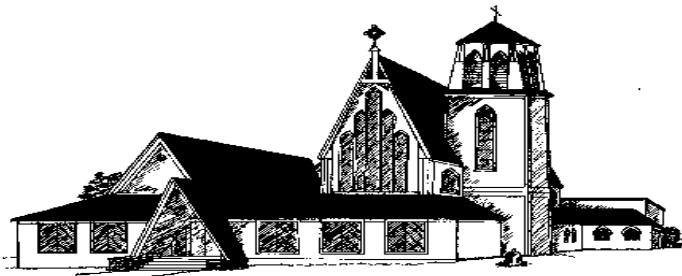


**SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**  
**January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026**



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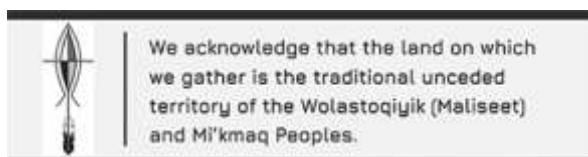
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**10:30 am**

**Morning Prayer**

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The liturgy is according to *The Book of Common Prayer*

**PREPARATION AND PRAISE**

**Greeting and Opening Sentence**

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**Opening Hymn “Ye Holy Angels Bright” CP 323**

1      Ye holy angels bright,  
Who wait at God’s right hand,  
Or through the realms of light  
Fly at your Lord’s command,  
Assist our song,  
Or else the theme too high  
Doth seem for mortal tongue.

2      Ye blessed souls at rest,  
Who ran this earthly race,  
And now, from sin released,  
Behold the Saviour’s face,  
Your praises sound, as in God’s sight  
With sweet delight  
Ye do abound.

3      Ye saints, who toil below,  
Adore your heavenly King,  
And onward as ye go,  
Some joyful anthem sing;  
In God rejoice, and thus proclaim  
The holy name,  
With sounding voice.

4      My soul, bear thou thy part,  
Triumph in God above,  
And with a well-tuned heart  
Sing thou the songs of love!  
Let all thy days till life shall end,  
Whatever God send,  
Be filled with praise.

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## THE WORD OF GOD

### **First Reading** Isaiah 49:1-7

A reading from Isaiah.

<sup>1</sup> Listen 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.  
<sup>2</sup> 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.  
<sup>3</sup> And he said to me, 'You are my servant,  
Israel, in whom I will be glorified.'  
<sup>4</sup> But I said, 'I have laboured 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.'  
<sup>5</sup> 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 honoured in the sight of the Lord,  
and my God has become my strength—  
<sup>6</sup> 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.'

<sup>7</sup>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.' *[NRSV-A]*

Hear God's word for God's people.

**Thanks be to God.**

***Psalm 40:1-12***

<sup>1</sup>I waited patiently upon the Lord; \*  
he stooped to me and heard my cry.

<sup>2</sup>**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.**

<sup>3</sup>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.

<sup>4</sup>**Happy are they who trust in the Lord! \***  
**they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.**

<sup>5</sup>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.

<sup>6</sup>**Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! \***  
**but they are more than I can count.**

<sup>7</sup>In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure \*  
(you have given me ears to hear you);

<sup>8</sup>**Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required, \***  
**and so I said, "Behold, I come.**

<sup>9</sup>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.'

<sup>10</sup>**I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; \***  
**behold, I did not restrain my lips;**  
**and that, O Lord, you know.**

<sup>11</sup> 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.**

**Second Reading** 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

A reading from First Corinthians.

<sup>1</sup> Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,  
<sup>2</sup> To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:  
<sup>3</sup> Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.  
<sup>4</sup> I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup> for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— <sup>6</sup> just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you— <sup>7</sup> so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup> He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup> God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. [NRSV-A]

Hear God's word for God's people.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual Hymn** "Sing of Andrew, John's Disciple" CP 273

**Gospel Lesson** John 1:29-42

The Holy Gospel is written in the first chapter of the Gospel according to Saint John beginning at the twenty-ninth verse.  
**Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

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

<sup>35</sup> The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, <sup>36</sup> and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, ‘Look, here is the Lamb of God!’ <sup>37</sup> The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup> 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?’ <sup>39</sup> 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. <sup>40</sup> One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. <sup>41</sup> He first found his brother Simon and said to him, ‘We have found the Messiah’ (which is translated Anointed). <sup>42</sup> 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). [NRSV-A]

## The Gospel of Christ. **Praise be to thee, O Christ**

## Sermon Paul Desjardins

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<b>Collect of the Day</b>	

*Officiant*      Let us pray.      **REMAIN STANDING**

Almighty God,  
your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ  
is the light of the world.

May your people, illumined by your word and sacraments,  
shine with the radiance of his glory,  
that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed  
to the ends of the earth;  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

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<b>Closing Hymn “Sing a New Song unto the Lord”</b>	<b>CP 312</b>

*Refrain*      *Sing a new song unto the Lord;*  
                  *Let your song be sung from mountains high.*  
                  *Sing a new song unto the Lord, singing alleluia.*

1      Yahweh's people dance for joy.  
          Oh come before the Lord  
          and play for him on glad tambourines,  
          and let your trumpet sound. *Refrain*

2      Glad my soul,  
          for I have seen the glory of the Lord.  
          The trumpet sounds; the dead shall be raised.  
          I know my Saviour lives.

