

St. John the Evangelist Episcopal Church

316 N EL Dorado Street Stockton, CA 95202 March 2, 2025 – 10:30 am

MORNING PRAYER

THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Organ Prelude Simple Gifts (Shaker tune)

arr. Wilbur Held

(1914-2015)

OPENING HYMN Songs of thankfulness and praise Hymn 135

Salzburg

OPENING SENTENCE

PAGE 76, BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

CONFESSION OF SIN

PAGE 79, BCP

INVITATORY AND PSALTER

PAGE 80-83, BCP

Psalm 99

Dominus regnavit

1 The LORD is King;

let the people tremble; *

he is enthroned upon the cherubim;

let the earth shake.

2 The LORD is great in Zion; *

he is high above all peoples.

3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; *

he is the Holy One.

4 "O mighty King, lover of justice,

you have established equity; * you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."

5 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God

and fall down before his footstool; *

he is the Holy One.

6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,

and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, *

they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.

7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; *

they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.

8 O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; * you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.
9 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God and worship him upon his holy hill; * for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

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

THE LESSON:	\mathbf{S}
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THE OLD TESTAMENT, EXODUS 34:29-35

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

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

THE FIRST CANTICLE

FROM PAGE 85-95, BCP

The Canticle will be announced, please stand as you are able, then be seated for the reading.

THE NEW TESTAMENT, 2 CORINTHIANS 3:12-4:2

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

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

THE SECOND CANTICLE

FROM PAGE 85-95, BCP

The Canticle will be announced, please stand as you are able until after the Gospel.

GRADUAL HYMN

Alleluia! sing to Jesus

Hyfrydol

Hymn 460 – Omit stanzas *2 & *5

THE GOSPEL, LUKE 9:28-43A

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

HOMILY Rev. Stephen Bentley, Deacon

THE APOSTLES' CREED PAGE 96, BCP

THE PRAYERS PAGE 97, BCP

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

As announced, from pages 383-393, BCP

TODAY IN OUR DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER: St. James Cathedral in Fresno, and their Interim Dean, the Rev. Gail Bernthal and their deacon, the Rev. Nancy Key, and Rev. Nelson Serrano, the church planter of the Spanish speaking congregation.

THE PEACE

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

We greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements, Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

OFFERTORY HYMN Ye watchers and ye holy ones Hymn 618 Lasst uns erfreuen

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, who before the passion of your only begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

THE COLLECTS PAGE 98-100, BCP

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING PAGE 101, BCP

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom page 102, BCP

THE DISMISSAL PAGE 102, BCP

ORGAN POSTLUDE Tuba Tune Paul Fey

(b. 1998)

All are welcome at the Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall after the service.

St. John the Evangelist Episcopal Church is a community church in an urban setting. Some of our neighbors are unhoused individuals, and those experiencing mental health or addiction issues. On occasion, someone may enter the church during a service and cause a distraction. We consider this an opportunity to share God's love for all people. Everyone is welcome at St. John's, and we offer whatever assistance we can provide.

IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE

- **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**, THIS TUESDAY, March 4, 5:30 PM. Come and join in a traditional Shrove Tuesday supper of pancakes and sausages. All are welcome!
- **Ash Wednesday**, THIS WEDNESDAY, March 5 (The beginning of Lent). Liturgy of Ash Wednesday with imposition of ashes, 5:30 PM in the church. There will also be *Ashes to Go* offered on Janet Leigh Plaza (in front of the movie theatres) from 9 AM to 2 PM.
- Change Your Clocks! Next Sunday, March 9, don't forget to move your clocks ahead one hour. You don't want to miss church!
- Holy Eucharist, Next Sunday, March 9, with Rev. Kathy Galicia
- Upcoming Bishop's Committee Meetings, Sunday, March 9 and April 13
- Palm Sunday, April 13
- Easter Sunday, April 20

Visit our Tithe.ly site to make online donations to St. John's. Scan this code with your phone or tablet, or enter the following in your browser. https://bit.ly/3mswoLS

COMMEMORATIONS THIS WEEK

Monday, March 3: **John and Charles Wesley**, Priests (Church of England), 1791, 1788. Tuesday, March 4 (transferred): **Chad of Lichfield**, Bishop, 672.

