

The First Sunday after the Epiphany:
THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST



January 12, 2025

10:15 AM

Welcome to St. Chrysostom's Episcopal Church!

*Thank you for joining us for today's worship service. All visitors are welcome guests!
You'll find welcome cards in the pews; please fill one out and put it in the offering plate
so we can get to know you!*

*The Soft Space at the front of the church has books & toys for when our youngest
members need to stretch their legs.*





CHORAL EUCHARIST, RITE II



THE PRELUDE

Prelude on CHRIST, UNSER HERR, ZUM JORDAN KAM

J.S. Bach

The People stand as the Procession enters

HYMN 139

The Hymnal 1982

CHRIST, UNSER HERR, ZUM JORDAN KAM



1 When Je - sus went to Jor - dan's stream his Fa - ther's will o -
 2 The Ho - ly Spi - rit then was shown, a dove on him de -
 3 He came by wa - ter and by blood to heal our lost con -



bey - ing, and was bap - tized by John, there came
 scend - ing; the Tri - une God is thus made known
 di - tion; he cleans - es, rec - on - ciles to God,



a voice from hea - ven say - ing, "This is my dear be -
 in Christ as love un - end - ing. He taught, he healed, he
 and gives the Great Com - mis - sion. Then let us not heed



lov - èd Son up - on whom rests my fa - vor."
 raised the dead, yet, in his great en - deav - or
 world - ly lies nor rest up - on our mer - it,



And till God's will is ful - ly done he will not bend or
 to save us, his own blood was shed; but death could hold him
 but trust in Christ who will bap - tize with wa - ter and the



wa - ver, for he is Christ the Sa - vior.
 nev - er. He rose, and lives for ev - er.
 Spi - rit that we may life in - he - rit.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Celebrant says 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 421

All glory be to God on high

ALLEIN GOTT IN DER HÖH



1 All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace on earth from
2 O Lamb of God, Lord Je - sus Christ, whom God the Fa - ther
3 You on - ly are the Ho - ly One, who came for our sal -



hea - ven, and God's good will un - fail - ing - ly be
gave us, who for the world was sac - ri - ficed up -
va - tion, and on - ly you are God's true Son, who



to all peo - ple giv - en. We bless, we wor - ship you, we raise for
on the cross to save us; and, as you sit at God's right hand and
was be - fore cre - a - tion. You on - ly, Christ, as Lord we own and,



your great glo - ry thanks and praise, O God, Al - might - y Fa - ther.
we for judg - ment there must stand, have mer - cy, Lord, up - on us.
with the Spi - rit, you a - lone share in the Fa - ther's glo - ry.

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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 WORD OF GOD ✠

The People sit

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 43:1-7

The Lector says A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

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. 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. 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. 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. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; 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--everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**



Ascribe to the / Lord, you Gods, *

ascribe to the Lord / glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory / due his Name; *

worship the Lord in the beau/ty of holiness.

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory / thunders; *

the Lord is upon the / mighty waters.

The voice of the Lord is a / powerful voice; *

the voice of the Lord is a / voice of splendor.

The voice of the Lord breaks the / cedar trees; *

the Lord breaks the ce/dars of Lebanon.

He makes Lebanon / skip like a calf, *

and Mount Hermon / like a young wild ox.

The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire;

the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness of / Kadesh; *

the Lord shakes the wilder/ness of Kadesh.

The voice of the Lord makes the / oak trees writhe *

and / strips the forests bare.

And in the temple of the / Lord *

all are /crying, "Glory!"

The Lord sits enthroned a/bove the flood; *

the Lord sits enthroned as / King forevermore.

The Lord shall give strength to his / people; *

the Lord shall give his people the / blessing of peace.

