

"Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising." *Isaiah 60:3* 

# **The First Sunday of Epiphany** January 7, 2024



Welcome to Church of Our Savior. We are a part of the Gulf Atlantic Diocese of the Anglican Church in North America. We proudly uphold the traditional faith and values of our Anglican heritage, while seeking new ways to reach people with the transformational love of Jesus Christ.

We believe that Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior over heaven and earth and that He has called those who follow Him to be His witnesses in the world. Those who put their faith in Him have been transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit into a new life, a resurrection life. We believe that because Jesus rose from the dead all people can experience the promise of abundant life through a personal relationship with Him.

The great Christian thinker C.S. Lewis once described the transformational power of walking through life with Jesus when he wrote:

## "I believe in Christianity as I believe that the sun has risen: not only because I see it, but because by it I see everything else."

It is our hope and prayer that as you join us you will know for yourself the unconditional love and grace of Our Savior Jesus Christ, in your own life.

The Rev. David Ball

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## Welcome

-The Congregation is invited to stand

## **Opening Hymn**

## As With Gladness Men Of Old

As with gladness men of old Did the guiding star behold As with joy they hailed its light Leading onward beaming bright So most gracious Lord may we Evermore be led to Thee

As with joyful steps they sped To that lowly manger bed There to bend the knee before Him whom heav'n and earth adore So may we with willing feet Ever seek Thy mercy seat

As their precious gifts they laid At Thy manger roughly made So may we with holy joy Pure and free from sin's alloy All our costliest treasures bring Christ to Thee our heav'nly King

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## The Acclamation

Officiant:I will make you as a light for the nations,People:that my salvation may reach to the end of the<br/>earth." Isaiah 49:6

## The Collect for Purity

-The Celebrant and the People pray together

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.

## The Summary of the Law

#### -The Celebrant continues

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets. *Matthew* 22:37-40

## The Kyrie

Celebrant:	Lord, have mercy upon us.	
People:	Christ, have mercy upon us.	
Celebrant:	Lord, have mercy upon us.	

### **Praise Song**

#### There Is One Gospel

There is one Gospel on which I stand For all eternity It is my story my Father's plan The Son has rescued me Oh what a Gospel oh what a peace My highest joy and my deepest need Now and forever He is my light I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ There is one Gospel to which I cling All else I count as loss For there where justice and mercy meet He saved me on the cross No more I boast in what I can bring No more I carry the weight of sin For He has brought me from death to life I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

There is one Gospel where hope is found The empty tomb still speaks For death could not keep my Saviour down He lives and I am free Now on my Saviour I fix my eyes My life is His and His hope is mine For he has promised I too will rise I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

And in this Gospel the church is one We do not walk alone We have His Spirit as we press on To lead us safely home And when in glory still I will sing Of this old story that rescued me Praise to my Saviour the King of life I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

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## The Collect of the Day

Celebrant:	The Lord be with you.
People:	And with your spirit.
Celebrant:	Let us pray.

-The Celebrant prays the Collect of the Day

-The congregation may be seated

-9am Service: Children age 5 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to "Splash Kids". They will return during Holy Communion.

#### The Lessons

### A Reading from Philippians 1:1-11

Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus,

To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are at Philippi, with the overseers and deacons:

<sup>2</sup> Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>3</sup>I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, <sup>4</sup>always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with <sup>5</sup> because of your partnership in the gospel from the first iov. day until now. <sup>6</sup> And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup> It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. <sup>8</sup> For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. <sup>9</sup>And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, <sup>10</sup> so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of <sup>11</sup> filled with the Christ. fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

Reader:The Word of the Lord.People:Thanks be to God.

-All stand

### The Gradual - Instrumental

### Gospel Lesson from John 13:31-35

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.*People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.* 

<sup>31</sup> When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. <sup>32</sup> If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup> Little children, yet a little while I am with you. You will seek me, and just as I said to the Jews, so now I also say to you, 'Where I am going you cannot come.' <sup>34</sup> A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. <sup>35</sup> By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord. *People: Praise to you Lord Christ.* 

## The Gradual- Instrumental

-The Congregation may be seated

## The Sermon

-All stand

## The Nicene Creed

-Officiant and People together

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

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, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic<sup>\*</sup> 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.

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-The Congregation may remain standing, kneel or be seated.

## The Prayers of The People

-The Congregation is invited to sit, stand, or kneel for the Prayers of the People

Celebrant: In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy"

#### The Reader Prays:

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault, by your grace at the day of Christ's coming.

