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January 17, 2021 – Second Sunday after the Epiphany– via Zoom Liturgy of the Word, Rite II, 10:00 a.m.

Getting to the Service Using Zoom

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MUTING/UNMUTING PROCEDURES

To address a number of issues, Zoom has made numerous updates in their software over the past couple of months to address security related issues. One prevents us from centrally unmuting an individual or everyone.

In the past we centrally muted everyone then selectively unmuted when the priest or the leader of the prayers was speaking or Judith was playing. We would then unmute all for the response. As noted above we can no longer centrally unmute. We are now asking <u>everyone to unmute themselves at the appropriate times</u>.

You will see that at several places where there is a short prayer or reading by the priest, we previously had muted everyone; this week we will <u>not mute</u> everyone in those instances. We will mute everyone for the Epistle and Gospel readings and the sermon, but the reader may have to unmute themself. Each of you will need to unmute yourself at the appropriate time as is noted below. Please be very aware of any sounds in your area and mute yourself to not disturb the rest of the congregation.

How to Unmute or Mute your connection – If you are using the Zoom app, you will see one of these two icons at the bottom left of your screen. When the top one shows you are unmuted, if click on it, it will change to the bottom one indicating you are muted.



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

GREETING — The Rev. Dr. Laurence "Larry" Packard

OPENING HYMN 119: "As with gladness men of old" (vs. 1,4,5)

(There will be one time through with just the music then we will each sing) (Centrally Mute All – Judith unmutes herself)

 As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold; as with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beaming bright; so, most gracious Lord, may we evermore be led to thee. 	 4. Holy Jesus! every day keep us in the narrow way; and, when earthly things are past, bring our ransomed souls at last where they need no star to guide, 	5. In the heavenly country bright, need they no created light; thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down: there for ever may we sing alleluias to our King.
		allelulas to our king.
	where no clouds thy glory hide.	
Hymn used in this format to save space.		Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898)

Music: Dix, melody Conrad Kocher (1786-1872); arr. William Henry Monk (1823-1889); harm. The English Hymnal, 1906

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (each person unmutes themself)People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. AMEN.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Priest and people say (we will pause at the end of each phrase until all are ready for the next phrase)

Almighty God, (p - pause)to you all hearts are open, (p)all desires known, (p)and from you no secrets are hid: (p)Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts (p)by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, (p)that we may perfectly love you, (p)and worthily magnify your holy Name; (p)through Christ our Lord. (p)AMEN.

THE GLORIA

Sung by all (Centrally Mute All – Judith unmutes herself)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. AMEN.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

PriestThe Lord be with you.(each person unmutes themself)PeopleAnd also with you.PriestLet us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever.

People AMEN.

THE LESSONS

First Lesson: 1 Samuel 3:1-10 (Centrally Mute All – reader unmutes themself)

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening." So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

Reader The Word of the Lord. *(each person unmutes themself)* People *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17 (Book of Common Prayer, p. 794)

(We will say the Psalm responsively by whole verse with a pause until all are ready for the next phrase at each (p))

1 Lord, you have searched me out and known me; * you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places * (p) and are acquainted with all my ways.

3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, * but you, O Lord, know it altogether.

4 You press upon me behind and before * (p) and lay your hand upon me.

5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; * it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; * (p) you knit me together in my mother's womb.

13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made; * your works are wonderful, and I know it well.

14 My body was not hidden from you, * (p) while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.

15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your book; * they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them.

16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! * (p) how great is the sum of them!