THE EPISTLE

Acts 8:14-17

The Lector says A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

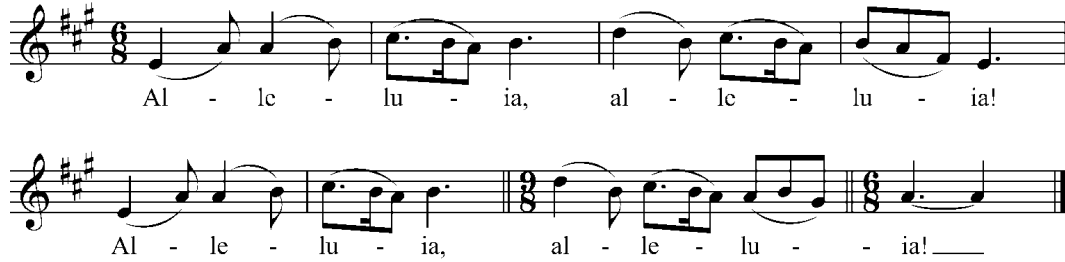
The People stand

ALLELUIA

CELTIC ALLELUIA - RBHOSKINS

The Congregation stands to sing

The Cantor intones the Alleluia, All repeat it. The Cantor sings the verse, All repeat the Alleluia.



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VERSE: Arise, shine for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Gospeller
People

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

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, 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. 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."

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, 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."

Gospeller
People

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The People sit

THE SERMON

The Rev. Chana Tetzlaff,
Associate for Children, Youth & Families

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 Leader says 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.

Silence is kept

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.

Silence is kept

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.

Silence is kept

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.

Silence is kept

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 for **Ann, Audrey, Beth, Bill, Bob, Brian & Sandra, Byron, Carmen, Cindy, Connor, David, Donald, Ed, Esther, Geraldine, Jackie, Jan, Jeannine, Jenny and her family, Jodi, John, Justin, Karen, Leah and her family, Malcolm, Mitch, Nancy, Paige, Pam, Pamela, Paul, Penny, Peter, Petra, Richard, and Sam;**
are there others?

Silence is kept

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.

Silence is kept

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant concludes

Hasten, O Father, the coming of your kingdom; and grant that we your servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold your Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION

BCP 359

A Minister says Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The People may kneel or remain standing

A brief period of silence is kept, after which the Ministers and People say in unison:

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 Celebrant stands and says 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

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord

The People may be seated for the Welcome & Announcements

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

Anyone celebrating a birthday or anniversary is encouraged to come forward

O God, our times are in your hand:

Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) as *they* begin another year.
Grant that *they* may grow in wisdom and grace,
and strengthen *their* trust in your goodness all the days of *their* life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE OFFERTORY



Offering baskets will be distributed to the congregation; please give as you're able in support of the mission and ministries of St. Chrysostom's. You may also give via QR Code, texting GIFTSTC to 73256 or at <https://onrealm.org/SaintC/give/offertory>

ANTHEM

Verbum caro factum est

Hans Leo Hassler

*The word was made flesh and dwelt among us;
and we beheld his glory as of the only Son of the Father,
full of grace and truth.*

The People stand

HYMN 124: VERSE 5

The Hymnal 1982

PUER NOBIS

**All laud, eternal Son, to thee
whose advent sets thy people free:
Whom with the Father we adore,
and Holy Spirit evermore.**

✠ THE HOLY COMMUNION ✠

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer 2 (Enriching Our Worship)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant continues

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with saints and angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Missa super "Dixit Dominus", Hans Leo Hassler

*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.*

The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with John Chrysostom and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER *said by all*

The Celebrant says

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

**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.

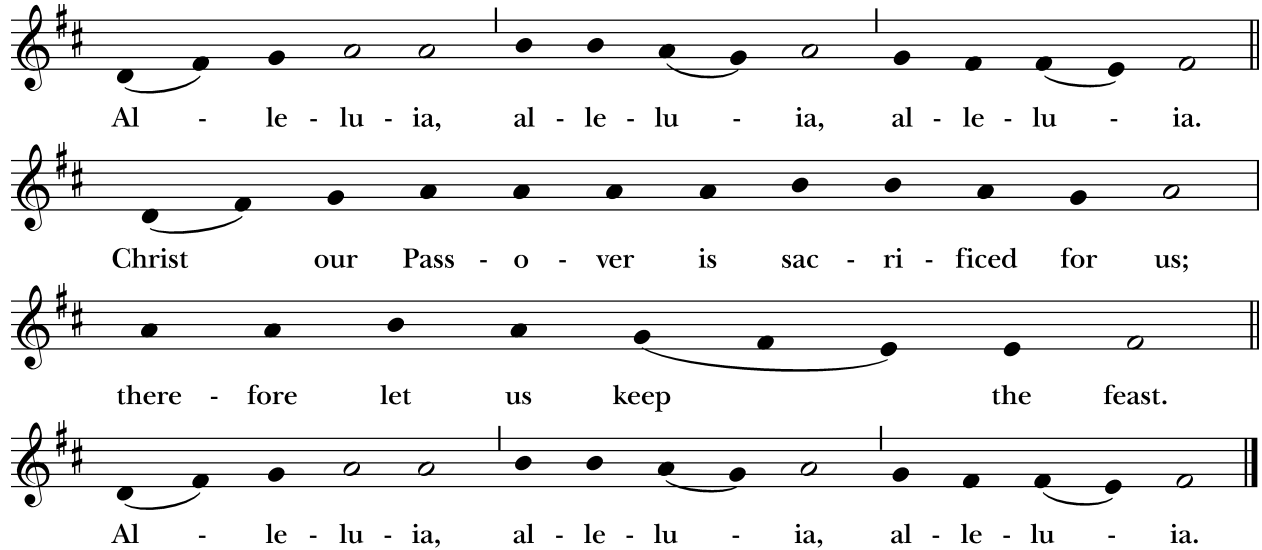
**And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.



