

# St John's Episcopal Church Walpole, NH

January 24, 2021, Third Sunday after the Epiphany

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*After the Announcements, a period of silence is kept. Please stand as you are able for the hymn*

HYMN

*The Hymnal 537*

1 Christ for the world we sing! The world to  
2 Christ for the world we sing! The world to  
3 Christ for the world we sing! The world to  
4 Christ for the world we sing! The world to

Christ we bring with lov - ing zeal; the poor, and  
Christ we bring with fer - vent prayer; the way - ward  
Christ we bring with one ac - cord; with us the  
Christ we bring with joy - ful song; the new - born

them that mourn, the faint and o - ver - borne,  
and the lost, by rest - less pas - sions tossed,  
work to share, with us re - proach to dare,  
souls, whose days, re - claimed from er - ror's ways,

sin - sick and sor - row - worn, whom Christ doth heal.  
re - deemed at count - less cost from dark de - spair.  
with us the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.  
in - spired with hope and praise, to Christ be - long.

*People remain standing until the psalm*

Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.

*Isaiah 60:3*

## CONFESSION

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Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

**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.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

*Celebrant:* Lord, open our lips,  
*People* **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise**  
*Celebrant and Officiant* **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Alleluia.**

DEUS, DEUS, MEUS *Psalm 63:1-8*

*Officiant:* The Lord has shown forth his glory.

*People:* **Come let us adore him.**

**O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; \*  
my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,  
as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.  
Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, \*  
that I might behold your power and your glory.  
For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; \*  
my lips shall give you praise.  
So will I bless you as long as I live \*  
and lift up my hands in your Name.  
My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, \*  
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,  
When I remember you upon my bed, \***

and meditate on you in the night watches.  
For you have been my helper, \*  
and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.  
My soul clings to you; \*  
your right hand holds me fast.

*Officiant:* The Lord has shown forth his glory.

*People:* **Come let us adore him.**

PSALM 62:6-14

*Read in unison. People may be seated.*

6 For God alone my soul in silence waits; \*  
truly, my hope is in him.  
7 He alone is my rock and my salvation, \*  
my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.  
8 In God is my safety and my honor; \*  
God is my strong rock and my refuge.  
9 Put your trust in him always, O people, \*  
pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.  
10 Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, \*  
even those of low estate cannot be trusted.  
11 On the scales they are lighter than a breath, \*  
all of them together.  
12 Put no trust in extortion;  
in robbery take no empty pride; \*  
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.  
13 God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, \*  
that power belongs to God.  
14 Steadfast love is yours, O Lord, \*  
for you repay everyone according to his deeds.

*Following the Psalm:* **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.**

OLD TESTAMENT

*Jonah 3:1-5, 10*

The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, "Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

CANTICLE 12

O all ye works of God now come  
to thank him and adore;  
O angels sing and bless the Lord  
and praise him evermore.  
O sun and moon and stars of heav'n  
your endless praise outpour;  
O changing seasons, bless the Lord  
and praise him evermore.  
O heat and cold, O night and day,  
O storms and thunder's roar,  
O fields and forests, bless the Lord  
and praise him evermore.  
O earth and sea, O all that live  
in water or on shore,  
O men and women bless the Lord  
and praise him evermore.  
O let his people bless the Lord  
like righteous souls of yore;  
let those of holy, humble heart  
come praise him evermore.

THE EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

*Following the Lesson...*

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

HYMN

(HYMN CONTINUES ON NEXT PAGE)

*Hymnal 550*

*Unison or harmony*

1 Je - sus calls us; o'er the tu - mult  
2 as, of old, Saint An - drew heard it  
3 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship  
4 In our joys and in our sor - rows,  
5 Je - sus calls us! By thy mer - cies,

1 of our life's wild, rest - less sea, day by day his  
 2 by the Gal - i - le - an lake, turned from home and  
 3 of the vain world's gold - en store; from each i - dol  
 4 days of toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in  
 5 Sa - vior, make us hear thy call, give our hearts to

1 clear voice sound - eth, say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me;"  
 2 toil and kin - dred, leav - ing all for his dear sake.  
 3 that would keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."  
 4 cares and plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."  
 5 thine o - be - dience, serve and love thee best of all.

THE GOSPEL

*Mark 1:14-20*

A Reading from the Gospel of Mark.