Reader: We pray to you, O Lord. 6 *People: Hear our prayer.*  For Foley, our Archbishop, for Alex, our Bishop and his wife Jody, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God. We pray for these churches in our Diocese: St. Barnabas, New Life, and St. Peter's Mission. We lift up our children's and youth ministries, our nursery, Splash Kids, Trail Life and American Heritage Girls. Jesus, you declared to your disciples that no one should hinder any children from coming to you. May you use these ministries and their leaders to guide our children into a personal relationship with you.

# Reader:We pray to you, O Lord.People:Hear our prayer.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, and that all people will know that we are your disciples by the way that we have love for one another.

Reader:	We pray to you, O Lord.
People:	Hear our prayer.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth in both word and deed. We especially pray for First Coast Women's Services in their ministry to the preborn and their parents and for Cross Cultural Connections in their ministry to those suffering from human trafficking.

Reader:We pray to you, O Lord.People:Hear our prayer.

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel. We pray for our One Initiative. That the Lord will use us to reach those who are walking in darkness.

Reader:We pray to you, O Lord.People:Hear our prayer.

For those in positions of public trust and service, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person.

Reader:We pray to you, O Lord.People:Hear our prayer.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected.

Reader:	We pray to you, O Lord.
People:	Hear our prayer.

For this congregation that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, give us true humility, that we may be your missionaries in this world and show forth your glory in all that we say and do.

Reader:	We pray to you, O Lord.
People:	Hear our prayer.

We give you thanks for all who have died in the faith of the resurrection from the dead and the assurance in Christ that they are at rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal.

Reader:We pray to you, O Lord.People:Hear our prayer.

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

-The Congregation is invited to offer up their own prayers and petitions

Reader:	Lord, in your mercy:
People:	Hear our prayer.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the believers, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God. Reader:We pray to you, O Lord.People:Hear our prayer.

-The Celebrant concludes with the following prayer

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. *Amen.* 

### The Confession and Absolution of Sin

Celebrant: Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

-All pray together

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.

-Priest stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

## The Comfortable Words

-The Celebrant may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying

Celebrant: Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. *Matthew* 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. *John 3:16* 

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15* 

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. *1 John 2:1-2* 

## The Peace

Celebrant:The Peace of the Lord be always with you.People:And with your spirit.

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

## Announcements

## Offering

### Ways to give on Sunday morning

-Online at church-savior.org/give

-Text offering amt to (904) 606-1165 & follow prompts

-Place offering in the basket as it is passed

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

- The offerings are collected and the holy table is prepared

## Offertory

## We Three Kings (Kings Of Orient)

We three kings of Orient are Bearing gifts we traverse afar Field and fountain moor and mountain Following yonder star O star of wonder star of night Star with royal beauty bright Westward leading still proceeding Guide us to Thy perfect light

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain Gold I bring to crown Him again King forever ceasing never Over us all to reign

O star of wonder star of night Star with royal beauty bright Westward leading still proceeding Guide us to Thy perfect light

Glorious now behold Him arise King and God and sacrifice Alleluia alleluia Peals through the earth and skies

O star of wonder star of night Star with royal beauty bright Westward leading still proceeding Guide us to Thy perfect light

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-All stand

## The Doxology

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. Amen.

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## The Great Thanksgiving

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

#### -The Celebrant continues

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

- The Celebrant may pray the proper preface.

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:

#### -Celebrant and People

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

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- The people are invited to stand, kneel or be seated.

## The Prayer of Consecration

#### -The Celebrant begins

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

#### -Celebrant and People

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, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy sacrament, and be made one body with him, so that he may dwell in us and we in him. And bring us with all your saints into the fullness of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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

#### -The Celebrant then says

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

#### -Officiant and People

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.

People:	Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.
	sacrificed, once for all upon the Cross.
Celebrant:	Alleluia. Christ our Passover Lamb has been

## The Ministration of Communion

-Facing the People, the Celebrant may say 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.

-The Celebrant will receive the Lord's Supper on behalf of those who are unable to receive themselves at this time.

-The Lord's Supper will be distributed as congregants come forward by row, when released by the usher.

-All who have made the decision to put their faith in Jesus Christ and have been baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are invited to come and receive this Holy Communion.

-Gluten Free wafers are available. Please ask the Celebrant.