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.

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The Celebrant offers the following Invitation

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.

All baptized people and all those seeking a deeper relationship with Christ are invited to receive Holy Communion. Please come forward, using the center aisle, to the altar rail at either the High Altar or the Crane Chapel, and return to your pew using the side aisles. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you prefer instead to receive a blessing, simply cross your arms over your chest.

AGNUS DEI

Hassler

*Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world: grant us peace.*

At the invitation of the Celebrant, the People stand

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 366

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.

THE FINAL BLESSING

The Celebrant pronounces God's blessing upon the People

The Ministers and Choir process from the Sanctuary during the Hymn

HYMN 121

The Hymnal 1982

CAITHNESS

1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spi - rit on you came,
2 God called you his be - lov - ed Son, called you his ser - vant true,
3 Straight - way and stead - fast un - til death you then o - beyed his call
4 Bap - tize us with your Spi - rit, Lord, your cross on us be signed,

as peace - ful as a dove and yet as ur - gent as a flame.
sent you his king - dom to pro - claim, his ho - ly will to do.
free - ly as Son of Man to serve and give your life for all.
that, like - wise in God's ser - vice we may per - fect free - dom find.

THE DISMISSAL

Minister Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God.**

THE POSTLUDE

In Thee is gladness

J.S. Bach



PARTICIPANTS IN THIS SERVICE

The Rev. Dr. Sam Portaro, *Celebrant*
The Rev. Chana Tetzlaff, *Preacher*

The Choir of St. Chrysostom's Church

Richard Barrick Hoskins, *Director of Music & Organist*
Thomas Colao, *Associate Director of Music & Organist*

Mike Sammon, *Verger*

John Bankhurst, *Crucifer*

Doug Hoffman and Chezeray Moore, *Lectors*

Sydney Armstrong, *Intercessor*

Lynn Belding, *Chalice Bearer*

Luke Matthews and Kevin Baldwin, *Ushers*

John Bankhurst, Ryan Kin, and Lynn Belding, *Altar Guild*

THE CHOIR

Hannah De Priest, Patty Kennedy, Erica Schuller
Lisa Rogers Lee, Luke Lemmeier
Chuck Chandler, Charles Cooney, Jonathan Weyant
Ed Frazier Davis, Gabriel Reitemeier, Nick Ward

CARILLONNIST

Jim Fackenthal

Notes on Today's Service Music

Johann Sebastian Bach's monumental *Clavierübung, Dritter Teil, (Keyboard Practice, Third Part)* contains large and small works written in the form of a Lutheran organ mass: a Prelude and Fugue frame chorales which correspond to the various parts of the service, Kyrie, Gloria, Creed, etc., as sung in 18th century Lutheran liturgical practice. Each of these works portray in their counterpoint, text-painting, and gesture, Bach's most profound theological thinking, combining as a whole to form a veritable Prayer Book. One of the large choral settings, *Christ, unser Herr zum Jordan kam* (When Jesus went to Jordan's stream) was sung as a reminder of our baptism. Bach sets the chorale melody (Hymn 139) in the pedal, heard in long notes. A two-voice florid accompaniment is heard in the manuals over the chorale tune and represents the flowing waters of the River Jordan. The left hand plays continuous 16th notes under sparkling right-hand figurations.

