



Holy Eucharist Christmas Eve

Saturday, December 24th, 2022

5:00 pm Service

The Word of God

Prelude- *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*- Wilbur Held

Johnana Clark- Organ

Hymnal 83

Opening Hymn- *O come all ye faithful (v. 1& 3)*

1 O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
2 God from God, Light from Light e - ter - nal,
3 Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
*4 See how the shep - herds, sum - moned to his cra - dle,
*5 Child, for us sin - ners poor and in the man - ger,

1 come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem;
2 lo! he ab - hors not the Vir - gin's womb;
3 sing, all ye ci - ti - zens of heaven a - bove;
4 leav - ing their flocks, draw nigh to gaze;
5 we would em - brace thee, with love and awe;

1 come, and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
2 on - ly - be - got - ten Son of the Fa - ther;
3 glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est;
4 we too will thith - er bend our joy - ful foot - steps;
5 who would not love thee, lov - ing us so dear - ly?

Refrain

O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a -

dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord.

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All standing, the Celebrant says Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit

People *And blessed be His kingdom, now and forever. Amen.*

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

Gloria- *Angels We Have Heard on High (v. 1-2)*

Hymnal 96

1 An - gels we have heard on high, sing - ing sweet - ly through the night,
2 Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why these songs of hap - py cheer?
3 Come to Beth - le - hem and see him whose birth the an - gels sing;
4 See him in a man - ger laid whom the an - gels praise a - bove;

and the moun - tains in re - ply ech - o - ing their brave de - light.
What great bright - ness did you see? What glad tid - ings did you hear?
come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ, the Lord, the new - born King.
Ma - ry, Jo - seph, lend your aid, while we raise our hearts in love.

Refrain
Glo - ri - a

in ex - cel - sis De - o. Glo - ri - a

- ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you make us glad by the yearly festival of the birth of your only Son Jesus Christ: Grant that we, who joyfully receive him as our Redeemer, may with sure confidence behold him when he comes to be our Judge; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Reader A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah (62:6-12)

Upon your walls, O Jerusalem, I have posted sentinels; all day and all night they shall never be silent. You who remind the Lord, take no rest, and give him no rest until he establishes Jerusalem and makes it renowned throughout the earth. The Lord has sworn by his right hand and by his mighty arm: I will not again give your grain to be food for your enemies, and foreigners shall not drink the wine for which you have labored; but those who garner it shall eat it and praise the Lord, and those who gather it shall drink it in my holy courts. Go through, go through the gates, prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway, clear it of stones, lift up an ensign over the peoples. The Lord has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to daughter Zion, "See, your salvation comes; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him." They shall be called, "The Holy People, The Redeemed of the Lord"; and you shall be called, "Sought Out, A City Not Forsaken."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 97 - *Please remain seated for the recitation of the Psalm.*

Reader The Psalm appointed for today is Psalm 97. Let us read in unison.

The Lord is King; let the earth rejoice; *

let the multitude of the isles be glad.

Clouds and darkness are round about him, *

righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.

A fire goes before him *

and burns up his enemies on every side.

His lightnings light up the world; *

the earth sees it and is afraid.

The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the Lord, *

at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

The heavens declare his righteousness, *

and all the peoples see his glory.

Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods! *

Bow down before him, all you gods.

Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, *

because of your judgments, O Lord.

For you are the Lord, most high over all the earth; *

you are exalted far above all gods.

*The Lord loves those who hate evil; **

he preserves the lives of his saints and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.

*Light has sprung up for the righteous, **

and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.

*Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, **

and give thanks to his holy Name.

Second Reading

Reader A reading from the book of Titus (3:4-7)

When the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. This Spirit he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

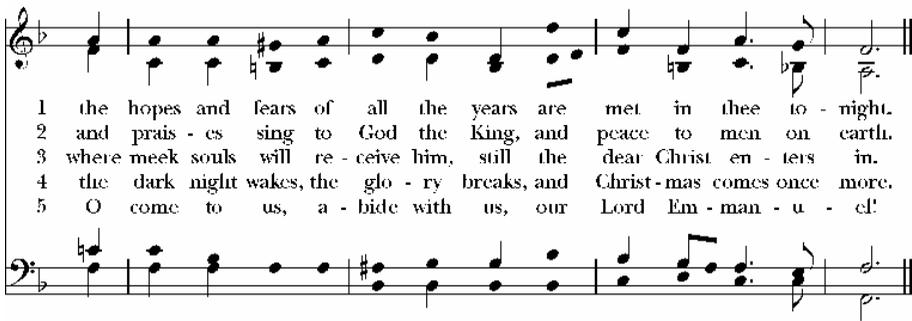
Sequence- O Little Town of Bethlehem (v. 1)

