



**First Sunday after the Epiphany:
The Baptism of Our Lord
8:00 a.m., January 12, 2025**



The Rt. Rev. Deon Johnson, *Bishop*

The Rev. Dr. Paul Jacobson, *Rector*

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Welcome! We are blessed by your presence with us this morning and hope that you will find strength, comfort and fulfillment through our worship. Children are welcome to stay through the service. We welcome all seekers of God to Holy Communion and look forward to meeting you following the service.

**Trinity Episcopal Church
600 North Euclid, St. Louis MO 63108
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8:00 A.M. THE HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I

THE WORD OF GOD

The people standing, the Celebrant may say

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.***

The Celebrant says

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Here is sung or said

Lord, have mercy upon us,
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

***Glory be to God on high,
and on earth peace, good will towards men.***

***We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee,
we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.***

***O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.***

*Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.*

*For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan didst proclaim him thy beloved Son and anoint him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

First Reading

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."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People ***Thanks be to God.***

Psalm 29

- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, *
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the Lord the glory due the divine name; *
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders; *
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; *
the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendour.
- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; *
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon,

- 6 and makes Lebanon skip like a calf, *
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the Lord *
splits the flames of fire;
- 8 the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; *
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 9 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe *
and strips the forests bare.
And in the temple of the Lord *
all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; *
the Lord sits enthroned as sovereign for evermore.
- 11 The Lord shall give strength to this people; *
the Lord shall give this people the blessing of peace.

Second Reading

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.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

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."

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

People ***Praise be to thee, O Christ.***

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Paul Jacobson

The Baptismal Covenant

Let us renew our commitment to Christ. *Silence is kept for a time.*

Do you believe in God the Father?

***I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.***

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

***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.***

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

I will, with God's help.

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

I will, with God's help.

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

I will, with God's help.

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

I will, with God's help.

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

I will, with God's help.

May Christ dwell in your hearts through faith, that you may be rooted and grounded in love and bring forth the fruit of the Holy Spirit. ***Amen.***

Prayers of the People

The Deacon or other person appointed says:

God's glory has been veiled in flesh. Our flesh has become a glorious epiphany. Let us then present before the Lord of glory our gift of prayer for those who are in need, saying: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For all who walk in the darkness of violence and oppression, and for all who, by their life and preaching, cause the light of God's justice and peace to shine in the midst of that darkness. Let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For all who carry on the teaching of prophets and apostles, and for the full communion in life and worship of those who receive God's word. We pray for our Presiding Bishop Sean, our Bishop Dion, and the work and witness of our diocese, especially for our Companion Community of Trinity, St. James, their parishioners and clergy. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who have at their disposal this world's riches, and for all who call out to them. We give thanks for all those who give of their time and resources to the Trinity Food Ministry. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who raise their eyes to the heavens looking for healing and deliverance, especially for Helen, Glenda, Thomas, Anne, Nan, Gloria, Al, Dolores, John,

Steven, Julien, Joan, Kevin, David, Betsey, Pat, Ray, Denver, Gwen, Charlene, Bruce, and for those we now name _____. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the rulers of the earth, and for every child that stands in need of their protection. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who have passed through death into the full epiphany of God's glory, especially Anne Hudson, including those we now name _____. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant adds a closing prayer

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People ***And with thy spirit.***

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Announcements

We would love to connect with you. Text **welcome** to **314 462 2069** and someone from the leadership team will provide you with more information about Trinity.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

As the usher brings the community's offerings to the altar, everyone stands. The Celebrant continues:

All things come of Thee, O Lord.

People: And of thine own, have we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer II

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

The Lord be with you.
People ***And with thy spirit.***
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People ***We lift them up unto the Lord.***
Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People ***It is meet and right so to do.***

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, thou hast caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of thy glory in the face of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Celebrant and People

***Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.***

Here may be added

***Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.***

The people kneel or stand.

Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

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

People and Celebrant

***Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,***

*on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.*

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Then may be sung or said

[Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]

In Lent, Alleluia is omitted, and may be omitted at other times except during Easter Season.

The following or some other suitable anthem may be sung or said here

***O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.***

***O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.***

***O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.***

Facing the people, the Celebrant may say the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

and may add Take them in remembrance that Christ died for
you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith,
with thanksgiving.