Hans Leo von Hassler (1564-1612), son of Isaac Hassler (town musician of Nuremberg) and a celebrated organist and composer, was the first German composer to go to Italy and study with the famous Andrea Gabrieli in Venice. Upon his return he was Music Director in Augsburg, then appointed to the court of the Elector of Saxony. His glorious setting of John 1:14 shows the direct influence of his Venetian teacher in its alternation of high and low choirs and its over-all homophonic chordal structure. The text is set in declamatory fanfare-like passages and in shorter, more complex rhythmic sections. The work was first printed in Nuremberg in 1597. Hassler's *Missa super Dixit Maria* is based on his motet *Dixit Maria*, drawing various melodic fragments from the motet's beautiful setting.

In dir ist Freude is the largest setting of the chorales included in Bach's *Orgelbüchlein*, a collection of chorale preludes for the church year. The phrases of the chorale tune are heard as the opening notes of the counterpoint (*Vorimagination*) and the pedal part is virtuosic. Bach keeps us intrigued as to what the entire chorale melody is as he only lets us hear the first four notes of this joyous, dance-like work. Eventually the entire melody is lined out in the Soprano voice. This charming carol is associated with the coming of the Saviour and the beginning of the new year.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. CHRYSOSTOM'S

THE WARM HANDS PROJECT The Good Samaritan Committee invites you to bring new or gently used pairs of gloves to church each Sunday through January 19 to warm the hands of the many we serve at St. Chrys's Closet. We hope that the bin at the back of the church will be filled by each of you in the next weeks as temperatures drop and drop. The workers at the St. Chrys's Closet tell us they cannot hand gloves out quickly enough! **We will run this drive from December 15 through January 19.**

The Good Samaritan Committee is a group of committed members of St. Chrysostom's who work closely with partner agencies in our city to alleviate suffering and foster lives of service in our parish. If you'd like more information about the GSC, contact Judy Bross (judycbross@aol.com).

SAVE THE DATE! ANNUAL MEETING ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 26

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend the Annual Meeting of St. Chrysostom's Church and Day School on Sunday, January 26, immediately following the 10:15 AM service! Parish leadership will offer reports on the state of our mission and ministries in 2024, we'll look ahead to plans for 2025, and we'll elect new Vestry members. Breakfast will be served! Look for more information in the days and weeks to come.

NEXT SUNDAY, 1/19: HARPSICHORD AND GUITAR RECITAL AT 3:00 PM

Join us as we continue our 2024-2025 season as Ars Musica presents a duo recital featuring Artistic Director, harpsichordist Jason Moy, and guitarist Brandon Acker. This free concert celebrates the rich history of the harpsichord and guitar—two of the most important plucked instruments in Western music—through music by Gaspar Sanz, Santiago de Murcia, Francisco Tárrega, and Johann Sebastian Bach. Admission is FREE - a freewill donation will be collected at the door. For program information, please visit www.arsmusicachicago.org

ST. CHRYSOSTOM'S NEEDLEWORK CLUB Bring your knitting, crocheting, needlepoint, quilting, or any other handwork you'd like to work on in a nice Sunday evening community. We will meet in the Rector's office from 5-630pm on Sunday, January 12. If the group enjoys the time and the activity, then we can add dates after January. The church will provide coffee, tea, and cookies! Any questions or to RSVP, contact ian@saintc.org.

EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF CHICAGO 2025 PRE-LENTEEN MEN'S RETREAT

The 22nd annual Men's Pre-Lenten Retreat for the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago will be held from 5.00pm on Friday February 21st, 2025 to 5.00pm on Saturday February 22nd, 2025 at the DeKoven Center, Racine, Wisconsin. Our Retreat Leader will be the Rev Ian Burch, Rector of St. Chrysostom's Church in Chicago. The theme for this Retreat will be "Embracing Second Chances". The Retreat movie will be "Something the Lord made". For more information and to register please visit www.saintc.org/2025-pre-lenten-mens-retreat. See you there!



STAY IN THE LOOP! Be sure you're on our email list so that you don't miss any news from St. Chrysostom's! Follow the QR code at left, contact the Parish Office at 312-944-1083, or email info@saintc.org and we'll be sure you're added. Find us on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and on the web at www.saintc.org. Any of our clergy or staff will be glad to assist you!