Hymnal 79

1 O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie!
2 For Christ is born of Ma - ry; and gath - ered all a - bove,
3 How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly, the won - drous gift is given!
*4 Where child - ren pure and hap - py pray to the bless - ed Child,
5 O ho - ly Child of Beth - le - hem, de - scend to us, we pray;

1 A - bove thy deep and dream - less sleep the si - lent stars go by;
2 while mor - tals sleep, the an - gels keep their watch of won - dering love.
3 So God im - parts to hu - man hearts the bless - ings of his heaven.
4 where mis - er - y cries out to thee, Son of the mo - ther mild;
5 cast out our sin and en - ter in, be born in us to - day.

1 yet in thy dark streets shin - eth the ev - er - last - ing Light;
2 O morn - ing stars, to - geth - er pro - claim the ho - ly birth!
3 No ear may hear his com - ing, but in this world of sin,
4 where char - i - ty stands watch - ing and faith holds wide the door,
5 We hear the Christ - mas an - gels the great glad tid - ings tell;



1 the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night.
 2 and prais - es sing to God the King, and peace to men on earth.
 3 where meek souls will re - ceive him, still the dear Christ en - ters in.
 4 the dark night wakes, the glo - ry breaks, and Christ - mas comes once more.
 5 O come to us, a - bide with us, our Lord Em - man - u - el!

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Holy Gospel

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (2:1-20).

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.” And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!” When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.” So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**



Celebrant And now the story of Christmas

SCENE I

Shepherd Child: Wow, Papa, look at all the stars out there.

Lead Shepherd: Those stars shine to remind us that God is near.

Shepherd Child: The darkness can feel so big, but when I see the stars I am less afraid.

Lead Shepherd: When I was small, I was afraid, too. And when I felt very small and alone in the fields, I would look up and see shooting stars that would go whizzing by, then I remembered God was with me.

Shepherd Child: Can you tell me the story again about the angels that came to the shepherds in Bethlehem?

Lead Shepherd: Yes, let's start from the very beginning ... it all began on a very starry night like tonight, the night when God spoke to Abraham and promised him that his descendants would be as numerous as the stars.

Shepherd Child: Did he believe God? That seems impossible!

Lead Shepherd: With God all things are possible, and when he makes a promise, he is always faithful. In the fullness of time, God sent the Angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee. The Angel spoke to a young woman named Mary, who was a virgin. She was engaged to a man named Joseph, a relative of King David.

Angel Gabriel: Greetings, Mary! You are highly favored! The Lord has blessed you among all women.

Mary: Me? I am just a young girl in a very small village.

Angel Gabriel: Do not be afraid, Mary, you are highly favored and will be the mother of the savior of the world.

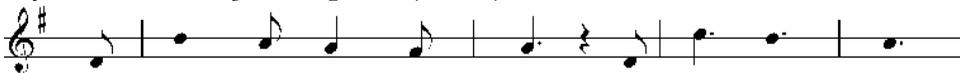
Mary: How is that possible?

Angel Gabriel: The Holy Spirit will make it happen. You will have a son, and his name will be Jesus. Mary, remember: "with God nothing is impossible."

Mary: Let it be so. "I am the Lord's servant. My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my savior."

Hymn- *The snow lay on the ground (v.1&2)*

Hymnal 110



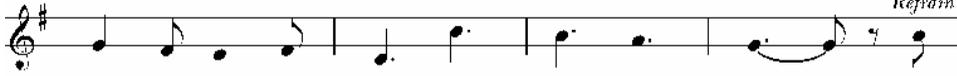
1 The snow lay on the ground, the stars shone bright,
 2 'Twas Ma - ry, daugh - ter pure of ho - ly Anne,
 3 Saint Jo - seph, too, was by to tend the child;
 4 And thus that man - ger poor be - came a throne;



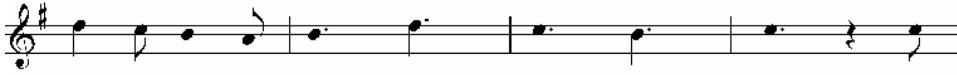
when Christ our Lord was born On Christ - mas night. Ve -
 that brought in - to this world the God made man. She
 to guard him, and pro - tect his mo - ther mild; the
 for he whom Ma - ry bore was God the Son. O



ni - te a - do - re - mus Do - mi - num. Ve -
 laid him in a stall at Beth - le - hem; the
 an - gels lov - ered round, and sang this song, Ve -
 come, then, let us join the heaven - ly host, to



ni - te a - do - re - mus Do - mi - num.
 ass and ox - en shared the roof with them. Ve -
 ni - te a - do - re - mus Do - mi - num.
 praise the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.



ni - te a - do - re - mus Do - mi - num. Ve -



ni - te a - do - re - mus Do - mi - num.