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the
people.*

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Drink this in remembrance that Christ's Blood was shed for thee, and be thankful.

or with these words

The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. [**Amen.**]

or with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [**Amen.**]
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [**Amen.**]

During the ministration of Communion, hymns, psalms, or anthems may be sung.

When necessary, the Celebrant consecrates additional bread and wine, using the form on page 408.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People may join in saying this prayer

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, gives the blessing

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

or this

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, may dismiss the people with these words

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

or the following

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

or this

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God.**

or this

Deacon Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

From the Easter Vigil through the Day of Pentecost “Alleluia, alleluia” may be added to any of the dismissals.

The People respond **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Sunday Service Schedule

8:00 AM Rite I – Spoken Eucharist

10:30 AM Rite II with music

Weekday Service Schedule

7:00 AM on Thursdays

Parish Office Hours

Sunday 7 AM-1 PM, Wednesday & Thursday 8 AM-4 PM, Friday 8 AM-Noon

Trinity Food Ministry Schedule		
<i>Food Pantry & takeout hot meal</i>	<i>Cafe - drop in for a meal & conversation</i>	<i>Sunday Hot Lunch</i>
Tues: 1:30pm - 3pm Thurs: 4pm - 5pm	Wed: Noon - 2pm	Sunday: 2pm - 2:30pm

Served in December

501 Households

210 Families

330 Weekly Hot Lunches

400 Sunday Hot Lunches



The Annual Meeting for Trinity Episcopal Church will take place on Sunday, January 26. The purpose of this annual gathering is (1) to review the year past, including receiving

reports from our many ministries, (2) to elect members of the Vestry and Delegates to Diocesan Convention, (3) to receive the Budget for 2025 and, of course (4-5) to socialize and eat. The precise timing of that day is still being discussed, and will be announced on Sunday.

Dear Ones,

Happy Epiphany!



From Father Paul

As Deacon Harry reminded us so beautifully on Sunday, celebrating the arrival of the Magi at the manger in Bethlehem calls us to embrace wonder, mystery, and joy. Until now, the story of the coming Messiah had been confined to Israel, the covenant people. But suddenly, wondrously, here are Gentiles who have intuited that Jesus' birth is good news for them too. Tradition shows the Magi representing different races, cultures, and languages, because this is an epiphany, a revelation, to the whole world. In the West, we celebrate three Magi, but Matthew never tells us that, only that there were three gifts. In some parts of the East, there are as many as twelve. Just imagine how long that hymn would be!

Sunday brought another reminder of this time of year – difficult weather. I ventured out on Monday to survey the beautiful snow, only to take a fall. I'm a bit bruised and stiff (both body and pride), but it made me think again about what it must have been like for those who were among the first visitors to the Child Jesus.

On Christmas Day in 1622, Lancelot Andrewes, the Bishop of Winchester, preached a sermon at the court of James I. He took as his text Matthew 2:1-2, the story of the Magi following the Star. In the middle of the sermon, Andrewes

invites the listener to imagine the implications of “we have seen his star in the East and have come to worship him.” He wrote:

A cold coming we had of it.
Just the worst time of the year
For a journey, and such a long journey:
The ways deep and the weather sharp,
The very dead of winter.

305 years later, in 1927, St. Louis’ own T. S. Eliot (1888-1965) published *Journey of the Magi*, immortalizing Andrewes’ words.

‘A cold coming we had of it,
Just the worst time of the year
For a journey, and such a long journey:
The ways deep and the weather sharp,
The very dead of winter.’
And the camels galled, sore-footed, refractory,
Lying down in the melting snow.
There were times we regretted
The summer palaces on slopes, the terraces,
And the silken girls bringing sherbet.
Then the camel men cursing and grumbling
And running away, and wanting their liquor and women,
And the night-fires going out, and the lack of shelters,
And the cities hostile and the towns unfriendly
And the villages dirty and charging high prices:
A hard time we had of it.
At the end we preferred to travel all night,
Sleeping in snatches,
With the voices singing in our ears, saying
That this was all folly.