Friday, March 7: **Perpetua and Felicity**, Martyrs, 202.

Dunstan's Favorite Church Words (so far this year)

- **Septuagesima Sunday** (approximately 70 days before Easter)
- **Sexagesima Sunday** (approximately 60 days before Easter)
- **Quinquagesima Sunday** (approximately 50 days before Easter, the Sunday before Ash Wednesday)

Following the above, we can add the word **Gesimatide**. (The pre-Lenten season of preparation for Lent and Easter.)

We might as well add the **Shrove** of **Shrove** tide and **Shrove Tuesday**...

- **Shrove** is the past tense of *Shrive*.
- **Shrive** means absolution following confession.
- **Shriven** is what you are after receiving absolution.

Oh, and lest we forget... **Carnival** or **Shrovetide** is a festive season that occurs at the close of the Christian pre-Lenten period, consisting of Quinquagesima or Shrove Sunday, Shrove Monday, and Shrove Tuesday or Mardi Gras.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Praying for the 855 dioceses and 42 provinces of the Anglican Communion September 1, 2023 to December 31, 2026.

Sunday 2 March 2025 or Sunday next before Lent or Quinquagesima or Last Sunday after the Epiphany

The Anglican Church of Burundi

Monday 3 March 2025

The Diocese of Maiwut - Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

Tuesday 4 March 2025

The Diocese of Makamba - The Anglican Church of Burundi

Wednesday 5 March 2025, Ash Wednesday

The Diocese of Makueni - The Anglican Church of Kenya

Thursday 6 March 2025

The Diocese of Makurdi - The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

Friday 7 March 2025

The Diocese of Malabar - The Church of South India (United)

Saturday 8 March 2025

The Diocese of Malaita - The Anglican Church of Melanesia

HELP SPREAD THE WORD! (IN MORE WAYS THAN ONE!)

Let your friends and neighbors know that they can watch our services live on YouTube, or view the recording afterwards. If you use any form of online media, post a note!

https://www.youtube.com/@StJohnsEpiscopalChurchStockton

For those who prefer Facebook, the video is listed there and will link users to YouTube.

https://www.facebook.com/stjohnstocktonca

The videos are also displayed on our Website.

https://www.stjohnsstockton.org/

WEEKLY MINISTRIES OF ST. JOHN'S

The HUB, (Helping Urban Bicyclists) Tuesday to Thursday, 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM.

The HUB sponsors the **Mercy Pedalers.** A ministry of presence based on the Works of Mercy and powered by people who pedal three-wheel bicycles through the streets of Stockton connecting with people who are experiencing homelessness, sharing with them hot coffee, socks, hats, gloves, and toiletries. See Deacon Steve for additional information on this ministry.

UPLIFT ALL FOUNDATION: PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

In the parking lot from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Mon-Fri, first come, first served, no charge.

- Loads of Hope Laundry Service
- Splash of Hope Showers & Restrooms
- Hope Connection Mobile Office
- Haircuts on Tuesday
- Hope Medical on Wednesday, ECM Provider HPSJ
- Prescription Pick-up, 2:30-5:00 on Wednesday
- San Joaquin County Services, Every 2nd Wednesday and 3rd Friday
- Food and Clothing
- Classes, Events and Festivals as announced

Charities where donations may be made for world relief:

Episcopal Relief and Development The United Nations Refugee Agency The United Nations Children's Fund World Central Kitchen https://www.episcopalrelief.org/ https://www.unhcr.org/ https://www.unicef.org/ https://wck.org/

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Stockton's historic Episcopal Church, founded in 1850 on land donated by Captain Weber, the founder of Stockton.

Part of the Episcopal Diocese of San Joaquin

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The HUB

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