



**ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I
January 18, 2026**

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that thy people, illumined by thy Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A READING FROM ISAIAH 42:1-9

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. 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. And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." But I said, "I have labored 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."

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 honored in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength— 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."

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."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 40:1-12 *Responsively by whole verse*

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1 I waited patiently upon the Lord;
 he stooped to me and heard my cry.

2 **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.

3 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.

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

5 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.

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

**7 In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure
(you have given me ears to hear you);**

**8 Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required,
and so I said, "Behold, I come.**

**9 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."**

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

**11 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.**

A READING FROM CORINTHIANS 1:1-9

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,
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:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for
in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of
Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the
revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the
day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ
our Lord.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Clergy: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.
People: **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. 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.’ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. 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?” 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. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). 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).

Clergy: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

¹ **The Gospel** - We stand to indicate the importance placed on Jesus’s words and actions. The Gospel book comes into the midst of the people and all turn toward the reader.

OUR CLERGY, STAFF & VESTRY

Rector: The Rev. Katie Leuba

Associate Priest: The Rev. Dr. Andrew Benko

Assisting Deacon: The Rev. Bill Holder

Assisting Priest: The Rev. Jerry Chapman

Assisting Priest: The Rev. Seth Deleery

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Children & Families Musician: Mary Smith

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Wardens: Jenny Watson & Doug Webster

Vestry of the Month: Bob Ascott & Pat Naeve

Contact information can be found on our website, www.stmattsauustin.org, or by calling the church office.

UPCOMING EVENTS - See the Weekly Word for more details on these, and other parish events!

- Sunday, January 18th, 9am-10am, Parish Annual Meeting; Sanctuary
- Friday, January 30th, 4:30-6:30pm, Deborah Brown's Ordination Live-Stream Watch Party; Youth Center
- February 7th, All-day event, Women's Retreat
- February 18th, Ash Wednesday; Services at 7:00am, 9:00am (Day School) 12:00pm and 7:00pm with Parish Choir

Considering becoming an Episcopalian? Or curious to learn more about the Episcopal Church?

Contact Fr. Andrew Benko if you would like to know more, at: (318) 415-8131, or abenko@stmattsauustin.org

OFFICE HOURS

Church office hours are M - F, 9:00am - 4:00pm. Appointments to meet with clergy and staff are recommended. Contact office@stmattsauustin.org or (512) 345-8314 to set an appointment with clergy, and for staff, contact the staff member directly. Your clergy typically take Friday as their sabbath. During office hours, the receptionist can assist you in an emergency: (512) 345-8314. For after-hours pastoral emergencies, call or text the Rev. Katie Leuba directly: (440) 985-8982.

REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday: 8:00am, Traditional Holy Eucharist (Rite I), Sanctuary
10:30am, Holy Eucharist with Music (Rite II), Sanctuary

Wednesday: 12:00pm, A Service of Public Healing with Holy Communion, Sanctuary

Every Evening: 6:00pm, Evening Prayer, Zoom (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88579583087>)



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