SCENE II

Lead Shepherd: When Mary and Joseph arrived they had no place to stay.

Innkeepers/Congregation: There is no room in our inn!

Mary: I am having a baby, the Son of God.

Innkeepers/Congregation: You may go to the stable with the animals!

Lead Shepherd: Now, this is where we shepherds came into the story. We were all in the field watching our sheep. ‘Cause you know sheep ... they need watching. Then all of a sudden the glory of the Lord shone around us. It was the most frightening thing I have ever seen. We were scared, until the Angel said ...

Angel Gabriel: Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy for everyone! Today in the town of David, a savior is born; he is the Messiah! Follow the star and you will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.

Angels: Glory to God in the highest, peace on Earth and good will towards all creation!



Hymn- *God rest you merry, gentlemen (v. 1)*

Hymnal 105



1 God rest you mer - ry, gen - tle - men, let noth - ing you dis - may;
 2 From God our heaven - ly Fa - ther a bless - ed an - gel came
 3 "Fear not, then," said the an - gel, "Let noth - ing you af - fright;
 4 Now to the Lord sing prais - es, all you with - in this place,



re - mem - ber Christ our Sa - vior was born on Christ - mas Day,
 and un - to cer - tain shep - herds brought tid - ings of the same;
 this day is born a Sa - vior of a pure vir - gin bright,
 and with true love and char - i - ty each o - ther now em - brace;



to save us all from Sa - tan's power when we were gone a - stray,
 how that in Beth - le - hem was born the Son of God by name,
 to free all those who trust in him from Sa - tan's power and might."
 this ho - ly tide of Christ - mas doth bring re - deem - ing grace.



Refrain
 O tid - ings of com - fort and joy, com - fort and



joy; O tid - ings of com - fort and joy!

SCENE III

Lead Shepherd: After the Angels visited us, we followed the great STAR to Bethlehem.

Shepherd Child: What did you see?

Lead Shepherd: We followed the star to a stable, where the savior of the world lay.

Shepherd Child: A stable? With animals?

Lead Shepherd: Yes, he was lying in a feed trough for animals. The savior of the world, the promise given to Abraham hundreds of years ago.

Shepherd Child: A stable? With animals?

Hymn- *Away in a manger (v. 1)*

Hymnal 101



1 A - way in a man - ger, no crib for his bed,
 2 The cat - tle are low - ing, the ba - by a - wakes,
 * 3 Be near me, Lord Je - sus; I ask thee to stay

the lit - tle Lord Je - sus laid down his sweet head.
 but lit - tle Lord Je - sus no cry - ing he makes.
 close by me for ev - er, and love me I pray.

The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,
 I love thee, Lord Je - sus! Look down from the sky,
 Bless all the dear chil - dren in thy ten - der care,

the lit - tle Lord Je - sus a - sleep on the hay.
 and stay by my side un - til morn - ing is night.
 and fit us for hea - ven to live with thee there.

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SCENE IV

Lead Shepherd: After Jesus was born, God lit the brightest star in the sky and a group of Wise Men from the East went to Jesus. They brought him gifts and worshiped him as the true king over his people. Everyone in this story was scared, just as we are, when we feel alone in the dark. This story was not just for the shepherds and wise men. This is your story, my story, and this story belongs to the whole world.

Shepherd Child: Wow!!! What an amazing story!

Lead Shepherd: Jesus is our light in the darkness, he is God with us, and like all these shining stars, anyone who believes in him will blaze in the dark with the hope of his promises to us.

Hymn- *Go tell it on the Mountain (v. 1&2)*

Hymnal 99

Refrain

Go tell it on the moun - tain, o - ver the hills and
 ev - ery - where; go tell it on the moun - tain, that

Je - sus Christ is born!

1 While shep - herds kept their
 2 The shep - herds feared and
 3 Down in a low - ly

watch - ing o'er si - lent flocks by night, be -
 trem - bled when lo! a - bove the earth rang
 man - ger the hum - ble Christ was born, and

hold, through-out the hea - vens there shone a ho - ly light,
 out the an - gel cho - rus that hailed our Sa - vior's birth.
 God sent us sal - va - tion that bless - ed Christ - mas morn.

