



God,
we thank thee, and praise thy
glorious name.

1 Chronicles 29:13 (KJV)

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**FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE
EPIPHANY
(The Baptism of Our Lord)**

January 11, 2026

**MORNING PRAYER – RITE II
11:00 A.M.**

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THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD



FELLOWSHIP HOUR

The Christian Gathering continues after this service with fellowship and refreshments in the undercroft.

PLEASE JOIN US!!!!!!

January 18 - Family Dinner, Parish Meeting



1 EPIPHANY

First Sunday after the Epiphany:
The Baptism of Our Lord



Revised Common Lectionary

COLLECT

Sunday, January 11, 2026

Traditional

FATHER IN HEAVEN, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan didst proclaim him thy beloved Son and anoint 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 thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

Contemporary

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.*

FIRST READING: *Isaiah 42:1-9*

HERE IS MY SERVANT, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching. Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the

LORD, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the LORD, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

Refrain

The voice of the LORD is upon the waters.

Psalm 29 *from The Book of Common Prayer*

- 1 Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, * ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due 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 a powerful voice; * the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.
- 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 Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; 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.

LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.

9 And in the temple of the LORD * all are crying, “Glory!”

11 The LORD shall give strength to his people; * the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

10 The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; * the

SECOND READING: Acts 10:34-43

PETER BEGAN TO SPEAK to Cornelius and those who had assembled: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ —he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

GOSPEL: Matthew 3:13-17

JESUS CAME FROM GALILEE to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK:

Monday, January 12, 2026

Tuesday, January 13, 2026

Wednesday, January 14, 2026

Thursday, January 15, 2026

Friday, January 16, 2026

Saturday, January 17, 2026

Sunday, January 18, 2026

11 a.m. - Holy Eucharist/Zoom

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

January

11	- Valerie L. Burston
20	- Taylor Bulls
28	- Nancy B. Washington
30	- Enid Bowers

NEWS FROM AROUND THE EPISCOPAL & ANGLICAN DIOCESES

195th Convention of The Episcopal Church in Alabama is scheduled to meet February 5-7 at Camp McDowell, Nauvoo, AL. This years theme is "Good News for a New Day." St. Andrew's Delegates to the Convention are Jolai Jenkins and Charlotte Marbory.

NEWS/EVENTS

T.U. (www.tuskegee.edu)

A.U. (www.auburn.edu)

EVENTS (Birmingham, Montgomery, Selma, Tuskegee)

Observe Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day: 1) Have breakfast with community leaders and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity members on Monday, January 19 at Tuskegee University (see any Alpha man for details), 2) Search online to plan your day: 'The Alabama Civil rights Trail' which features historical sites in Alabama honoring 'soldiers' who fought and died for equal rights in Alabama 3) Volunteer at any of the sites listed above 4) Sign up to Volunteer at Alabama Rural Ministry, www.arm-al.org 5) Donate time and/or talents to make MLK Day a 'day of service' not just a 'day off.'

MLK Day is a Federal Holiday, established to honor the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on the 3rd Monday in January. Dr. King was a Baptist Minister and leader of the Civil Rights Movement, championing justice and equality through nonviolence and civil actions by following the teachings of Mahatma Ghandhi and his philosophy.

PRAYER LIST

CHRISTINA ANDERSON

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MARGARET 'KATIE' JONES

HERON JONES

*Local Parishioners

** Shut-In Parishioners

THE DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

We pray for our Companion Diocese of Honduras and their bishop, Lloyd; Cursillo Secretariat; Vocare Steering Committee; Happening Steering Committee; Epiphany, Guntersville; Epiphany, Leeds; and Epiphany, Tallassee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS!!

- **ARMED FORCES:** Please pray for our service men and women stationed in the U.S. and overseas, especially, DeRitha Marbory Barber, Sam and Margaret Gunn Bunton, Christopher Childers, Kyle F. Graham, Shavone Marbory Hogan, Jabar and Kenya Lee Steward.
- **PRAYERS:** Continue to pray for those on the Prayer List, friends, family and all humankind afflicted by disease, war and famine. Pray for peace!
- **REMINDER:** Please continue to furnish our Food Basket with non-perishable food items (located on the ground floor of the Education Building).
- **REMINDER:** The link for the Sunday ZOOM Companion service can be reached by dialing: 1-312-626-6799, Meeting ID: 882 671 9532, Passcode: 008810 or click on your email invite.
- **REMINDER:** Do you need a *Pledge Card*?
- **ATTENTION:** The 2025 Annual Report meeting for St. Andrew's will be *Sunday, January 18, 2026*. If you are the Chairperson or President of a church organization, it's not too early to start writing your organization's 'Annual Report.' If you feel nudged toward joining the Vestry (parish governing body) or want to explore what Vestry service looks like, reach out to the Sr. Warden, George Bulls or the Parish Secretary, Denise Dixon. Candidates are formally elected at the Annual Meeting.
- **CONGRATULATIONS:** Parishioners James C.B. Samuel (Tuskegee, AL) and Nancy Braye Washington (Columbus, GA) retired from the workforce after 40+ years of employment, December 31, 2025. Sending heartfelt wishes for this new chapter of your life. Happy retirement!

**Additional announcements are listed inside the bulletin.*