

CHRIST & SAINT LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

HOLY EUCHARIST
with CHRISTMAS PAGEANT



CHRISTMAS EVE
December 24, 2024
4:30 p.m.

ORDER OF SERVICE

*All page numbers refer to the Book of Common Prayer. Hymns can be found in the blue Hymnal 1982.
Service music, marked with an 'S', may be found in the front portion of the hymnal.*

PRELUDE: Prelude on "Quem Pastores"

Healey Willan

Please stand at the ringing of the bell.

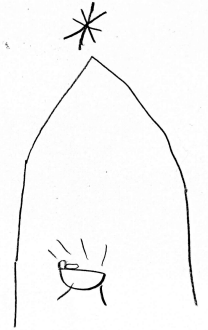
PROCESSIONAL HYMN 102: Once in royal David's city

Soloist: Once in royal David's city stood a lowly cattle shed,
where a mother laid her baby in a manger for his bed:
Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ, her little child.

**2. He came down to earth from heaven who is God and Lord of all,
and his shelter was a stable, and his cradle was a stall;
with the poor, the scorned, the lowly, lived on earth our Savior holy.**

**3. And our eyes at last shall see him, through his own redeeming love;
For that child who seemed so helpless is our Lord in heaven above;
And he leads his children on to the place where he is gone.**

**4. Not in that poor, lowly stable with the oxen standing round,
we shall see him; but in heaven, where his saints his throne surround:
Christ, revealed to faithful eye, set at God's right hand on high.**



Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. O God, you have caused this holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: Grant that we, who have known the mystery of that Light on earth, may also enjoy him perfectly in heaven; where with you and the Holy Spirit he lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

Please be seated.



THE CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Please remain seated for the singing of the hymns.

We are so glad you are here for this year's Christmas pageant. Our children have worked very hard to bring the story of Jesus' birth to life. The telling of this story is an essential part of our worship service tonight.

*For that reason, we ask you **not to take any videos or photos during the pageant.***

There will be a moment at the end for you to take pictures. The children will be dismissed at the Peace to get out of costume and they will be brought to their families during the announcements.

SCENE 1: THE PROPHET ISAIAH

HYMN 56: O come, O Come Emmanuel

Veni Emmanuel

- I. O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.**

SCENE 2: THE ANNUNCIATION TO MARY

HYMN 265: The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came

Gabriel's Message

- I. The Angel Gabriel from heaven came,
his wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame;
'All hail,' said he, 'thou lowly maiden Mary,
most highly favored lady.' Gloria!**

SCENE 3: THE BIRTH OF JESUS

HYMN 79: O little town of Bethlehem

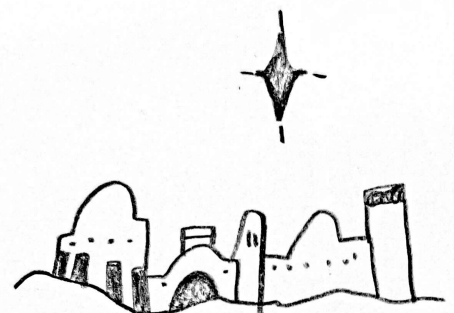
St. Louis

- I. O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by;
yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light.
The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.**

HYMN: Away in a manger

Mueller

- I. Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.
The stars in the bright sky
looked down where he lay,
the little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.**



SCENE 4: THE SHEPHERDS AND THE ANGELS

HYMN 96: Angels we have heard on high

Gloria

- 1. Angels we have heard on high, singing sweetly through the night,
And the mountains in reply, echoing their brave delight.
Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!**
- 2. Come to Bethlehem and see him whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee Christ, the Lord, the newborn King.
Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, in excelsis Deo!**

ANTHEM: One Holy Night in Bethlehem

John D. Horman

SCENE 5: THE MAGI

HYMN 128: We three kings

Three Kings of Orient

- 1. We three kings of Orient are, bearing gifts we traverse afar,
field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.
O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright;
Westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light!**

SCENE 6: GOD WITH US

HYMN 99: Go tell it on the mountain

Go Tell It on the Mountain

Refrain: Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills, and everywhere;
go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.

- 1. While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night,
behold, throughout the heavens there shone a holy light. Refrain**
- 2. Down in a lowly manger the humble Christ was born,
and God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn. Refrain**

HOMILY

The Reverend Noah Van Niel

THE PEACE

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



THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: A maiden most gentle

Andrew Carter

A maiden most gentle and tender we sing,
Of Mary the mother of Jesus our King. *Ave Maria.*

How blest is the birth of her heavenly child,
Who came to redeem us in Mary so mild.