17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; * to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

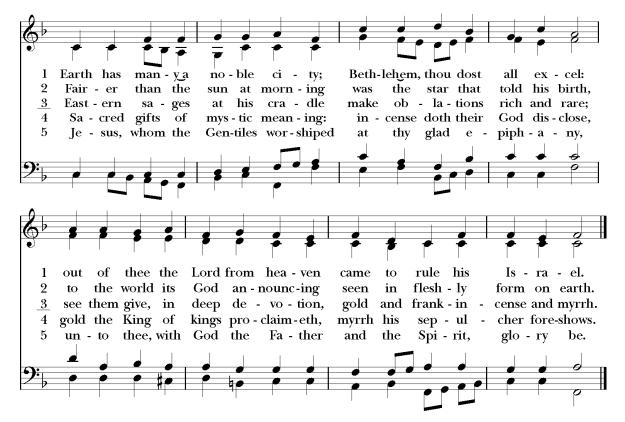
Second Lesson: a reading from 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 (Centrally Mute All – reader unmutes themself)

"All things are lawful for me," but not all things are beneficial. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food," and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, "The two shall be one flesh." But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

Reader The Word of the Lord. (each person unmutes themself) People Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL HYMN 127: "Earth has many a noble city"

(There will be one time through with just the music then we will each sing) (Centrally Mute All – Judith unmutes herself)



Words: Marcus Aurelius Clemens Prudentius (348-410?); tr. Hymns Ancient and Modern, 1861, alt. Music: Stuttgart, melody from Psalmodia Sacra, oder Andächtige und Schöne Gesänge, 1715; adapt. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870); harm. K. D. Smith (b. 1928) Copyright © by permission of K.D. Smith. All rights reserved. Used with permission.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 1:43-51

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. *(each person unmutes themself) People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

(Centrally Mute All)

Larry/Narrator: Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him,

Jesus: "Follow me."

Larry/Narrator: Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him,

Philip: "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth."

Larry/Narrator: Nathaniel said to Philip,

Nathaniel: "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?"

Philip: "Come and see."

Larry/Narrator: When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, Jesus said of Nathanael,

Jesus: "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!"

Larry/Narrator: Nathanael asked Jesus,

Nathanael: "Where did you get to know me?"

Jesus: "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you."

Nathanael: "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!"

Jesus: "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these. Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

PriestThe Gospel of the Lord. (each person unmutes themself)PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON The Rev. Dr. Laurence K. Packard

d (Centrally Mute All – the Priest unmutes himself)

THE NICENE CREED (each person unmutes themself)

We believe in one God, (p) the Father, the Almighty, (p) maker of heaven and earth, (p) of all that is, seen and unseen. (p) We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, (p) the only Son of God, (p) eternally begotten of the Father, (p) God from God, Light from Light, (p) true God from true God, (p) begotten, not made, (p) of one Being with the Father (p) Through him all things were made. (p) For us and for our salvation (p) he came down from heaven: (p) by the power of the Holy Spirit (p) he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, (p) and was made man. (p) For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; (p) he suffered death and was buried. (p)

On the third day he rose again (p) in accordance with the Scriptures; (p) he ascended into heaven (p) and is seated at the right hand of the Father. (p) He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, (p) and his kingdom will have no end. (p) We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, (p) who proceeds from the Father and the Son. (p) With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. (p) He has spoken through the Prophets. (p) We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. (p) We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. (p) We look for the resurrection of the dead, (p) and the life of the world to come. (p) AMEN.

ST. JOHN'S COLLECT

The Priest and people say (we will pause at the end of each phrase until all are ready for the next phrase)

Gracious God, (p) Send your Spirit upon us (p) during this interim period, (p) and bless our ministries (p) for the building up of our parish (p) and the mission of your Church. (p) Grant us all things necessary for our common life, (p) And help us to reach out our hands in love of others (p) Even as your Son Jesus (p) reached out his arms on the cross. (p) In his name, we pray. AMEN.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM VI, WITH CONFESSION

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work; For our families, friends, and neighbors, and those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world; For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble. For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God. For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For our Presiding Bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers; *For all who serve God in his Church.*

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

Say: Please offer your prayers for healing, special concerns, and safe travel.

Hear us, Lord; For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

Say: Please offer your prayers for thanksgivings, birthdays, and anniversaries.

We will exalt you, O God our King; And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Say: Please offer your prayers for anyone who has died, saying "Today we remember especially......."

