

# ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Fincastle, Virginia

10:00 a.m.

January 18, 2026

## The Second Sunday after the Epiphany 10:00am Morning Prayer Rite I

PRELUDE

*Shall We Gather at the River*

arr. J. Raney

OPENING HYMN

SONGS OF THANKFULNESS AND PRAISE

#135

1 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.

2 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.

3 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.

4 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.**

*Songs of thankfulness and praise*, #135 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: Sts. 1-3, Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885); st. 4, F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984). St. 4, Copyright © The Church Pension Fund. Music: *Salzburg*, melody Jakob Hintze (1622-1702); harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750).

**OPENING SENTENCES**

BCP 40

*The people kneel or sit in silence*

**CONFSSION**

BCP 41

**Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare thou those who confess their faults, restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.**

**THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

BCP 42

*[A deacon or lay person using the preceding form remains kneeling, and substitutes "us" for "you" and "our" for "your."]*

Officiant: The Almighty and merciful Lord grant us absolution and remission of all our sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Ghost. Amen.

**INVITATORY AND PSALTER**

BCP 42

Officiant: O Lord, open thou our lips.

**People: And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.**

**All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

**VENITE**

HYMNAL S-5

- 1 O come, let us sing unto the Lord;  
let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.
- 2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving,  
and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.
- 3 For the Lord is a great God,  
and a great King above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are all the corners of the earth,  
and the strength of the hills is his also.
- 5 The sea is his and he made it,  
and his hands prepared the dry land.
- 6 O come, let us worship and fall down  
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
- 7 For he is the Lord our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture  
and the sheep of his hand.
- 8 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;  
let the whole earth stand in awe of him.
- 9 For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth,  
and with righteousness to judge the world  
and the peoples with his truth.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

*Daily Morning Prayer I, The Invitatory: Venite*, #5 from *The Hymnal 1982, Service Music* — Music: John Naylor (1838-1897).

*People Sit*

**THE PSALM 40:1-12**

BCP 640

[READ RESPONSIVELY, BY WHOLE VERSE]

- 1 I waited patiently upon the LORD; \*  
he stooped to me and heard my cry.
- 2 He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay; \*  
he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure.
- 3 He put a new song in my mouth,  
a song of praise to our God; \*  
many shall see, and stand in awe,  
and put their trust in the LORD.
- 4 Happy are they who trust in the LORD! \*  
they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.
- 5 Great things are they that you have done, O LORD my God!  
how great your wonders and your plans for us! \*  
there is none who can be compared with you.
- 6 Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! \*  
but they are more than I can count.
- 7 In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure \*  
(you have given me ears to hear you);
- 8 Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required, \*  
and so I said, “Behold, I come.
- 9 In the roll of the book it is written concerning me: \*  
‘I love to do your will, O my God;  
your law is deep in my heart.’”
- 10 I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; \*  
behold, I did not restrain my lips;  
and that, O LORD, you know.
- 11 Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;  
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance; \*  
I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the  
great congregation.
- 12 You are the LORD;  
do not withhold your compassion from me; \*  
let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever,

**CHILDREN'S HOMILY**

*People Sit*

**A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ISAIAH 49:1-7**

**L**isten to me, O coastlands,  
pay attention, you peoples from far away!

The LORD called me before I was born,  
    while I was in my mother's womb he named me.  
He made my mouth like a sharp sword,  
    in the shadow of his hand he hid me;  
he made me a polished arrow,  
    in his quiver he hid me away.  
And he said to me, "You are my servant,  
    Israel, in whom I will be glorified."  
But I said, "I have labored in vain,  
    I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;  
yet surely my cause is with the LORD,  
    and my reward with my God."

And now the LORD says,  
    who formed me in the womb to be his servant,  
to bring Jacob back to him,  
    and that Israel might be gathered to him,  
for I am honored in the sight of the LORD,  
    and my God has become my strength--  
he says,  
"It is too light a thing that you should be my servant  
    to raise up the tribes of Jacob  
    and to restore the survivors of Israel;  
I will give you as a light to the nations,  
    that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

Thus says the LORD,  
    the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,  
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,  
    the slave of rulers,  
"Kings shall see and stand up,  
    princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,  
because of the LORD, who is faithful,  
    the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

#### CANTICLE 1

#### WHAT WONDROUS LOVE IS THIS

#439

1 **What wondrous love is this,**  
    **O my soul, O my soul!**  
**What wondrous love is this,**  
    **O my soul!**  
**What wondrous love is this**  
**that caused the Lord of bliss**  
    **to lay aside his crown**  
        **for my soul, for my soul,**  
    **to lay aside his crown**  
        **for my soul.**