ST. CHRYSOSTOM'S BOOK CLUB – 2ND WEDNESDAYS AT 1:30 PM

The St. Chrysostom's Book Club will be meeting only via Zoom during the winter months, so we hope you will join us from the comforts of home. We meet at 1:30 pm on the 2d Wednesday of each month and have lively, interesting discussions led by a different member each month, usually accompanied by mid-afternoon treats! We are always happy to have new members join us – please email Dee Jarrett Dow (rosebowl@mac.com) to receive the Zoom link.

February 12: One Thousand White Women: The Journals of May Dodd by Jim Fergus, *led by Dee Jarrett Dow*

March 12: The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store by James McBride, *led by Anne Brinsmade*

THE RECTOR'S BOOK CLUB RESUMES!

Everyone is welcome to join the Rector's Book Club—an informal group that meets once a month on Thursday nights from 6-7:30p to discuss great books in the Rector's Study. We read across all genres and no experience is required! If you have any questions, or you'd like to volunteer to bring snacks, please email ian@saintc.org. Our winter book selections are as follows:

- January 23: The Story of Your Life and Others by Ted Chiang
- February 20: The House of Doors by Tan Twan Eng
- March 20: The Last Unicorn by Peter S. Beagle
- April 10: *Wild Card! The group will choose this book together!*

ST. CHRYS'S CLOSET

St. Chrys's Closet serves the huge population of migrants, refugees, and homeless who are our neighbors in the city of Chicago. We desperately need items for cold weather in sizing from newborn thru adult plus sizes. We need coats, hat, mittens/gloves, head bands, boots, sweaters, sweatshirts, fleece, jeans, snow pants, etc. We would appreciate your drop offs at St. Chrys' Closet at the shop door on the Church of the Ascension campus. Volunteers are needed to sort and organize clothes, Mon-Sat 9 am to 4pm or Sundays 12-4pm. Please contact Laurel Cravens (lpcravens@gmail.com) to coordinate.

FAMILY GAME NIGHT SUNDAY, 1/26

Let the games begin! Please join your fellow parishioners for a family game night on Sunday, January 26 at 4 PM, hosted by The Women of St. Chrysostom's. The whole family is welcome! Play bingo, card games, etc. and enjoy a pizza dinner! Watch your email for further details and to RSVP.

FLOWER GUILD MINISTRY & ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATIONS The Flower Guild's ministry is to provide floral designs to enhance our worship experience, and we accept donations of altar flowers to partially defray the cost of floral arrangements. Altar flowers may be donated in memory of a loved one, or in celebration of a blessing or milestone.



To donate, please use the QR code at left, or contact the Parish Office (info@saintc.org). A minimum donation of \$100 is requested. Please note that at least one week's notice is needed for inclusion in any Sunday service leaflet. To learn more about the Flower Guild's work, please email Angie Yorath (mayorath@sbcglobal.net).

WORD OF THE WEEK One of the things that makes Episcopalians distinctive is that we have words for just about everything! For the next several weeks, the Rector will run a series where we introduce one of the words that are used regularly in either Episcopal worship or governance with a short definition. (All definitions are taken from www.episcopalchurch.org)

Christology (n.) The work of Christ concerns the action of God in the Incarnation in "reconciling the world to himself" (2 Cor 5:19). Since the sixteenth century, many Protestant and some Anglican theologians have focused their discussion of Christ's work in the "three offices" of prophet, priest, and king. From the Greek Christos, "Christ," and logia, "doctrine." In Christian theology the word refers to the doctrine of Christ. It can be used in a broad sense to designate the whole body of teaching about Jesus the Christ, including both his person and his work. The traditional scope of Christology, however, is narrower. It covers only an exposition of the person of Christ, usually in terms of the Chalcedonian Definition, a carefully balanced formula designed to express both the full humanity of Jesus of Nazareth and his full divinity as the Son of God.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAYS	8:00 am	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
	9:00 am	Adult Christian Formation
	10:15 am	Choral Eucharist, Rite II, or Choral Morning Prayer, Rite II (4th Sundays)
	11:25 am	Coffee Hour & Fellowship
TUESDAYS	12:00 pm	The Rector's Weekly Bible Study
	6:30 pm	Zoom Bible Study
WEDNESDAYS	7:30 am	St. Chrys. Kitchen lunch drop-off (until 9:00)
	6:00 pm	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
THURSDAYS	10:00 am	Zoom Bible Study

The Parish Office is open Monday – Friday from 9:00 am – 4:30 pm



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