Silence

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; *Who put their trust in you.*

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; (p) in your compassion forgive us our sins, (p) known and unknown, (p) things done and left undone; (p) and so uphold us by your Spirit (p) that we may live and serve you in newness of life, (p) to the honor and glory of your Name; (p) through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

THE ABSOLUTION

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,

strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People AMEN.

THE PEACE

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you. *People* And also with you.

Then the people greet one another in the name of the Lord. (We will call out each person's name and they will offer us all a greeting.)

THE OFFERTORY: REMEMBER THE WORDS OF THE LORD JESUS AND HOW HE SAID IT IS MORE BLESSED TO GIVE THAN TO RECEIVE.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Lift Every Voice and Sing" A Special Media Presentation

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Priest says

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Priest and People

Our Father, who art in heaven, (p) hallowed be thy Name, (p) thy kingdom come, (p) thy will be done, (p) on earth as it is in heaven. (p) Give us this day our daily bread. (p) And forgive us our trespasses, (p) as we forgive those (p) who trespass against us. (p) And lead us not into temptation, (p) but deliver us from evil. (p) For thine is the kingdom, (p) and the power, and the glory, (p) for ever and ever. (p) AMEN.

A PRAYER OF GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Priest and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, (p) we humbly thank you for your goodness to us (p) and to all that you have made. (p) We praise you for your creation, (p) for keeping us and all things in your care, (p) and for all the blessings of life. (p) Above all we bless you for your immeasurable love (p) in redeeming the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, (p) for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. (p) In this season of Epiphany, (p) open our eyes to see the light of your mercies (p) that with thankful hearts we praise you, (p) not only with our lips but in our lives, (p) by giving ourselves to your service (p) and by living out your gifts of holiness and righteousness (p) as we let our lights shine in the world (p) through Jesus Christ our Lord. (p) AMEN.

THE BLESSING

O God who at the Baptism of Jesus Christ called all people in their Baptism to ministry and mission, Grant that we might follow in his footsteps to shine the light of the Gospel into all the world. And may the blessing of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you and those you love this day and forever more.

People AMEN.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 490: "I want to walk as a child of the light"

(There will be one time through with just the music then we will each sing) (Centrally Mute All – Judith unmutes herself)

 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus. REFRAIN. 	 I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus. Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father. REFRAIN.
REFRAIN: In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.	 I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I want to be with Jesus. When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus. REFRAIN.

Hymn used in this format to save space.

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THE DISMISSAL

PriestGo in peace to love and serve the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE (Centrally Mute All – Judith unmutes herself)

At the end of the postlude, each person unmutes themselves so we can join in today's virtual reception.

Participants in today's service

Officiant: The Rev. Dr. Laurence K. (Larry) Packard **Readers:** Lynn Robinson **Prayers of the People:** Barbara Olivere

Announcements

Please note the **<u>CURRENT</u> ZOOM link and Meeting ID** for this service on the front page!

Pastoral Care during the Interim Period. The Rev. Dr. Laurence K. ("Larry") Packard is available for pastoral care abiding by the Diocesan health and safety guidelines. He may be reached at: <u>minister@stjohnsarlingtonva.org</u> or 703-425-8315 or 703-606-3109.

The church building and office are still closed. *Please refrain from going there.* Virginia checks the office phone messages and the mail. If you have any administrative questions, you can reach her at <u>office@stjohnsarlingtonva.org</u> (preferred) or leave a message on the church phone, 703-671-6834.

Our Senior Warden, Cassandra (Sandy) Winger, is the individual charged with leadership until St. John's appoints a successor to Ann. She can be contacted at <u>srwarden@stjohnsarlingtonva.org</u> or on her cell phone at 703-498-6990.

Would you like to receive Holy Communion?

If you would like to receive the Holy Communion, please contact The Rev. Larry Packard, and he will arrange for you to receive it in the safety of strict health protocols and at your most convenient time and place. Contact him at <u>minister@stjohnsarlingtonva.org</u> or on his cell phone 703-606-3109 (no voice mail).

We will be having another night of Bingo next Saturday, January 16, at 7 pm. If you would like to play, just contact Sandy Winger by 6 pm on Friday, January 15 at 703-498-6990. She will provide you with the link, and playing board(s), if needed.