2 **To God and to the Lamb,**  
    **I will sing, I will sing,**  
**to God and to the Lamb,**  
    **I will sing.**  
**To God and to the Lamb**  
**who is the great I AM,**

**while millions join the theme,  
I will sing, I will sing,  
while millions join the theme  
I will sing.**

**3 And when from death I'm free,  
I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
and when from death I'm free,  
I'll sing on.  
And when from death I'm free  
I'll sing and joyful be,  
and through eternity  
I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
and through eternity  
I'll sing on, I'll sing on.**

*What wondrous love is this*, #439 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: American folk hymn, ca. 1835. Music: *Wondrous Love*, from *The Southern Harmony*, 1835; alt. acc. Carlton R. Young, (b. 1926).

#### A READING FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. JOHN 1:29-42

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.” The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*People stand*

CANTICLE 2

SURELY IT IS GOD WHO SAVES ME

#679

**1 Surely it is God who saves me;  
    trusting him, I shall not fear.  
For the Lord defends and shields me  
    and his saving help is near.  
So rejoice as you draw water  
    from salvation’s living spring;  
in the day of your deliverance  
    thank the Lord, his mercies sing.**

**2 Make his deeds known to the peoples;  
    tell out his exalted Name.  
Praise the Lord, who has done great things;  
    all his works his might proclaim.  
Zion, lift your voice in singing;**

**for with you has come to dwell,  
in your very midst, the great and  
Holy One of Israel.**

*Surely it is God who saves me*, #679 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: Carl P. Daw, Jr. (b. 1944); para. of *The First Song of Isaiah*. Copyright © 1982 by Hope Publishing Company, Carol Stream, IL 60188. All Rights Reserved. Used by permission. Music: *Thomas Merton*, Ray. W. Urwin (b. 1950). Copyright © 1984 Ray W. Urwin.

*People sit*

THE SERMON

JAKE WEBB

*People stand*

THE APOSTLES' CREED

BCP 53

*[The intercessor leads the people in affirming their faith with these words]*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;  
    who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
    born of the Virgin Mary,  
    suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
    was crucified, dead, and buried.  
    He descended into hell.**

**The third day he rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
    and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.**

**From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost,  
    the holy catholic Church,  
    the communion of saints,  
    the forgiveness of sins,  
    the resurrection of the body,  
    and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 54

The Lord be with you.  
**And with thy spirit.**  
Let us pray.

**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.**

SUFFRAGES A

BCP 55

Intercessor: O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

**People:** And grant us thy salvation.  
Intercessor: Endue thy ministers with righteousness;  
**People:** And make thy chosen people joyful.  
Intercessor: Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
**People:** For only in thee can we live in safety.  
Intercessor: Lord, keep this nation under thy care;  
**People:** And guide us in the way of justice and truth.  
Intercessor: Let thy way be known upon earth;  
**People:** Thy saving health among all nations.  
Intercessor: Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
**People:** Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.  
Intercessor: Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
**People:** And sustain us with your Holy Ghost.

## THE PARISH PRAYERS

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 163

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that thy people, illumined by thy 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 the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

### THE COLLECT FOR MISSION

BCP 58

### THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING [UNISON]

BCP 58

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we thine unworthy servants  
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks  
for all thy goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all men.  
We bless thee for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for thine inestimable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ,  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we beseech thee,  
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,  
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;  
and that we show forth thy praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to thy service,  
and by walking before thee  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,  
be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen

## A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

BCP 59

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication unto thee, and hast promised through thy well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name thou wilt be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OFFERTORY

*Truro*

arr. I. Good

*People stand*

### DOXOLOGY (SUNG)

*Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow*

(#380, v. 3)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

## BENEDICTION

## BLESSING

### CLOSING HYMN

CHRIST, WHOSE GLORY FILLS THE SKIES

#7

- 1 Christ, whose glory fills the skies,  
    Christ, the true, the only Light,  
    Sun of Righteousness, arise!  
    Triumph o'er the shades of night:  
Dayspring from on high, be near;  
Daystar, in my heart appear.
  
- 2 Dark and cheerless is the morn  
    unaccompanied by thee;  
joyless is the day's return,  
    till thy mercy's beams I see,  
till they inward light impart,  
    glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
  
- 3 Visit then this soul of mine!  
    Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!  
Fill me, radiancy divine;  
    scatter all my unbelief;  
more and more thyself display,  
    shining to the perfect day.

*Christ, whose glory fills the skies*, #7 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: *Ratisbon*, melody from *Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn*, 1524; adapt. att. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870); harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870), alt.

