



**Sunday, January 7, 2024**  
**First Sunday after the Epiphany**  
**The Baptism of Christ**  
**10:00 am**

**Welcome** Thank you for joining us today at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church! Our spiritual call is to "Worship Christ, Grow Together, and Serve Others."

**Guests** We would love to meet you and give you a gift at the Information Kiosk in the Gathering Space. We ask that you sign the Guest Register. You can learn more about our parish family at [www.standrewsvalpo.org](http://www.standrewsvalpo.org).

**Children** Our Children's Ministry, (ages 3 (potty-trained) thru 5<sup>th</sup> grades) meet Sundays at 9:15 am in the Children's Wing. We use the Godly Play program. Please contact ministry leader Jennifer Rodd at [sundayschool@standrewsvalpo.org](mailto:sundayschool@standrewsvalpo.org)

**Youth** For Youth Group information, please contact ministry leader Jennifer Rodd at [sundayschool@standrewsvalpo.org](mailto:sundayschool@standrewsvalpo.org)

**Prayer Ministry** Our Intercessory Prayer Team meets Tuesdays at 9:00 am. Please contact Katy Hamilton at [khamilton@standrewsvalpo.org](mailto:khamilton@standrewsvalpo.org)



### **Priest In Charge**

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### **Church Office Hours**

**Tuesday - Friday 9am-4pm**

### **Worship /Bible Studies**

Saturday	5:30 pm	Rite II Service
Sunday	8:00 am	Rite I Service
	10:00 am	Rite II Service
Tuesday	7:00 am	Men's Bible Study
Wednesday	9:00 am	Morning Prayer w/Discussion
Wednesday	6:00 pm	Healing Service w/ Holy Eucharist and followed by a Bible Study

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Greeter(s):

EM: *Allison Cath*

**From the Book of Common Prayer (BCP)**

**Opening Hymn...***Hymnal 117 vs. 1,2,4*

Blue Hymnal

**Opening Acclamation** *Blessed be God: ...*

BCP 355

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

**The Collect of Purity** Almighty God, to you ...

BCP 355

**The Gloria** *Hymnal S-280...*

Blue Hymnal

**The Salutation** *The Lord be with you...*

BCP 357

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

*Priest* Let us pray.

**The Collect of the Day**

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 for the Readings.*

**The First Reading**

Genesis 1:1-5  
*Christopher Jones*

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

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

**Psalm 29** *PP 16*

Insert

**The Second Reading**

Acts 19:1-7  
*Allison Cath*

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to

Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, “Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?” They replied, “No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.” Then he said, “Into what then were you baptized?” They answered, “Into John’s baptism.” Paul said, “John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus.” On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied— altogether there were about twelve of them.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

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

**The Gospel Acclamation** *OP 247*

*v. 1 before gospel  
and v. 3 after*

Insert

*The Gospel will be presented in skit form.*

*Skit Music: H-128 v.1, H-109 v.4, H-115 v. 1&3, H-132 v.1,3 & 5*

Blue Hymnal

**The Gospel**

Mark 1:4-11

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

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

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel’s hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, “The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. 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. Cathy Carpenter*

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**The Nicene Creed** *We believe in one God.*

BCP 358

**The Prayers of the People** *For the church of Jesus Christ...*

*Leader* Lord, in your mercy.