Next Sunday, January 17, we will celebrate the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr. at our weekly service.

On Tuesday, January 19 at 5:30 pm, we will join churches across the nation by *ringing our bell in remembrance of the many people we have lost due to COVID-19*.

Please pray for a peaceful Inauguration Day next Wednesday, January 20.

St. John's Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, **January 31** following the 10 am service, close to **11:05 am**. This will follow the same type of format used at our Town Hall Meeting of December 20.

Looking ahead to Ash Wednesday, February 17, we will have our service at 7 pm via Zoom. Pre-packaged ashes will be mailed to you. Please let Virginia know if you would like ashes mailed to you by February 3rd. You will be instructed during the service on their use. Remember, the use of ashes is optional (BCP, p. 265).

Our Coat Drive continues. You can put your gently used and clean coats for all family members, as well as gloves, hats, and thermal socks in the box on the Pritchard's front porch, 5713 Fifth St S., a half-block down from St. John's.

If you have no gently used coats, hats, and gloves to donate and would still like to contribute, please consider using Carlin Springs Amazon Wish List at <u>https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2KZ52LRLFYSFM?ref</u>.

St. John's position on racism can be found on the home page of our website, <u>www.stjohnsarlingtonva.org</u>.

A note from Sandy Winger, Sr. Warden/Arlington Thrive board member: St. John's contributes to Arlington Thrive. If you are coming up short on expenses, you can contact Thrive for assistance at <u>https://arlingtonthrive.org/</u>.

Are you in need of a Notary Public? Sandy Winger is a notary and she is offering her services to parishioners. Feel free to contact her at 703-498-6990 or <u>srwarden@stjohnsarlingtonva.org</u>.

School Supplies Collection

We <u>continue to collect</u> school supplies for our neighborhood elementary schools. A collection bin has been set up on the Pritchard's front porch, 5713 Fifth Street South, just a half-block down from the church. Faye will deliver the supplies to the school and the school will bundle the supplies into packets to be sent home to the students.

As an aid to choosing what supplies to buy, an updated list for Carlin Springs has been posted on St. John's website, <u>www.stjohnsarlingtonva.org</u>, as well as last year's list from Campbell.

Prayers and Cards

Prayers for Sunday Services. We are inviting you to send the names or intentions which you would like included by the person leading the prayers, as we had been doing via the book at the rear of the church. Email your request to prayers@stjohnsarlingtonva.org no later than Friday so Barbara Olivere can be sure to get the information to the person leading the prayers. Please note in your email that this is a "Service Prayer" request.

Cards. We have been sending birthday and anniversary cards to members, when we are aware of it, cards to those who are sick, and periodic "thinking of you" messages. Please let us know if your think someone needs a card. Email requests to <u>prayers@stjohnsarlingtonva.org</u> and note in your email that this is an "Card" request.

St. John's Intercessory Prayer group is a ministry which will include prayers for anyone who needs it. If you have a need for prayer for yourself or for a loved one, please let us know.) If you are interested in participating in this ministry, let us know.) Email to <u>prayers@stjohnsarlingtonva.org</u> and note in your email that this is an "intercessory" request not for Sunday service prayers.

Barbara Olivere is the coordinator for these three items and if you would rather call you can reach her at 571-228-1399. The <u>prayers@stjohnsarlingtonva.org</u> emails go to Barbara and Virginia Pearson.

AFAC still needs our help. They are looking for non-perishable food, such as low-sugar cereals, tuna, cooking oil, dried spaghetti (not canned), and condiments (salsa, ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise, and salt & pepper). Seasonings such as brown and cane sugar, poultry seasoning, sage, ginger, vanilla extract, canned milk, and any other spices are always welcome. If you can, please bring items to the church now and drop off in the big box in front of the church door (Lexington St. side). The need is great as we have so many more people who are hungry. You can also donate money to AFAC by sending a check to AFAC, 2708 S. Nelson St., Arlington, VA 22206. Or you can give online at their website <u>www.afac.org</u>.