

The Second Sunday after the Epiphany



January 19, 2025
4:00 pm ~ Holy Eucharist, Rite II

St. Martin's Episcopal Church
Des Plaines, Illinois

**Welcome to all who worship with us today.
We are blessed by your presence.**

*In the interest of creating a peaceful and prayerful space for worship,
please refrain from conversation within the sanctuary 10 minutes before
and after the service.*

*Please silence your cell phone during the service as a sign of respect for
God and the rest of our worshipping community.*

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN Christ who's glory fills the sky (7)

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy and living God

People: **Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.

People: **Amen.**

CHRISTMAS GLORIA *Choir sings verses; Congregation sings refrain*

Refrain

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THE COLLECT THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
***People:* And also with you.**
Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

***People:* Amen.**

THE LESSONS *(All sit)*

The First Reading - Isaiah 62:1-5

¹For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,
and her salvation like a burning torch.

²The nations shall see your vindication,
and all the kings your glory;
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the Lord will give.

³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

⁴You shall no more be termed Forsaken,
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,
and your land Married;
for the Lord delights in you,
and your land shall be married.

⁵For as a young man marries a young woman,
so shall your builder marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.

The reading concludes

Lay Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm: 36:5-10

⁵Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, *
and your faithfulness to the clouds.

⁶Your righteousness is like the strong mountains,
your justice like the great deep; *
you save both man and beast, O Lord.

⁷How priceless is your love, O God! *

your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

⁸They feast upon the abundance of your house; *

you give them drink from the river of your delights.

⁹For with you is the well of life, *

and in your light we see light.

¹⁰Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you, *

and your favor to those who are true of heart.

The Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

¹Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *This Little Light of Mine*

This little light of mine,
I'm goin'-a let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Everywhere I go,
I'm goin'-a let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

John 2:1-11

¹On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. ⁹When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

After the Gospel, the Celebrant says

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *This Little Light of Mine*

All through the night,
I'm goin'-a let it shine

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED *(Please stand as able.)*

**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 *(stand or kneel)*

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God... For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

In the Anglican cycle of prayer...

In the Diocesan cycle of prayer...

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Seanl, our Presiding Bishop, Paula, our Bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in the Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation... Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life... We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom... Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon

them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

THE CONFESSION

ALL: Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown, things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant continues

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.

People: Amen.

THE PEACE *(All stand as able)*

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRESENTATION HYMN *How bright appears the morning star*
(497)



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant *People*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*

Lift up your hearts. 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, ...

...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:

SANCTUS

Celebrant and People

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for...

...Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People:

**We remember his death,
 We proclaim his resurrection,
 We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving...

...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.

People: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Celebrant and People

**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 and the Communion of the Faithful

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 lu - ia. Christ our Pass-o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for
 us, there - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le -
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

INVITATION & DISTRIBUTION

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Instructions for distribution will be given at the announcements; please follow the Usher's instructions. Please hold your hands out to receive the bread. If you would prefer a blessing, please indicate that by crossing your arms over your chest.

All are welcome!

COMMUNION HYMN Blessed Jesus, at thy word (440)

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us pray.

***People:* God of open horizons and open roads,
 like the Magi so many years ago,
 we are here, seeking you.
 We have wandered into this space
 with the hope of feeling you in our midst.
 You have claimed us, loved us, and fed us.**

**Today we have drawn star words.
For some, these words are full of meaning,
challenge, and invitation already.
For others, these words are a blank canvas—
inviting you into our lives.**

**So as a new year dawns, we pray that just as
you have spoken to the generations before us,
you would speak to us again.**

**Allow us to use these star words as a tool that
might help us hear you more clearly.**

May they guide us, as the star guided the Magi.

**And in a year, may we find ourselves here, together again,
with mouths full of praise for
the ways in which you have been present
with us.**

Together we pray, with the saints before us.

Amen.

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BLESSING

Celebrant: ...this day and always.

People: **Amen.**

FINAL HYMN *Songs of thankfulness and praise (135)*

DISMISSAL

Celebrant: ...Alleluia. Alleluia.