Then at dawn we came down to a temperate valley,
Wet, below the snow line, smelling of vegetation;
With a running stream and a water-mill beating the darkness,
And three trees on the low sky,
And an old white horse galloped away in the meadow.
Then we came to a tavern with vine-leaves over the lintel,
Six hands at an open door dicing for pieces of silver,
And feet kicking the empty wine-skins,

But there was no information, and so we continued
And arrived at evening, not a moment too soon
Finding the place; it was (you may say) satisfactory.

All this was a long time ago, I remember,
And I would do it again, but set down
This set down
This: were we led all that way for
Birth or Death? There was a Birth, certainly,
We had evidence and no doubt. I had seen birth and death,
But had thought they were different; this Birth was
Hard and bitter agony for us, like Death, our death.


We returned to our places, these Kingdoms,
But no longer at ease here, in the old dispensation,
With an alien people clutching their gods.
I should be glad of another death.

This poem is in the public domain. Published in Poem-a-Day on December 24, 2023, by the Academy of American Poets.

May you discover many wonders in this Epiphanytide,

In-Person LGBTQIA+ and Allies Gathering - Saturday, January 18, 2025
2:00 - 5:00 PM @ St. Timothy's, Creve Coeur

Members of the LGBTQIA+ communities and allies will be meeting in person to connect, share and discuss the future of this ministry. Light refreshments will be served. Contact DeWanye Trainer for details, lgbtqiaministry@diocesemo.org (mailto:lgbtqiaministry@diocesemo.org)



Pledge Drive Update

Stewardship and Generosity Pledge Update

We have received 64 pledges totaling \$306,850. Our goal is 74 pledges. The Stewardship team wants to thank everyone for returning their pledge cards. It is your time, talent, and treasures that makes our parish a welcoming community to our neighbors.

If you have not pledged yet, we hope you will do so. Pledge cards can be found at the back of the church, or you can make a pledge using the button below.

- Stewardship and Generosity Committee

2025 Online Pledge Card (<https://www.trinitycwe.org/stewardship>)



Trinity Book Group meets on January 18th, the usual third Saturday of the month, when we will gather in Trinity's North Parish Hall at 6:30 pm for our

potluck meal and then at 7 pm to discuss James Mc Bride's book, "The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store," winner of the National Book Award.

Wow, this new year began with a bang – literally, in my neighborhood of South St. Louis. Gunfire erupted at midnight on January 1. Then our internet was out for 4 days due to fiber-optic damage. Coincidence?



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Then the snow/ice began. Thankfully, it was sleet rather than freezing rain so no more damage, only extreme inconvenience. Still, we did something we rarely do/have done, not even in COVID. Sunday Hot Lunch was cancelled for the safety of all involved. It remained closed on Tuesday also.

Thankfully, churches and other organizations stepped up to find the room and the volunteers that they did not think they had and opened up quite a few emergency shelters for this week. They have saved countless lives. I hope that someone is keeping count of each shelter and the number of people who are sheltered there. Maybe we could get a real number of just how many folks in the St. Louis City area are actually homeless.

Speaking of counting people, every year HUD requires that all CoCs conduct an annual count of people (Point-in-Time Count) experiencing homelessness on a single night. That count is normally conducted in January at emergency shelters, transitional housing, and Safe havens. The problems with this plan are that emergency shelters are only available if the temperature is 25 degrees or below and it rarely includes families living in their vehicles or people who do not do well in shelters due to anxiety or other mental health concerns.



This year, the PIT will be conducted at numerous sites across town between January 23 through January 28. Trinity Episcopal Church/Trinity Food Ministry will be one of those host sites on January 24 beginning at noon.

If you would like to volunteer to help the administer this count at Trinity on that day, check out the attached flyer.

This is a very important opportunity. In the past, people who are unhoused have been woefully undercounted. An undercount means there are less dollars in Federal money to help overcome this overwhelming problem for too many residents of our city. You can be part of this. Please let me know if you are interested.

Love always; always Love.
Deacon Barbi

Jubilee Ministry Center

As a Jubilee Ministry Center in the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri, Trinity Food Ministry acts as a mentor and example of both Charity and Advocacy. An opportunity for advocacy is here.

Ameren is currently seeking at 15%+ rate increase. I don't know of anyone except for mega-corp executives who receive that much of an increase in one fell swoop. Certainly, the people we serve at Trinity Food Ministry do not. This is an outrageous rate increase request.



