

Epiphany 1 Sunday January 7

Collect

Heavenly Father,
at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son:
may we recognize him as our Lord
and know ourselves to be your beloved children;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Psalm 29

¹ Ascribe to the Lord, you powers of heaven,
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

² **Ascribe to the Lord the honour due to his name;
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.**

³ The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders;
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

⁴ **The voice of the Lord is mighty in operation;
the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.**

⁵ The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees;
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

⁶ **He makes Lebanon skip like a calf
and Sirion like a young wild ox.**

⁷ The voice of the Lord splits the flash of lightning;
the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

⁸ **The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe
and strips the forests bare;
in his temple all cry, 'Glory!'**

⁹ The Lord sits enthroned above the water flood;
the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore.

¹⁰ **The Lord shall give strength to his people;
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.**

Mark 1:4-11

4 John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. 5 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. 6 Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. 7 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. 8 I have baptized you with [b] water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.'

9 In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. 10 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. 11 And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

Epiphany 2 Sunday January 14

Collect

Eternal Lord,
our beginning and our end:
bring us with the whole creation
to your glory, hidden through past ages
and made known
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18

¹ O Lord, you have searched me out and known me;
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.

² **You mark out my journeys and my resting place
and are acquainted with all my ways.**

³ For there is not a word on my tongue,
but you, O Lord, know it altogether.

⁴ **You encompass me behind and before
and lay your hand upon me.**

⁵ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me,

so high that I cannot attain it.

**6 Where can I go then from your spirit?
Or where can I flee from your presence?**

¹³ I thank you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made;
marvellous are your works, my soul knows well.

**¹⁴ My frame was not hidden from you,
when I was made in secret
and woven in the depths of the earth.**

¹⁵ Your eyes beheld my form, as yet unfinished;
already in your book were all my members written,

**¹⁶ As day by day they were fashioned
when as yet there was none of them.**

¹⁷ How deep are your counsels to me, O God!
How great is the sum of them!

**¹⁸ If I count them, they are more in number than the sand,
and at the end, I am still in your presence.**

Reading: John 1:43-51

⁴³ The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, 'Follow me.' ⁴⁴ Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵ Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.' ⁴⁶ Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?' Philip said to him, 'Come and see.' ⁴⁷ When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' ⁴⁸ Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' ⁴⁹ Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' ⁵⁰ Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' ⁵¹ And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

Epiphany 3 Sunday January 21

Collect

God of all mercy,
your Son proclaimed good news to the poor,
release to the captives,
and freedom to the oppressed:
anoint us with your Holy Spirit
and set all your people free
to praise you in Christ our Lord.

Psalm 128

¹ Blessed are all those who fear the Lord,
and walk in his ways.

**² You shall eat the fruit of the toil of your hands;
it shall go well with you, and happy shall you be.**

³ Your wife within your house
shall be like a fruitful vine;
your children round your table,
like fresh olive branches.

**⁴ Thus shall the one be blest
who fears the Lord.**

⁵ The Lord from out of Zion bless you,
that you may see Jerusalem in prosperity
all the days of your life.

**⁶ May you see your children's children,
and may there be peace upon Israel.**

Reading: John 2:1-11

¹ On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ² Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³ When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' ⁴ And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' ⁵ His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' ⁶ Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty

or thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸ He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. ⁹ When 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 ¹⁰ and 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.' ¹¹ Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Epiphany 4 Sunday January 28

Collect

God of heaven,
you send the gospel to the ends of the earth
and your messengers to every nation:
send your Holy Spirit to transform us
by the good news of everlasting life
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Psalm 111

¹ Alleluia.

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,
in the company of the faithful and in the congregation.

² **The works of the Lord are great,
sought out by all who delight in them.**

³ His work is full of majesty and honour
and his righteousness endures for ever.

⁴ **He appointed a memorial for his marvellous deeds;
the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.**

⁵ He gave food to those who feared him;
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

⁶ **He showed his people the power of his works
in giving them the heritage of the nations.**

⁷ The works of his hands are truth and justice;
all his commandments are sure.

⁸ **They stand fast for ever and ever;
they are done in truth and equity.**

⁹ He sent redemption to his people;
he commanded his covenant for ever;
holy and awesome is his name.

¹⁰ **The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
a good understanding have those who live by it;
his praise endures for ever.**

Reading: Mark 1:21-28

²⁹ The next day John saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰ This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me." ³¹ I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.' ³² And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. ³³ 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." ³⁴ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.'