After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

*The Rev. Duncan Hilton*

THE APOSTLES' CREED

*Book of Common Prayer, Page 96*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
 creator of heaven and earth;**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
 and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
 was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERTORY

Offerings may be mailed to PO Box 179, Walpole NH, 03608

*The Doxology*

PRAYERS

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*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Officiant* 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 B

**V.** Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;  
**R.** **Govern and uphold them, now and always.**  
**V.** Day by day we bless you;  
**R.** **We praise your Name for ever.**  
**V.** Lord, keep us from all sin today;  
**R.** **Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.**  
**V.** Lord, show us your love and mercy;  
**R.** **For we put our trust in you.**  
**V.** In you, Lord, is our hope;  
**R.** **And we shall never hope in vain.**

THE COLLECTS

INTERCESSIONS

*In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People may offer their own prayers.*

*Form II, Page 385*

Celeste Garbarino, Lisa Dumont, Charles Nash, Bobby Hall, Cassandra Sweeney, Joanna Crocker

THE PEACE

*People may unmute and greet one another.*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

HYMN (HYMN CONTINUES ON NEXT PAGE)

*Hymnal 470*

1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy like the wide-ness of the sea;  
2 There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than up in heaven;  
3 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sure of the mind;

there's a kind-ness in his jus - tice, which is more than lib - er - ty.  
there is no place where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given.  
and the heart of the E - ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.

There is wel - come for the sin - ner, and more gra - ces for the good;  
There is plen - ti - ful re - demp - tion in the blood that has been shed;  
If our love were but more faith - ful, we should take him at his word;

there is mer - cy with the Sa - vior; there is heal - ing in his blood.  
there is joy for all the mem - bers in the sor - rows of the Head.  
and our life would be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
 we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
 for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
 to us and to all whom you have made.  
 We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
 and all the blessings of this life;  
 but above all for your immeasurable 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 pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
 that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
 not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
 by giving up our selves to your service,  
 and by walking before you  
 in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
 to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
 be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

## CONCLUDING VERSICLE AND RESPONSE

Let us bless the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

## CLOSING SENTENCE

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## POSTLUDE

**PARTICIPANTS TODAY**

Organist – **Christopher Evatt**  
 Lay Reader – **Charlie Montgomery and Scott Meiller**

**CALENDAR**

**Sunday 1/24, 10 am - 3rd Sunday after Epiphany – Annual Meeting at 11 am**  
**Sunday 1/31, 10 am – Pastor Duncan Away**  
**Tuesday 2/2, 7 pm – Candlemas and Seed Blessing**  
**Sunday 2/7, 10 am – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**  
**Sunday 2/14, 10 am – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**  
**Wednesday 2/17, 8:30 am – Ash Wednesday**  
**Sunday 2/21, 10 am – First Sunday of Lent**  
**Sunday 2/28 – Pastor Duncan Away**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS****RACIAL JUSTICE AND “SACRED GROUND”**

There was a spirited conversation after diocesan annual convention, including interest in taking action on the diocesan resolution to "act in accordance with our baptismal vows, in particular as it pertains to racial justice in the history and actions of our state and church." One option is for folks from St. John's who are interested to partner with another church and work through the 10-

week "Sacred Ground" curriculum. It is a "film- and readings-based dialogue series on race, grounded in faith. Small groups are invited to walk through chapters of America's history of race and racism, while weaving in threads of family story, economic class, and political and regional identity." Please email Duncan if you'd like to be part of a small group. The group will next meet on **Tues., 2/2 at 10 am** on Zoom.

### **CANDLEMAS WORSHIP, TUES. FEB 2/2, 7 PM**

Candlemas is a Christian Holy Day commemorating the [presentation of Jesus at the Temple](#). In England and Ireland this holy day is associated with blessing seeds and candles. The worship will follow the format of Evening Prayer with a special time for blessing seeds and candles. Bring yours to be blessed!

*St. John's Priest-in-Charge, the Rev. Duncan Hilton, may be reached at [pastor@stjohnswalpole.org](mailto:pastor@stjohnswalpole.org) or at the office phone (603-756-4533).*

## **Notice of Annual Meeting St. John's Episcopal Church Walpole, New Hampshire**

We, the Officers of St. John's Episcopal Church, representing the majority of the members of the Church, hereby agree and consent that the Annual Meeting of the parish be held on the date and at the time and place stated below. The purpose of the Annual Meeting is to elect Vestry Officers, Vestry Members, Convention Delegates and Alternates, to receive and review the Annual Budget for the Parish for 2021 as agreed to by the Vestry, and to transact such other business as may lawfully come before the said Meeting.

**Place of Meeting:** St. John's Zoom Meeting Room  
<https://zoom.us/j/5759275615>

**Time and Date of Meeting:** 11 o'clock AM, Sunday, January 24, 2021

**Slate of Candidates:**

Senior Warden	(Term of 2 Years)	Marilyn Wilking
Treasurer	(Term of 2 Years)	Sarah Downing
Clerk	(Term of 2 Years)	Dr. Charles Montgomery
Vestry Member	(Term of 3 Years)	Dan Scott
Vestry Member	(Term of 2 Years)	
Vestry Member	(Term of 1 year)	
Three Convention Delegates (One Year Terms)		
Two Alternate Convention Delegates (One Year Terms)		

**Signed on behalf of the Officers of the Vestry:**

John M. Pratt, Clerk