## **Communion Hymns**

### He Will Hold Me Fast

When I fear my faith will fail Christ will hold me fast When the tempter would prevail He will hold me fast I could never keep my hold Through life's fearful path For my love is often cold He must hold me fast

He will hold me fast He will hold me fast For my Savior loves me so He will hold me fast

Those He saves are His delight Christ will hold me fast Precious in His holy sight He will hold me fast He'll not let my soul be lost His Promises shall last Bought by Him at such a cost He will hold me fast *(Chorus)* 

For my life He bled and died Christ will hold me fast Justice has been satisfied He will hold me fast Raised with Him to endless life He will hold me fast Till our faith is turned to sight When He comes at last (*Chorus 2x's*)

For my Savior loves me so He will hold me fast

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## We Will Feast In The House Of Zion

We will feast in the house of Zion We will sing with our hearts restored He has done great things we will say together We will feast and weep no more

We will not be burned by the fire He is the Lord our God We are not consumed by the flood Upheld protected gathered up *(Chorus)* 

In the dark of night before the dawn My soul be not afraid For the promised morning oh how long Oh God of Jacob be my strength *(Chorus)* 

Every vow we've broken and betrayed You are the faithful one And from the garden to the grave Bind us together bring shalom *(Chorus)* 

## The Post Communion Prayer

-After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

-Celebrant and People together say the following

Heavenly Father,
We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

## The Blessing

-The Bishop when present, or the Priest, gives this or an alternate blessing

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen* 

## **Closing Hymn**

## Go Tell It On The Mountain

Go tell it on the mountain Over the hills and ev'rywhere Go tell it on the mountain That Jesus Christ is born While shepherds kept their watching O'er silent flocks by night Behold throughout the heavens There shone a holy light

Go tell it on the mountain Over the hills and ev'rywhere Go tell it on the mountain That Jesus Christ is born

The shepherds feared and trembled When lo above the earth Rang out the angel chorus That hailed the Savior's birth

Go tell it on the mountain Over the hills and ev'rywhere Go tell it on the mountain That Jesus Christ is born

Down in a lowly manger The humble Christ was born And God sent us salvation That blessed Christmas morn

Go tell it on the mountain Over the hills and ev'rywhere Go tell it on the mountain That Jesus Christ is born

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## Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!



# **Recurring Events**

Events are held at COOS unless otherwise noted and are subject to change. Check with the office to confirm!

# <u>Worship God</u>

## Sunday Worship Services 9:00\* & 11:00am \*Livestream

**Nursery**: Polka-Dot Playhouse: *Loving care in a clean, safe playhouse*. Infants thru 4yrs @ <u>both services.</u>

Kid's Program: Splash Kids: *Dive in - Get Soaked!* 5yrs thru 5th grade. <u>Exclusively at 9:00am Service</u>

Tuesday Intercessory Prayer: 9:30am-11:30am Sanctuary

## Love One Another

#### <u>Fellowship</u>

Enjoy "Snacks & Chats" after service.

Fellowship Groups - House Parties resume week of Jan 8th

#### Men

Breakfast Bible Study: **Monday:** Starling at Nocatee for study at 10:30am **Tuesday**: IHOP Hodges Blvd. 7:15-8:15 am

#### <u>Women</u>

Friday Bible Study- Resumes January 12

#### <u>Youth</u>

Youth Group: 6-12th grade - TBD Trail Life USA & American Heritage Girls, Tuesday, 6:30pm

# <u>Share Christ</u>

**Mission House:** Serve a meal at a local homeless shelter, 5<sup>th</sup> Fridays **Avante Nursing Home**: Monday, 2:00pm. Communion Service with the residents and staff

**Beaches Rescue & Recovery Mission**: Serving the homeless throughout the year.

**Prayer requests & Praise reports** - Share via Connect Cards, online at church-savior.org or, emailed to church@church-savior.org.

Our church services may involve photography and/or video recordings. By attending, you consent to the use of these materials. Consent, extends to any individual under your care.

# WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

# **Fellowship Groups Kick-Off**

Beginning this week (Jan 8-12), informal Fellowship Groups meet in several homes around the area. These "house parties" are a fun and safe way to get to know others and share life together. Fellowship Groups meet for 8-10 weeks at a time throughout the year. If you are new to Fellowship Groups, please contact the Church Office to get connected to one!

## 904-821-8558 | church@church-savior.org

## Save the Date:

Annual Meeting- Sunday January 28 at 10am

Serving This Week			
Service Time	9:00	11:00	
Welcoming	Abby	Beverly	
Reading	Judy S	Melike	
<b>Prayers of the People</b>	Butch	Pat W	
Ushers	Bill B	Mark & Kim	
Altar Guild Set: Tiffie. Reset: Kathy G Take Down: Mary-Stuart			

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