

Sunday, January 4, 2009—The Epiphany of The Lord  
8am Holy Eucharist (BAS) 11am Festal Eucharist (BCP)  
Isaiah 60.1–6 Psalm 72.1–7, 10–14  
Ephesians 3.1–12 Matthew 2.1–12

### Parish Notices

Today is our monthly Potluck lunch. Please join us after the service for good food and good company.

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## WELCOME! A NOTE TO VISITORS

If you are visiting this Sunday, a very warm greeting to you!

We are delighted to welcome you and trust you will feel very much at home in this beautiful place. A large part of the ministry of St. George's is to be a place of warm hospitality and worship for many visitors to this National Park from all over the world.

It has been the practice of St. George's for some time to alternate the two Anglican rites, the Book of Common Prayer and the Book of Alternative Services, so that there is a celebration using each rite each Sunday.

One of the challenges we face is ministering to the very many young seasonal employees in the park, many of who are away from home for the first time. We have begun this by supporting and connecting with the Living Room, a programme of the Banff Service Industry Network reaching out to 18–30 year old workers in our service industry.

And we are following a dream to build a programme of Wilderness Spirituality, helping residents and visitors deepen their relationship with God in the context of the incredible beauty which surrounds us, and exploring the theological implications human care for the environment.

We invite you to check out our website: [www.stgeorgesinthepines.org](http://www.stgeorgesinthepines.org). We are a small congregation and struggle to provide the resource to keep our ministry vital and the church building cared for. You may feel called to share in this support. There are visitors' envelopes on the back table, and your gift will be responsibly used and much appreciated. If you wish to help in a larger and more visionary way, please speak to the rector or wardens.

May God bless you in your visit to Banff and your return home.

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# The Church of St. George

Diocese of Calgary • Anglican Church of Canada

## THE SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

December 28, 2008 • Festal Eucharist at 11:00am

**Prelude** Improvisations *Gerre Hancock*

### THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

**Opening Hymn** *ALL STAND* *Common Praise 121*

*Celebrant* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Almighty God,  
*All* to you all hearts are open, all desires known,  
and from you no secrets are hidden.  
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.

**Glory to God** *ALL SING* *Common Praise 686*

**Trisagion** *SAID THREE TIMES*

*All* Holy God, holy and mighty, holy immortal one,  
have mercy upon us.

**The Collect of the Day** *ALL REMAIN STANDING*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have shed upon us the new light  
of your incarnate Word. May this light,  
enkindled in our hearts, shine forth in our lives;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

*All* Amen.

### THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

**The First Reading** *PLEASE BE SEATED* *Isaiah 61.10–62.3*

*AFTER THE READING,*

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

*All* Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 148***BAS p. 907***The Second Reading***Galatians 4.4–7**AFTER THE READING,**Reader* The word of the Lord.*All* Thanks be to God.**Gradual Hymn** *ALL STAND**Common Praise 148***The Holy Gospel***Luke 2.22–40**Gospeller* The Lord be with you.*People* And also with you.*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to ...*People* Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*AFTER THE GOSPEL,**Gospeller* The Gospel of Christ.*People* Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**Homily** *PLEASE BE SEATED**The Rector***The Apostles' Creed** *ALL STAND**Celebrant* Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,*All* 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.

**The Prayers of the People** *PLEASE KNEEL OR BE SEATED**Bidding* O come:*Response* let us adore him.**Confession and Absolution***Celebrant* Dear friends in Christ,

God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;

he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table.

Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*PLEASE KNEEL OR BE SEATED**Celebrant* Most merciful God,*All* 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 neighbours 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.

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy upon you,

pardon and deliver you from all your sins,

confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,

and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* Amen.**The Peace** *ALL STAND**Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.*All* And also with you.**THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST****The Offertory***Common Praise 266***Prayer over the Gifts***Celebrant* God of light,

in the birth of your Son we see your glory.

May we who share in this mystery grow daily in your love.

This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

*All* Amen.**The Great Thanksgiving****Holy, Holy, Holy***by Jim Strathdee**All* Holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might,

heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord,

blessèd is he who comes, comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

*PLEASE KNEEL OR BE SEATED***The Lord's Prayer***Celebrant* As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,*All* Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**The Breaking of the Bread***BAS p. 213***The Invitation***BAS p. 213***Communion Hymn***Common Praise 141**IN THE ANGLICAN TRADITION, ALL WHO ARE  
BAPTIZED, IN WHATEVER CHURCH, ARE WELCOME  
TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT.***Prayer after Communion** *PLEASE KNEEL OR BE SEATED**Celebrant* Let us pray.

Source of truth and joy,

may we who have received the gift of divine life

always follow the way of your Son.

This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

*All* Amen.**The Doxology***Celebrant* Glory to God,*All* whose power, working in us,

can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.

Glory to God from generation to generation,

in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Blessing***Celebrant* May the God of infinite goodness

scatter the darkness of sin

and brighten your hearts with holiness;

and the blessing of God almighty,

the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

be among you and remain with you always.

*All* Amen.**Closing Hymn** *ALL STAND**Common Praise 154***Dismissal***Celebrant* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.*All* Thanks be to God.**Voluntary** In Dulci Jubilo BWV 729*Johann Sebastian Bach*