Repeat Refrain

Prayers of the People: Form I

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Reader With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, have mercy.”

Reader For the peace from above, for the loving kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, especially the members of The Anglican Church of Melanesia, Church of the Messiah in Gonzales, St. Stephen’s in Wimberley, and St. Stephen’s in San Antonio; and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; David and Rayford our Bishops; Stephen, Patricia, and Tom our priests, their families, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader For our President, our Governor, and all our elected officials, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

People *Lord, have mercy.*

Reader For this city, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, especially those who devote their time to help with the Children's Advocacy Center, let us pray to the Lord.

People *Lord, have mercy.*

Reader For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

People *Lord, have mercy.*

Reader For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering; especially June Rives, Warren Wundt, Ann Ramsey, Julie Champion, Lynwood Jones, Amy Lacey, Mari Allmond, Evelyn Engblom, Dennis Engblom, Elizabeth Walker, Les Shephard, Karen Harris, Abe Zapata, Charlie Smith, Mary Gibson, Frances Billeaud, Dan Reimer, Chris Krippner, Letty O'Brien, Bill Edwards, Rhonda Cushatt, Evelyn Neumann, Dr. Richie Spence, Tom Lehman, Margaret Hopkins, Vanessa Nussel, Colin Baker, Donald Schwartz, Lael Seagert, David Hamer, Alex McInnis, Penny Sengler, Theresa Zapata, Jean Norris. For our friends and family who are homebound or residing in care and recovery facilities, especially: Carole Schievelbein, Mary Louise Donegan, Helen Martinson, Audrey Herron, Kenneth Minter, and Betty Rainey; let us pray to the Lord.

People *Lord, have mercy.*

Reader For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

People *Lord, have mercy.*

Reader For all who have died, in the hope of the resurrection, let us pray to the Lord.

People *Lord, have mercy.*

Reader For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

People *Lord, have mercy.*

Reader That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

People *Lord, have mercy.*

Reader In the communion of St. Andrew and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

People *To you, O Lord our God.*

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A moment of silence is kept.

Celebrant and People **Most merciful God, 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 neighbors 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 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.

Amen.

Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People *And also with you.*

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

Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem- *Joy to the World! the Lord is come*

Hymnal 100

The musical score is written for four parts: Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass. It is in the key of D major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and joyful, with a strong emphasis on the first and third beats of each measure. The lyrics are printed below the staves, with some words split across lines. The score includes a variety of note values, including quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, as well as rests and dynamic markings like 'p' (piano).

1 Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let earth re -
 2 Joy to the world! the Sa - vior reigns; let us our
 *3 No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in -
 4 He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the

ceive her King; let ev - ery heart pre - pare him room, and
 songs em - ploy, while fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains, re -
 fest the ground; he comes to make his bless - ings flow far
 na - tions prove the glo - ries of his right - eous - ness, and

heaven and na - ture sing, and heaven and na - ture
 peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing
 as the curse is found, far as the curse is
 won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his

1 and heaven and na - ture sing, and
 2 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re -
 3 far as the curse is found, far
 4 and won - ders of his love, and

sing, and heaven, and heaven and na - ture sing.
 joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
 found, far as, far as the curse is found.
 love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

heaven and na - ture sing,
 repeat the sound - ing joy,
 as the curse is found,
 won - ders of his love.

Doxology-

Celebrant and People: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving- Eucharistic Prayer A

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Sursum Corda-

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People ***We lift them to the Lord.***

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Celebrant Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Hymnal S 130

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

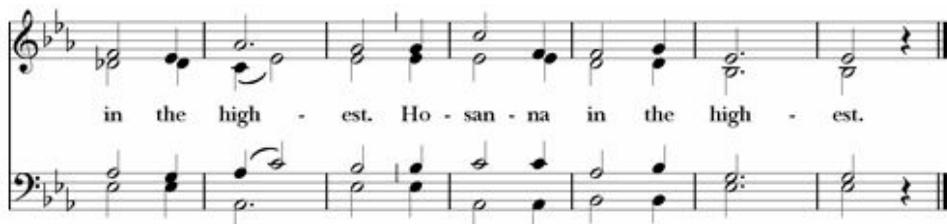
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na



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After the Sanctus: You may kneel or remain standing for the rest of the Eucharistic Prayer.