## DISMISSAL

### POSTLUDE

*Wondrous Love*

arr. P. Keveren

## St. Mark's Weekly Prayer List

Prayer requests for individuals and families are left on for 4 Sundays unless requested. If you wish for someone to be left on longer, please let the office know at the time you make the request.

**IN OUR ARMED FORCES:** **Patrick** Funkhouser; **Erin** Funkhouser; **Nathan** Bradley; **Mason** Alexander; **Reeve** Alexander; **Jimmy** Brown; **Eric** Burton; **Ali** Taha; **Griffith** Wood; **Logan** Ching; and **First Responders**.

**THANKSGIVING:** For those celebrating birthdays this week: None

*Flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God by Michelle Cook in honor of the birthday of Marla Cook.*

**SEMINARIANS:** Parker Hughes.

### THOSE IN NEED:

Danielle Alexander	Chelsea G. H.	David Ostrowski
Carol Anderson	Chuck Geiger	Gary Overbay
Jason Christian Bayer	Crofton Held	Janet P.
The Rev. Sue Bentley	Pat Honts	Doug Paysour
Cousin Beth	Tommy Hunter	Roderick Plenge
John Beverley	Meg Johnson	Sis Proffitt
The Rev. Bob Brodie	Ed Johnston	Roman
Kris Browning	Sharon LaVonne Kidwell	Brook Roncinske
Adam Burkley	Stephanie Keith	Mario Saade
Kay Canham	Yvonne Killers	Savannah
Gabrielle Clouser	Allen Layman	Sue Spickard
Marla Cook	Helen Madine-Gregory	Patti Suite
Angela Coon	Si Mandros	Suzanne
Cora	Darlene Martin	Mike Thompson
Jacob Crawford	Mary	Sherry Vinson
Jeremiah Crawford	Laura Holt McCann	Virginia
Suzanne Cronise	Ella Mitchell	Krystal Weaver
Bryce Dalton	Joe Mix	Charlie Webb
Connie Diez	Liz Moore	Jerry Webb
Josh diPalma	Charley Neil	Gary Welch
Christine E.	Edward Neil	Chad Whitaker
Evelyn Edwards	Matthew Neil	Denise Williamson
Claire Ferguson	Penny Neil	Bruce Wilsie
Brooke Forney	Judy Newbern	Kim Wyrick
	Marie Nganele	

**FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:** Lucile Bondurant.

**FOR THOSE WHO ARE GRIEVING:** Bondurant and Parish families.

### St. Mark's Prayer Ministries

Willis and Jake are available to talk and pray: call, email or text them.

*We Care Ministry:* A prayer and service ministry for St. Mark's

Contact: Carole Geiger (geiger.caroleb@gmail.com)

Prayer Chain: Emergency situations contact Susan Hays by phone (540) 884-2555

## Parish Activities – Week of January 18, 2026

### Sunday, January 18 - The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

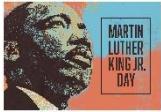
9:00am - Adult Education class in the Education room ~ *Introduction to the Study of Religion*

10:00am - Morning Prayer, Rite I

### Monday, January 19

OFFICE CLOSED

12:00pm - Bridge  
Group meets



### Tuesday, January 20

6:00pm - Vestry Meeting

7:00pm - Open AA

### Wednesday, January 21

3:30-6:00pm - BMA Rehearsal  
7:30pm - Evening Prayer Rite II on Zoom

### Thursday, January 22

10:00am - Dorcas Needlework Guild

12:05pm - Brown Bag Bible Study

### Friday, January 23

Office Closed

### Saturday, January 24

9:30am - Botetourt Food Pantry

7:00pm - Open AA meeting

### **Serving Us Today**

OFFICIANT & PREACHER: JAKE WEBB

LEM/INTERCESSOR: EMILY TALBOT-GUILLOTE

2<sup>ND</sup> CHALICE BEARER:

LECTOR: KAREN BEASLEY

ACOLYTE: COLLIN MURPHY

MUSICIAN: ANNA PRESTON

ALTAR GUILD: JENINE, CULLIGAN, SUSAN HAYS

COUNTERS: PHIL COFFEY, TBD

USHERS: PAUL & AMANDA MURPHY

### **The Rev. G. Willis Logan, Rector**

Jake Webb, Assistant to the Rector

Gina Painter, Office Manager/Vestry Clerk

Jim Johnston, Treasurer

Tommy Hunter, Organist Emeritus      Anna Preston, Music Minister

Allison Caldwell & Ana Uotinen, Children/Youth Ministers

### **Vestry (Lay Leadership)**

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