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**Those serving for this church's worship and learning today:**

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<i>Bulletin preparation</i>	Lori Maker (Parish Office)
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Joyce Mithell & Ann Stone
<i>Sunday School</i>	Laura Janes
<i>Sound system</i>	Chris Titus
<i>Greeter</i>	Lori McGovern & Carol Patterson
<i>Layreader &amp; First Reader</i>	Paul Desjardins
<i>Second Reader</i>	Patti Skidmore
<i>Prayer Leader</i>	Layreader
<i>Keyboardist</i>	Helen Gollings
<i>Guitarist</i>	Shayne Galbraith
<i>Officiant &amp; preacher</i>	Paul Desjardins
<i>Counters</i>	Terry Ricketts & Janet Brown
<i>Building care</i>	Beverly Janes

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**Those serving in our outreach this week:**

<b>Sun, Jan 18, 11:45 am</b>	Janet Brown
HVHS Lunch Programme preparation (Large Hall kitchen)	Terry Ricketts
<b>Mon, Jan 19, 11:30 am</b>	Terry Ricketts
HVHS Lunch Programme delivery (from Large Hall)	Tim Ricketts

*Who's serving next week is on the Narthex bulletin board.*

**THIS WEEK**

<b>Mon, Jan 19, 6:00 pm</b>	<u>Tintinnabula Hand Bell Choir</u> (Small Hall) For more info contact Lynn Adams at 506 635-8474
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**Wed, Jan 21, 10:00 am**

**Wed, Jan 21, 7:00 pm**

Saint John and District Senior's  
Shuffleboard (Large Hall) For more info  
contact Pauline Wilson at 506 738-8677  
Choir practice (Small Hall) For more  
info contact David Mitchell at 506 738-  
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## **FOR OUR WORSHIP AND LEARNING**

**Next Sunday – January 25 *The Third Sunday after The Epiphany*** Scripture readings Isaiah 9:1-4; Psalm 27:1, 5-13; 1 Corinthians 1:10-18; Matthew 4:12-23

**January 25th - 4:00 Celebration of New Ministry with Archbishop David Edwards and Fr. Chris**

## **NOTICES**

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**Celebration of New Ministry – *Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm***

This special service, led by Archbishop David Edwards, is to celebrate our new incumbent priest, induct him into this position and formally enter into a ministry covenant. It will be followed with a meal and if you do plan to stay for dinner, please notify the office or sign the sheet in the narthex so that we can get a rough count to determine how much food to prepare. While we appreciate an estimate on attendance for dinner, last minute plans can change and all should feel welcome to join us if that happens!

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### **Seafarer's Mission**

We will be collecting items for the Seafarer's Mission during the month of January. Suggested items are hats, scarves, gloves or mitts, socks, wrapped hard candy (no chocolate), soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, shampoo, shaving foam, razors, deodorant, lip balm, playing cards, puzzle, books, pens, writing paper , postcards.

**Youth Connection:**

This is a shared, Friday night, youth ministry between our Church of the Good Shepherd and Stone Church for students in grades 5-10. Youth in grade 11 or older are also welcome but will have more of a leadership role. Church of the Good Shepherd will host bi-weekly beginning on Friday, January 23, 6-8pm. Youth Connection provides a shared meal as part of our evening together.

**Chris+ will lead a five part study of the Book of Jonah** at Church of the Good Shepherd. Please contact Chris+ or Lori to register by Monday, January 19 so that we know how many booklets to prepare. Two Options: Morning Prayer @ 9:30, Bible Study Starts @ 10:00 or Evening Prayer @ 6:30, Bible Study Starts @ 7:00. Part I - Saturday, January 24 - Introduction to Jonah; Part II - Saturday, February 7 - Jonah 1-2; Part III - Saturday, February 21 - Jonah 2-3; Part IV - Saturday, March 7 - Jonah 3-4; Part V - Saturday, March 21 - The Gospel According to Jonah.

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***Happy Birthday this Week to:***

January 18 – Christopher Titus  
January 19 – Tessa Scott  
January 20 – Sharon Titus

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**PRAYER**

**Prayer for folks in nursing or special care homes**

Ginny Abbott, Diane Cormier, Frances Finley, Ann Hoben, Ruth Northeast, Elizabeth Parks, Elsie Rusling, Arlene Trask

**Prayer for those in hospital or sick at home**

Andrew Aalund, Diane Basque, Margaret Boyer, Edith Chilton, Shelly Clark Collins, Linda Cunningham, Jo-Ann Diamond, Bonnie Dean, Wendy DeWitt, Ernest Ellingwood, Barb Ellis, Debbie Green, Kaye Mallory, Pam Melanson, Michael Penchoff, Susan Penchoff, Carol Price, Margaret Ann Reid, Lois Shaw, Bob Sherwood, Mykayla Spinney, Norm Toole, Dennis Totton, Joe Totton, Robbie Wong.

**Parish Cycle of Prayer for Week of January 18-24, 2026**

- Mon:** Rob and Debra Howard
- Tue:** Jim and Sherry Hyde and Erin
- Wed:** George Ingraham
- Thur:** Grenville Ingraham
- Fri:** Out of the Cold Shelter

*Please pray for these parishioners and ministry this week.*

**Saint John Mission to Seafarers Prayer Cycle**

In January, we pray for all seafarers at the start of the New Year, that they may look forward to a satisfying job ahead and in our prayers we remember their loved ones left behind.

**OUR PARISH PRAYER TREE**

A team of volunteers is available upon request, to pray for you or your loved one (with their permission) daily, for two weeks. These prayers will be treated with the strictest confidence. Prayer-requests should be short and to the point, and will be passed on verbatim. The Lord knows what we need best! A follow-up of thanks or an update encourages our intercessors in their ministry.

**To initiate the prayer-tree ministry please call your request to our “Captain”, Ngaire Nelson 672-8666**