

**Epiphany 1**  
**January 9, 2022**

<b>Opening Hymn</b>	<b>We three kings of orient are</b>	<b>128</b>
<b>Closing Hymn</b>	<b>What star is this</b>	<b>124</b>

**Collect**

Lord of the desert river, you search our depths and call us by name: may your flame-borne Spirit open the heavens that we might recognize you in the one born of earth, Jesus Christ, the Gift of Peace. **Amen.**

**First Lesson Isaiah 43:1-7**

Thus says the LORD, he who  
created you, O Jacob,

he who formed you, O Israel:

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have  
called you by name, you are mine.

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and  
through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;

when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,  
and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the  
LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your  
Savior.

I give Egypt as your ransom,

Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

Because you are precious in my sight, and  
honored, and I love you, I give people in  
return for you, nations in exchange for  
your life.

Do not fear, for I am with you;

I will bring your offspring from the east,  
and from the west I will gather you; I will  
say to the north, "Give them up," and to the  
south, "Do not withhold;

bring my sons from far away and my daughters  
from the end of the earth--

everyone who is called by my name,  
whom I created for my glory, whom  
I formed and made."

## **Psalm 29**

- 1 Ascribe to God, you heavenly beings, \*  
ascribe to God glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe due honor to God's holy Name; \*  
worship the Most High in the beauty of  
holiness.
- 3 The voice of God is upon the waters; the  
God of glory thunders; \*  
God is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of God is a powerful voice; \*  
the voice of God is a voice of splendor.
- 5 The voice of God breaks the cedar trees; \*  
God breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 God makes Lebanon skip like a calf \*  
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of God splits the flames of fire;  
the voice of God shakes the wilderness; \*  
God shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of God makes the oak trees writhe \*  
and strips the forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the Holy One, \*  
all are crying, "Glory!"

- 10 God sits enthroned above the flood, \*  
enthroned as Sovereign for evermore.
- 11 God shall give strength to the people; \*  
God shall give the people the blessing of  
peace.

## **Second Lesson     Acts 8:14-17**

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

## **The Gospel     Luke 3:15-17, 21-22**

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

**For this week's prayers.....**

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer**, we pray for the Iglesia Anglicana de Chile. **In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**, we pray for the newly baptized, and all who share in the Baptism of our Lord. **In our Parish**, we give thanks for the following birthdays: Gabriel & Michael Thomas, Hannah Juliette Fratus, Marge Hunt, Carol Miro and Sophie Michelle Smith.

**Special envelopes/offerings for maintenance & repairs are very welcome in January.**