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

POSTLUDE

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for Bob & Diane Rogalcheck, Nancy Modrow, Amanda Vandervort, Nancy Schaper, Tom Beechey, Ann Davis, Heidi Partain, Mark and Mary Savage, Laura Wolff, Sarah, Joan Soske, Curt Van Peenan, Ellie, Greg & John Rasmussen, Nicole Cortino, Jessica Webb, Charles Sterner, Raggles - the dog, David Broderson & Jan Langdon, Nancy Fornoff, Janice Dahlstrom, Pepper - the dog, Carlos U-Urbana, Rev. Kevin Goodman, Candy Mealer, Molly - the dog, The Stanford & Wisnewski families The Roche & Wallace families, Mark Presto and Matthew Simpson, Erik Rasmussen, Eric Kurbat and the Roche & Wallace Families

For the members of the Des Plaines Chronic Pain Group.

For all who are suffering because of recent natural disasters, especially all impacted by the fires in L.A. as well as human tragedies, for refugees, all who are affected by gun violence, systemic racism, and everyone impacted by the COVID-19 virus.

For all Veterans.

For those currently serving in the military, especially: Oriana & Richardson Naki, William Revell, Mike Bozza, Ben Suecheck, Ryan Staats, Zachary Kielar, Michael Webb, and Jimmy Pham, and all who serve in any military, those wounded in action, and all in harm's way.

For those who grieve the recent death of loved ones.

...and those we now name

In Thanksgiving, we pray:

For those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week, especially: Alex Fulle.

For All who have died:

Former President Jimmy Carter
Marilyn Roche
Kay VanDiver
John Key
Terry Lee Stanfo

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coffee Hour Hosts This Week

There are no hosts for our Time of Connection today. We need hosts for the month of January. If you are interested or can help on an upcoming Sunday, call or text Noreen Coussens at 224-567-3974 or simply sign up on the bulletin board list in Strauss-Betker Hall.

Inquirer's Class – Wednesdays 6:30 pm in the Parish House
Are you interested in learning more about the Episcopal Church? Join this class on Wednesday evenings in January and February, especially if considering confirmation, reaffirmation, or reception when Bishop Clark visits on February 23.

Star Words

If you couldn't be here last Sunday to receive your Star Word, here's how to get it:

Email rev.m.e.eccles@gmail.com with a number between 1 and 69 and indicate whether you would typically sit on the Left or the Right (as you face the altar) and he will email you a photo of your word!



Episcopal Relief & Development has been supporting partners in California affected by the devastating and fast-growing Palisades, Woodley, Eaton and Hurst fires. As the scope of the disaster continues to unfold, please consider making an emergency donation to Episcopal Relief & Development's **Wildfire Response Fund**.

For those of us outside of California wondering how to help from afar, **Episcopal Relief and Development offers this guidance:**

1. Pray
2. Refrain from sending supplies
3. Make a monetary donation
4. Prepare for a disaster in your area

Learn more about disaster response from Episcopal Relief & Development.

Almighty God, who is our strength and our refuge; be with those who are besieged by fire, guide those who evacuate so that they may find care and comfort in a safe place; protect their homes and their pets, their neighbors and their friends, so that they may return home to a loving community. We ask this in the name of Jesus your son, who abides with you and with the Holy Spirit.



Love Casts Out Fear": Join EPF on Jan. 19th for an Inauguration Eve Vigil



The **Episcopal Peace Fellowship** and the Diocese of Massachusetts invite all to attend a special service titled "Love Casts Out Fear: An Inauguration Eve Vigil" on the late afternoon of January 19, 2025. Held at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul in Boston, **this service is a sacred**

opportunity for reflection, prayer, and solidarity as the nation prepares for a presidential inauguration. The vigil will begin at 5:00 PM (EST) and will also be live-streamed for those unable to attend in person.

This service, open to all, will lean deeply into the Christian faith, affirming that love casts out fear (1 John 4:18) and calling participants to stand with marginalized communities. It will focus on themes of justice, peace, and the transformative power of love in action.

"For 85 years, EPF have dedicated ourselves to praying, studying, and working for reconciliation and peace. In times of uncertainty and fear, it is essential to reaffirm the hope and strength we find in God's boundless love," said the Rev. Kerith Harding, executive director of EPF. "We warmly invite everyone, whether in person or virtually, to join us in this holy and hope-filled gathering."