So, what can you do? Check out the flyer that is attached. Attend a public hearing meeting, virtually or in person. Write letters to the Public Service Commission which is supposed to regulate these investor-owned monopolies and protect consumers against their greed. If they can't see or hear you, they pretend you don't exist.

Here's a link

(https://psc.mo.gov/Electric/PSC_Sets_Local_Public_Hearing_Schedule_in_Ameren_Missouri_Electric_Rate_Case--pr-25-15) to the list of hearings (01.21 - 01.27). If you want to testify Here's a link (<https://moconsumers.org/events/2025-ameren-rate-case-testimony-training/>) to the testimony training sessions (01.07, 01.08, 01.09, and 01.16).

A summary of the proposed rate increase is as follows:

- * Annual increase for residential households approximately \$209.41, or 15.77%, annually.
- * Increase in corporate profit of 10.25%.
- * Increase in the residential fixed monthly charge from the current level of \$9.00 to \$10.43, which is an approximately 15.9% increase.

What you do matters. What you don't do matters even more.
BGC



Food Ministry Amazon Wishlist

Scan or click on the QR code to go to the Food Ministry's Amazon Wishlist.

This Week's Core Value: Justice Oriented

We believe in confronting the structural and systemic sins of the world. Our actions, practices, and beliefs are shaped by a commitment to loving our neighbors in public, especially the poor, the vulnerable, and those carrying heavy burdens.



January 12: The First Sunday after the Epiphany

In our Diocese of Missouri, we pray for the people and ministry of Grace Episcopal Church (1859) in Kirkwood and Lisa, their Rector.

* In our companion Diocese of Puerto Rico, we pray for St. John

the Apostle and Evangelist (Misión San Juan Apóstol y Evangelista) in Yauco.

* In the Anglican Communion, we pray for The Church of the Province of West Africa.

We keep in our prayers those who are ill or in need:

Helen Hendry
Glenda Wiman
Thomas Kirk
Anne Hennig
Nan Sweet
Gloria Winston
Dolores Friesen
John Biggs
Steven Forsyth
Julien Worland
Joan Dunbar
The Rev. David K. Fly
Betsey Gardner
Pat Way
Ray Becvar
Denver Wright
Gwen Sims
Charlene Wright
Bruce Baldwin

Friends and Relatives:

Nolan, 2-year-old grandson of a friend of Jeff Wunrow fighting cancer
Amanda, Deacon Barbi's daughter
Karri, Deacon Barbi's daughter-in-law
Bruce Deal and Harry Forbes, New York friends of Michael Shepley
Tiffany Cruz, friend of Lisa Carpenter, breast cancer
Joe Richardson (Of Feed My People), friend of Jerry Martin, multiple health issues.
Darryl Underwood, Sharron Underwood's brother
Karla, friend of Cathy Tierney, heart issues

Ken, Molly Perling's grandfather
Jay Shuldiner, friend of Brian Alms, recovering from two falls.
Warren Frank Moseley (Cynthia and Patrick Fox's son), and his friend, Janese
Julien for comfort and healing
Hope, health challenges.
Romerico Lansang, friend of Brian Alms, lung cancer.
Phyllis, the Rev. Steve Lawler's mother-in-law
Teresa, Eliza Williamson's stepmother, chronic illness
Mike, Jeannette Lehrmann's brother, prostate cancer.
Buelane Daugherty, friend of Brian Alms, increasing dementia
The Trimble Family
Pat R., friend of Cathy Tierney, bladder cancer
Lois Underwood, Sharron Underwood's sister
Frank Menkhus, Pat Way's friend with heart problems
Sally Moylan, Pat Way's friend with multiple health problems

For Diocesan Clergy: The Rev. Helen Ludbrook, the Rev. David K. Fly, and the
Rt. Rev. Hays Rockwell.

For Trinity Food Ministry and its volunteers.

For service members in harm's way.

Birthdays January 12-18: Jane Edwards, Michael Biggers.

Departed: Anne Hudson

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Readings for Sunday, Jan. 19 Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Isaiah 62:1-5
1 Corinthians 12:1-11
John 2:1-11
Psalm 36:5-10



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Junior Warden: Ben Kiel

2025

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Mary Moore
Hal Morgan

2026

Skip Coburn
Dave Hilditch

2027

Ben Kiel
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