The Archangel Gabriel foretold by his call,
The Lord of creation and Savior of all.

Three kings came to worship with gifts rich and rare,
And marveled in awe at the babe in her care.

Rejoice and be glad at this Christmas we pray,
Sing praise to the Savior, sing endless *Ave!*



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

adapted from "People Look East" by Gretchen Wolf Pritchard

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 God thanks and praise.**

It is right to give thanks to you, Lord God; for you made all things to be very good, and you made us to know and serve you. And although we turned against you, and spoiled your world, you did not abandon us. You promised to bring us home, and crown us with glory in your kingdom of peace.

And in the fullness of time, you sent your Son, Emmanuel, born of a woman, to give light to those who walked in darkness, and to be the Prince of Peace. For us he gave himself up to death, and rising from the grave, brought us with him into everlasting joy at your right hand. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels, with Mary and Joseph, shepherds and sheep, kings and angels, beasts and birds, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS: Hymnal S128

William Mathias

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by the coming of your Son, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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."

We remember your promise, O Lord, that you made to your people long ago. We remember the coming of the Savior, and the new light that shone in the world. We remember his life, his death, and his resurrection, and we wait in hope for his coming again, and the completion of your promises in his Kingdom of peace. May the bread and wine we share together be for us a promise of that Kingdom and fill us with your life and goodness, that we may become one body and one spirit through Jesus Christ, who is God with us.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, we give honor and glory, now and forever. **AMEN.**

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

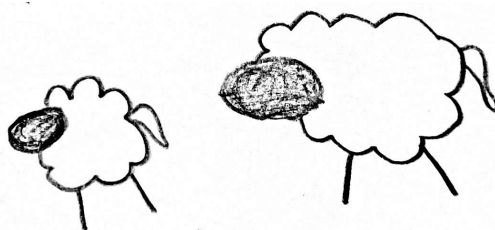
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*At the invitation of the usher, please make your way into the center aisle.
You may choose to receive the sacrament at the altar rail or one of the standing stations.
After you have received, please remember to pick up a candle
as you make your way back to your seat down the side aisles.*



COMMUNION DUET: The Virgin's Slumber Song

Max Reger

Lauren & Leslie Ipock, sopranos

COMMUNION ANTHEM: O holy night

Adolphe Adam

O holy night, the stars are brightly shining, it is the night of the dear Savior's birth.
Long lay the world in sin and error pining, till He appeared and the soul felt its worth.
A thrill of hope, the weary world rejoices for yonder breaks a new and glorious morn.
Fall on your knees, oh, hear the angel voices, O night divine, O night when Christ was born.

Led by the light of faith serenely beaming, with glowing hearts by His cradle we stand.
So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming, here came the wise men from the orient land.
The King of kings lay thus in lowly manger, in all our trials born to be our friend.
He knows our need, to our weakness no stranger, behold your King, before Him lowly bend.

Truly He taught us to love one another, his law is love and His gospel is peace.
Chains shall He break for the slave is our brother, and in His name all oppression shall cease.
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we, let all within us praise His holy name.
Christ is the Lord, then ever, ever praise we his power and glory evermore proclaim.

COMMUNION ANTHEM: Carol of the Light

David Barton

In a world which seems so dark, in a world which seems so lost,
may the light of Christ this Christmas be a beacon, be a light.
May the light of Christ be a beacon, may the beacon light your way.
May the light send you forth, may it journey at your side,
may the love of the Christ-child be your guide.
In the cold of the night, in the warmth of the day, in the stillness of a new-born child,
when we can't comprehend why our wars never end,
may the peace of Christ enfold you this year.

*After communion, the acolytes distribute light to the congregation.
Please only tip unlit candles, and extinguish them before the final hymn.*

POST-COMMUNION HYMN III *Sung by all, kneeling or seated.*

Stille Nacht

**1. Silent night, holy night,
all is calm, all is bright
round yon Virgin mother and child.
Holy infant, so tender and mild,
sleep in heavenly peace.**

**2. Silent night, holy night,
Son of God, love's pure light
radiant beams from thy holy face,
with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord at thy birth.**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **God our Father, whose Word has come among us
in the Holy Child of Bethlehem:
may the light of faith illumine our hearts
and shine in our words and deeds;
through him who is Christ the Lord. Amen.**

THE CHRISTMAS BLESSING

Celebrant May Christ, who by his Incarnation gathered into one things earthly and heavenly, fill you with his joy and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty: The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be upon you, and remain with you this night and always. **Amen.**

Please stand and extinguish your candle.