[\[Register to attend the vigil, either in-person or online\]](#)

Lay Leadership Summit

Saturday, March 1 at St. Andrew's, Downers Grove

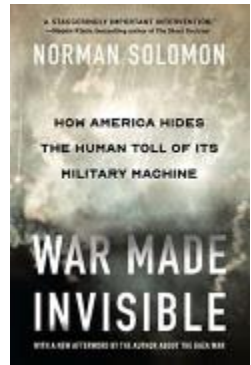
On Saturday, March 1, from 9:30 am to 3 pm at St. Andrew's, Downers Grove, the Diocese of Chicago will host a **Lay Leadership Summit**, an opportunity for fellowship, formation, networking and prayer for lay leaders in our congregations. This summit will focus on congregational management for vestries, bishop's committees, and interested lay leaders. Clergy are welcome to attend. A \$10 registration fee is requested.

Coffee, snacks and boxed lunches will be provided. **Learn more and register online using this link.** Please contact Louisa McKellaston, Leadership Development Officer, **by email** or phone (312.751.4214) with questions.

One Book, One Diocese 2025 Selection:
War Made Invisible

Online discussions planned for Spring

The Peace and Justice Committee has announced the "One Book, One Diocese" selection for 2025, **War Made Invisible: How America Hides the Human Toll of its Military Machine**, by Norman Solomon.



Members of the diocese are encouraged to read the book and discuss it with their church or community. For individuals and congregations looking to engage more with the material the Peace and Justice Committee will offer two opportunities to attend an online diocesan discussion in April and May (dates to be determined.)

Learn more about One Book, One Diocese and watch for information on the diocese-wide discussions. Scholarship funds are available for individuals or churches needing assistance in procuring books. Please **contact the Peace and Justice Committee** for more information.

Trafficking: Faithful Response and Support Online Course

Join this online course to learn how to recognize human trafficking and support those reentering our community after human exploitation. This 90 minute course will introduce participants to the basics of trafficking, how to respond when trafficking is suspected, and how their community can help those on their journey from surviving to thriving.

There are 5 different times to choose from! Choose any of the following dates to participate in this course here:

<https://www.provincev.org/antihumantrafficking.html>



From the Border to Sanctuary Cities, Episcopalians Commit to Protecting Immigrants Churchwide

Training, resources and "sanctuary ministry" outreach tools provided

This week, **Episcopal News Service reported on Episcopalians across the United States who are committing to protecting and supporting immigrants** in advance of President-elect Donald Trump's inauguration on January 20. These efforts are a response to Trump's presidential campaign, which amplified anti-immigrant rhetoric and vowed to **deport** millions of immigrants. While dioceses along the U.S./Mexico border are directly affected, anti-immigration efforts are also expected to target Chicago, which has been designated a sanctuary city since 1985 and a Sanctuary Diocese since 2019.

In anticipation of these actions, **Episcopal Migration Ministries (EMM)** is offering programming and support to help support sanctuary ministries and sanctuary dioceses, including a **webinar on how to support newly-arrived neighbors that was recorded** on January 8.

EMM will continue to provide up-to-date information on immigration news and policy.



Mark Your Calendar

Our Sunday services move to 4:00 pm!

Epiphanytide

January 21 ~ 6:30 pm ~ Vestry

January 26 ~ 4:00 pm ~ 3 Epiphany ~ Evening Prayer

February 2 ~ ANNUAL MEETING

4:00 pm ~ 4 Epiphany ~ Holy Eucharist & Healing Corners

February 9 ~ 4:00 pm ~ 5 Epiphany ~ Evening Prayer

February 16 ~ 4:00 pm ~ 6 Epiphany ~ Holy Eucharist

February 18 ~ 6:30 pm ~ Vestry

February 23 ~ 4:00 pm ~ 7 Epiphany ~ Bishop's Visit

March 2 ~ 4:00 pm ~ Last Epiphany ~ Holy Eucharist &
Healing Corners

Seed Exchange following service

March 5 ~ Ash Wednesday

Welcome to St. Martin's!

St. Martin's Vestry

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St. Martin's Episcopal Church

**All are welcome
and fed with the love of God
pets too!**

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