*People* **Hear our Prayer.**

<b>The Confession of Sins</b> <i>Most merciful God...</i>	BCP 360
<b>The Absolution</b>	
<b>The Peace</b> The peace of the Lord ...	BCP 360
<i>People</i> <b>And also with you.</b>	
<b>The Announcements</b>	
<b>Liturgy of the Eucharist</b>	
<b>The Offertory Sentence</b>	BCP 376
<b>The Offertory Hymn</b> <i>Hymnal 120</i>	Blue Hymnal
<b>The Great Thanksgiving</b> <i>The Lord be with you...</i>	BCP 367
<b>The Sanctus</b> <i>Hymnal S-130</i>	Blue Hymnal
<b>The Lord's Prayer</b> <b>Our Father</b> , who art in heaven...	BCP 364
<b>The Breaking of the Bread</b> <i>Fraction Anthem Hymnal S-164</i>	Blue Hymnal
<b>Invitation to Communion</b> <i>The Gifts of God...</i>	BCP 364
<b>Communion Hymn</b> <i>NCH 168 (Choir)</i>	Insert
<b>Communion Hymn</b> <i>Hymnal 339</i>	Blue Hymnal
<b>Communion Hymn</b> <i>WLP 771</i>	Insert
<b>The Postcommunion Prayer</b> <i>Eternal God,...</i>	BCP 365
<b>Blessing</b> <i>May Christ the Son of God be manifest in you...</i>	
<b>The Closing Hymn</b> <i>Hymnal 616</i>	Blue Hymnal
<b>The Dismissal</b> Let us go forth in the name of Christ.	
<i>People</i> <b>Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.</b>	



*Barb Janulis (1-06)*  
*Marianna Rauen Argueta (1-07)*  
*Cindy Rutz (1-10)*  
*Eric and Teresea Beach (1-08)*

*Donna Davis (2024)*  
*Mel Figolah (2023)*  
*Fr. Micheal P. Ruggaber (2023)*  
*Josephine Dunbar (2019)*  
*Margaret Shafer (2021)*  
*Virginia Hobson (2013)*  
*Elizabeth Miller (2007)*  
*Mary Clemens (2004)*  
*Helen Dickey (1991)*  
*Mary Schultz (1987)*  
*William Hawkins (1982)*  
*Luis French (1963)*



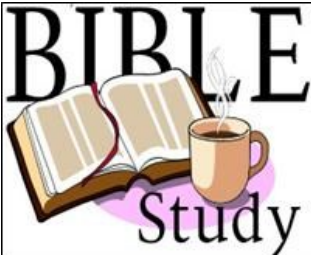
# Church Happenings



Please mark your calendar for the Annual Meeting. This will take place on February 4, 2024. More information will be forthcoming.



Thursday, **January 11, 2024** Red Cross Blood Drive in the Gathering Space from 1:00pm to 6:00pm. Please call 1-800-733-2767 or visit Red-CrossBlood.org and enter StAndrewsValpo to schedule and appointment.



**NO Bible Study January 10.** Following the Holy Eucharist for Healing, join us January 17 for Perspectives on Paul an introduction to St. Paul, his writings, and writings about the Apostle to the Gentiles. Holy Eucharist at 6:00 PM, study (and snacks!) beginning about 7:00 pm.



The Reunification Discernment Committee of the Diocese of Northern Indiana would like to hear from you! Come share potentials you see, concerns you have, and dreams you hold for the Episcopal Church in Indiana. (Meeting held via Zoom. Times listed in Eastern time zone.) Listening Sessions - January 10, 7-8 p.m., January 17, 7-8 p.m., January 22, 7-8 p.m., January 27, 10:30-11:30 a.m., February 1, 7-8 p.m.



**Sundays, from 4:00 pm to 5:30** the youth group will meets in the education wing. If you have any questions, please contact Jen Rodd at [sundayschool@standrewsvalpo.org](mailto:sundayschool@standrewsvalpo.org)

*Arise, shine; for  
your light has come,  
and the glory of the  
Lord has risen upon  
you.*



The feast of the Epiphany on January 6<sup>th</sup> ends the 12 days of Christmas and ushers in a new liturgical season. While Advent is a season of waiting and preparation, and Christmastide is a season of celebration,

Epiphanytide is a turning outward to the world. In Western church practice, it celebrates the arrival of the Magi from the east to the cradle of the Christ child in Bethlehem as recounted in St. Matthew's Gospel. The word "Epiphany" means "manifestation" or "appearing". It makes sense that Epiphany comes right after Christmas. Christmas is about the birth of Jesus; Epiphany is about the spread of the good news to the wider world.

One tradition related to Epiphany is blessing of chalk for blessing homes at Epiphany. The chalk is used by the faithful and used to mark a blessing over or on the doors of the home.

**Please take a piece of chalk and prayers to bless your own home!**



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