Celebrant Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

Celebrant On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Celebrant After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People ***Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.***

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

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

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Celebrant and People ***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.***

Breaking of the Bread

The celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Fraction Anthem- *The congregation sings the entire anthem.*

Hymnal S154

This setting is not used in Lent.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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Invitation

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All who hunger and thirst, come. The table is ready.

Communion Hymn 1- *What child is, who, laid to rest*

Hymnal 115

Unison or harmony

1 What child is this, who, laid to rest, on
2 Why lies he in such mean es - tate where
3 So bring him in - cense, gold, and myrrh, come,
Ma - ry's lap is sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with
ox and ass are feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear: for
peas - ant, king, to own him; the King of kings sal -
an - thems sweet, while shep - herds watch are keep - ing?
sin - ners here the si - lent Word is plead - ing.
va - tion brings, let lov - ing hearts en - throne him.

Refrain

This, this is Christ the King, whom shep - herds
guard and an - gels sing; haste, haste to
bring him laud, the babe, the son of Ma - ry.

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Communion Hymn 2- *Good Christian friends, rejoice*

Hymnal 107

1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;
2 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;
3 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;

give ye heed to what we say; Je - sus Christ is born to - day;
now ye hear of end - less bliss; Je - sus Christ was born for this!
now ye need not fear the grave; Je - sus Christ was born to save!

ox and ass be - fore him bow, and he is in the man - ger now.
 He hath o - pened hea - ven's door, and we are blest for ev - er - more.
 Calls you one and calls you all to gain his ev - er - last - ing hall.

Christ is born to - day! Christ is born to - day!
 Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!
 Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

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Communion Hymn 3- *Hark the herald angels sing*

Hymnal 87

1 Hark! the her-ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new-born King!
 2 Christ, by high-est heaven a - dored; Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord;
 3 Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,

Peace on earth and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!
 late in time be - hold him come, off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb.
 born to raise us from the earth, born to give us sec - ond birth.

Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, join the tri - umph of the skies;
 Veiled in flesh the God - head see; hail the in - car - nate De - i - ty.
 Risen with heal - ing in his wings, light and life to all he brings,

with the an-gel-ic host pro-claim Christ is born in Beth-le-hem!
 Pleased as man with us to dwell; Je-sus, our Em-man-u-ell!
 hail, the Sun of Right-eous-ness! hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!

Refrain

Hark! the her-ald an-gels sing glo-ry to the new-born King!

Postcommunion Prayer

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Celebrant Let us pray.

All **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

Blessing and Candle Lighting

Postcommunion Hymn- *Silent Night*

Hymnal 111

Si - lent night, ho - ly night, all is calm,
 Si - lent night, ho - ly night, shep - herds quake
 Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Son of God,

all is bright round yon vir - gin mo - ther and child.
 at the sight, glo - ries stream from lea - ven a - far,
 love's pure light ra - diant beams from thy ho - ly face,

Ho - ly in - fant, so ten - der and mild, sleep in hea - ven - ly
 heaven - ly hosts sing al - le - lu - ia; Christ, the Sa - vior, is
 with the dawn of re - deem - ing grace, Je - sus, Lord, at thy

peace. Sleep in hea - ven - ly peace.
 born! Christ, the Sa - vior, is born!
 birth. Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth.

Dismissal

Celebrant Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Postlude-*Joy to the World- Mary McDonald*

Johnana Clark- Organ

Schedule

Christmas Eve Services

8:00 p.m.- Not so Midnight Mass (Chapel)

Christmas Day Service

10:00 a.m.- Chapel



Ministers in the Lord's Service

Celebrant- Fr. Stephen Shortess

The Rev. Patricia Riggins

Lay Reader- Kelly Follis

Crucifer- Clara Spencer-Dibble

Altar Guild- Betty Anderson, Ellen Stone, Sandy Merrell

Ushers- Liz McCown, Allen Moczygamba, and Pam & Wayne Roitsch

Musicians- Johnana Clark- Organ, Choir Director/Cantor- Leo Garcia

Christmas Pageant

Shepherd Child:

Riley Patranella

Lead Shepherd:

Clara Spencer-Dibble

Angel Gabriel:

Colin Spencer-Dibble

Mary:

Alexis McInnis

Angels:

Adin Moczygamba, Abigail Shortess

Animals:

Wyatt Willis, James Shortess, Bodie Patranella

Innkeepers:

Congregation

We at St. Andrew's wish you a happy and Spirit-filled Christmas. May God bless you in this holy season.

