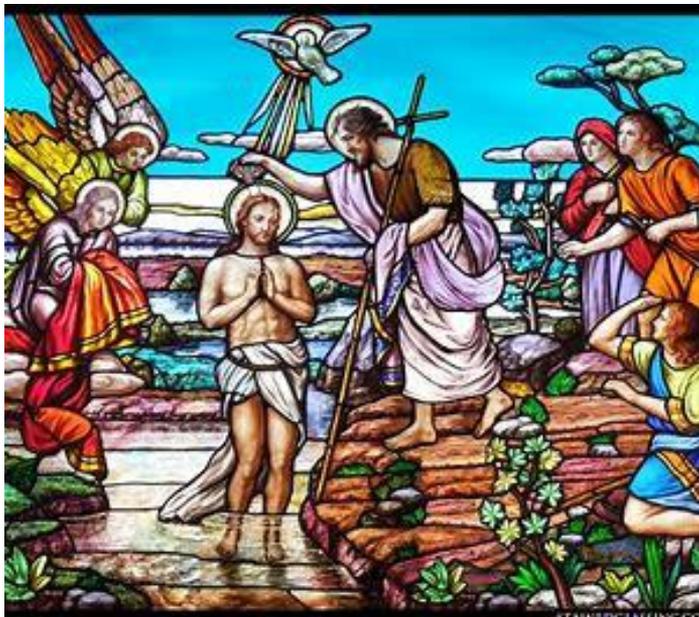


*The Church of the  
Holy Family  
The Episcopal Church in  
Mills River, NC*



*The First Sunday after  
The Epiphany  
The Baptism of Our Lord  
Jesus Christ  
January 9, 2022*

## SACRED PLACE SACRED SPACE

Please observe silence after the altar candles are lit.

**PRELUDE** *Capriccio*

*by Johann Hassler*

**A bell rings three times; the People stand.**

**ENTRANCE HYMN #76** *On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry*

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry  
announces that the Lord is nigh;  
awake and hearken, for he brings  
glad tidings of the King of kings.

Then cleansed be every breast from sin;  
make straight the way for God within,  
and let each heart prepare a home  
where such a mighty guest may come.

For thou art our salvation, Lord,  
our refuge, and our great reward;  
without thy grace we waste away  
like flowers that wither and decay.

To heal the sick stretch out thine hand,  
and bid the fallen sinner stand;  
shine forth, and let thy light restore  
earth's own true loveliness once more.

All praise, eternal Son, to thee,  
whose advent doth thy people free;  
whom with the Father we adore  
and Holy Spirit evermore.

## **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

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

*People*      *And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.*

## **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.*

## **HYMN OF PRAISE**    *Baptized in Water*                      *Tune: Bunessan*

Baptized in water, Sealed by the Spirit,  
Cleansed by the blood of Christ our King;  
Heirs of salvation, Trusting the promise,  
Faithfully now God's praises we sing.

Baptized in water, Sealed by the Spirit,  
Dead in the tomb with Christ, our King;  
One with His rising, Freed and forgiven,  
Thankfully now God's praises we sing.

Baptized in water, Sealed by the Spirit,  
Marked with the sign of Christ our King;  
Born of the Spirit, We are God's children,  
Joyfully now God's praises we sing.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant*            The Lord be with you.

*People*                ***And also with you.***

*Celebrant*            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.***

## The Lessons

### FIRST READING: Isaiah 43:1-7

*The people sit.*

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

<sup>1</sup>Now thus says the LORD,

he who created you, O Jacob,

he who formed you, O Israel:

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;

I have called you by name, you are mine.

<sup>2</sup>When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;

and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;

when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,

and the flame shall not consume you.

<sup>3</sup>For I am the LORD your God,

the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

I give Egypt as your ransom,

Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

<sup>4</sup>Because you are precious in my sight,

and honored, and I love you,

I give people in return for you,

nations in exchange for your life.

<sup>5</sup>Do not fear, for I am with you;

I will bring your offspring from the east,

and from the west I will gather you;  
<sup>6</sup>I will say to the north, "Give them up,"  
and to the south, "Do not withhold;  
bring my sons from far away  
and my daughters from the end of the earth—  
<sup>7</sup>everyone who is called by my name,  
whom I created for my glory,  
whom I formed and made."

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            ***Thanks be to God.***

### **PSALM: Psalm 29**

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

**SECOND READING: Acts 8:14-17**

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

<sup>14</sup>Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. <sup>15</sup>The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit <sup>16</sup>(for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). <sup>17</sup>Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            ***Thanks be to God.***

**SEQUENCE HYMN #121 *Christ, when for us you were baptized***

Christ, when for us you were baptized,  
God's Spirit on you came,  
as peaceful as a dove and yet  
as urgent as a flame.

God called you his belov'd Son,  
called you his servant true,  
sent you his kingdom to proclaim,  
his holy will to do.

Straightway and steadfast until death  
you then obeyed his call  
freely as Son of Man to serve  
and give your life for all.

Baptize us with your Spirit, Lord,  
your cross on us be signed,  
that, likewise in God's service we  
may perfect freedom find.

