

POST-COMMUNION HYMN *Lift Every Voice and Sing- (LEVAS 1) – (Red and Black Hymnal)*

DISMISSAL (BCP p. 366)

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Cello Concerto in E minor, Op.85 Second movement by E.

Elgar

Soloist: Jaia Alli

After the service, we will have a mini concert.

The program is

Cello Concerto in E minor, Op. 85 First movement by E. Elgar

Soloist: Jaia Alli

Cello Concerto in B minor, Op. 104 First movement by A. Dvořák

Soloist: Brandon

Leonard

Parish Notes

Make Prayer Requests Online: <https://forms.gle/UTa6iMfrukhfurgD8>

Wednesday Night Bible Study is off until January 18, 2023 Look for more information in the Bulletin and Eagle Notes in the coming weeks.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER RETURNS- JANUARY 18, 6:00 PM

Come enjoy a "humpday" dinner with your church family starting next Wednesday evening. Dinners are on a donation basis- \$5.00 or "pay what you can." All are welcome, regardless of ability to donate. If you are coming, please RSVP to info@stjohnscollegepark.org (This will help us to plan for numbers, but if you forget to RSVP, please come to dinner still). Following Wednesday Night Supper, we will have Bible Study (also on zoom, see below for more information). 1/18- Beef Stew and Salad, 1/25- Spaghetti and Salad.

Morning Prayer on Zoom Tuesday and Thursday- 10 AM

One of the vastly underutilized gifts of the Episcopal Church is morning prayer. Start your day off with prayer with our online community each week on Tuesday and Thursday. Meeting ID: Meeting ID: 869 7767 5734 Password: 752305

Compline Night Prayer Thursday - 7:00 pm

Join us on zoom. Meeting ID: 843 7684 4017 Password: 848486

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Prayers of the People:	Jane Graham
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Church Administrator	Terry Glover
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Michael Proscia, Jr. Warden
Pat Roberts, Sr. Warden

At 10:00 AM : Join us via Zoom January 15, 2023 Meeting ID: 846 4584 1672
Passcode: 835192 If you do not have a camera-enabled device, but want to participate via audio only, then call (toll-free) 1-646- 558- 8656 and use the same meeting ID and password as above.

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