## **GOSPEL: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22**

*All stand.*

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

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

<sup>15</sup>As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, <sup>16</sup>John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>17</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

<sup>21</sup>Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, <sup>22</sup>and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

*Priest*            The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**THE SERMON** *The Rev. Dennis Fotinos*

### **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.

### **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our  
Presiding Bishop, Michael; our Bishop, Jose; for this gathering;  
and for all ministers and people.  
Pray for the Church.

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for  
the well-being of all people.  
Pray for justice and peace.

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed,  
and those in prison.

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of  
him.

Pray that they may find and be found by him.

I ask your prayers for the departed.

Pray for those who have died.

I ask your prayers for those on the prayer list.

*(The People may add their own petitions)*

I ask your thanksgiving for celebrating birthdays and anniversaries  
this week, especially Katy Bullock, Jim and Melissa Bailes, and  
Gary Carraux.

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been  
honored.

Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

## **CONFESSION OF SIN**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.



## **PROPER PREFACE**

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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

### **SANCTUS S 129 *Holy, holy, holy***

Holy, holy, holy 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.

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

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:

*Christ has died.*

*Christ is risen.*

*Christ will come again.*

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 forever. **AMEN.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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 forever. Amen.

# **The Breaking of the Bread**

## **FRACTION ANTHEM**

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

## **INVITATION**

*(All are welcome at our Table)*

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.

## **DISTRIBUTION**

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

## **COMMUNION HYMN #120 *The sinless one to Jordan came***

The sinless one to Jordan came,  
and in the river shared our stain;  
God's righteousness he thus fulfilled,  
and chose the path his Father willed.

Uprising from the waters there,  
the Father's voice did then declare  
that Christ, the Son of God, had come  
to lead his scattered people home.

Above him see the heavenly Dove,  
the sign of God the Father's love,  
now by the Holy Spirit shed  
upon the Son's anointed head.

How blest that mission then begun  
to heal and save a race undone!  
Straight to the wilderness he goes  
to wrestle with his people's foes.

O Christ, may we baptized from sin,  
go forth with you a world to win:  
grant us the Holy Spirit's power  
to shield us in temptation's hour.

On you may all your people feed,  
and know you are the Bread indeed,  
who gives eternal life to those  
that with you died, and with you rose.

### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Let us pray.

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.

### **BLESSING**

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face to shine upon you  
and be gracious to you.  
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you  
and give you peace. *Amen.*

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**RECESSIONAL HYMN #135** *Songs of thankfulness and praise*

Songs of thankfulness and praise,  
Jesus, Lord, to thee we raise,  
manifested by the star  
to the sages from afar;  
branch of royal David's stem  
in thy birth at Bethlehem;  
anthems be to thee addressed,  
God in man made manifest.

Manifest at Jordan's stream,  
Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;  
and at Cana, wedding-guest,  
in thy Godhead manifest;  
manifest in power divine,  
changing water into wine;  
anthems be to thee addressed,  
God in man made manifest.

Manifest in making whole  
palsied limbs and fainting soul;  
manifest in valiant fight,  
quelling all the devil's might;  
manifest in gracious will,  
ever bringing good from ill;  
anthems be to thee addressed,  
God in man made manifest.

Manifest on mountain height,  
shining in resplendent light,  
where disciples filled with awe  
thy transfigured glory saw.  
When from there thou leddest them  
steadfast to Jerusalem,  
cross and Easter Day attest  
God in man made manifest.

## DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

**People**                      **Thanks be to God.**

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## ***INTERCESSORY PRAYER LIST***

Shirley	Mickey	Kevin	Cody
Brent	Devin	Nicholas	David
Josh	Jan	Lila	Dave
Julie		Danny	Elisa
Helen	Joy	John	Carolyn and
Chris C.	Jim B.	Susie	Tyshaun
Baby	Rita Beth	Edward	
Bobby-Cole			

***In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer pray for Iglesia Anglicana de Chile***

***In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer pray for the Church of the Epiphany, Newton***

***We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week , especially Katy Bullock, Jim and Melissa Bailes, and Gary Carraux***

***Please extend a warm welcome to The Rev. Dennis Fotinos, who is celebrating the Eucharist with us today!***

## **Upcoming Events**

Men's Breakfast- Every Wednesday, 8:30 am at Kosta's Restaurant

Executive Committee Meetings-Every Tuesday, 1:00 pm

Outreach Committee, 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month, 1:30 pm

Choir Practice, Every Wednesday, 4:30 pm

Vestry Meeting, January 17, 4:00 pm

**Annual Parish Meeting: January 23, following Sunday Worship**

Women's Group- Saturday, February 12, 2022, 10:00 am

## **Sunday Worship**

9:45 am Christian Education  
10:45 am Worship and Communion

Judy Rhodes, *Music Minister*  
Linda Bregartner, *Altar Guild*  
Linda Bregartner, *Interim Treasurer*  
Jeanne Mason, *Parish Secretary*  
Diane Carter, *Prayer Ministry*  
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Gary Carraux: Senior Warden [1/22],  
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Linda Bregartner [1/22], Stan Pacana [1/24],  
Evie Brush [1/24], Vacant [1/23]