CLOSING HYMN 100: Joy to the world

Antioch

- 1. Joy to the world! The Lord is come: Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare him room, and heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing, and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.**
- 2. Joy to the world! The Savior reigns; let us our songs employ,
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains, repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.**
- 3. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness, and wonders of his love,
And wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.**

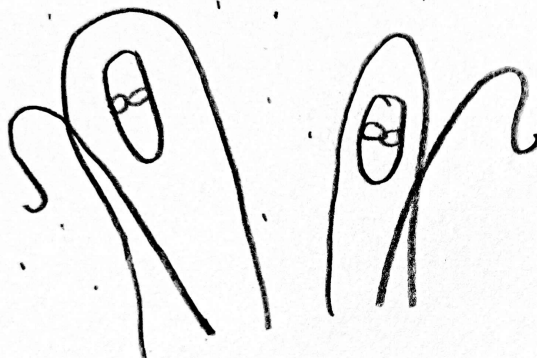
THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

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

ORGAN POSTLUDE: Toccata on Antioch

Craig Phillips



Many thanks to everyone who worked to make this year's Pageant a success!

COME WORSHIP WITH US AGAIN:

December 24, 9:30 p.m. Carol Prelude; **10 p.m.** Festal Eucharist with brass

December 25, 10:15 a.m. Christmas Day Eucharist with Carols

December 29, 8 & 10:15 a.m. Christmas Lessons & Carols with Holy Eucharist



Original art work created by the children of Christ and St. Luke's.

The Christmas Flowers are given to the Glory of God by:

Joan Atkinson, in thanksgiving for family and friends
Katie & Martin Bagay, in loving memory of Johanna P. Elder
Allen Baker, in loving memory of Bernie, Carl, Henry and other friends singing in the heavenly choir
Dottie Ballard, in loving memory of Chad Ballard; and in thanksgiving for Chad & Carter Ballard
Gina & Alex Barranger, in thanksgiving for Gigi & Shep Miller
Jane Batten, in loving memory of Frank Batten, Sr., The Rev. Joseph Green
Judie & Michael Belka, in thanksgiving for Meghann, Lauren, Curt, Sam, Leah, Jon, Adam
Diane Berry, in loving memory of Jane & Charlie Berry, Mary & Rosser Bowles
Joanna Binford & Stephen Leist, in loving memory of George & Shirley Leist;
and in thanksgiving for Joseph & Anne Binford
The Booth Family, in loving memory of Joan Lamp;
and in thanksgiving for our Wardens, Dave Cass & Margaret Inge
Mallory & Otis Butler, in loving memory of Stuart Copeland, Elsie & Bill Copeland,
Lucy-Page & Harry Lewis, Otis Butler, Jr., John Butler, Herb Shaw
Abigayle Cheney, in loving memory of Kaylyn Garrett; and in thanksgiving for Kathy Hanna
Thomas Clayton, in loving memory of Elizabeth Clayton
George & Saunders Compo, in loving memory of Betty & Louis Compo, Virginia & David Ferebee;
and in thanksgiving for Elizabeth & Patrick Gray, Cate Gray, Hobson Gray,
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Betty Denniston, in loving memory of Edward Lee Denniston
Marilyn & Ray Gindroz, Monica Gindroz, in thanksgiving for Kevin Kwan and all the wonderful musicians
in the choirs
Edith Grandy, in loving memory Cyrus W. Grandy, V; and in thanksgiving for Wiley, Gray & Wiley Grandy
Ginny & Chris Hale, in loving memory of Lynn Hale, Barbara Minor, Emily Roberts
William Hall, in thanksgiving for Dan Hunt & Rod Ingram
Sarah Davis Harrison, in loving memory of Benny Marion Le Bon
Dan Haworth and family, in loving memory of Susan Warrick Haworth, Florence & Millard Warrick,
Grace & Ira Haworth, Bernard & Charlotte Smith, and Edna Harrison
Dan & Trish Heflin, in loving memory of Fred & Leatha Coggins, Hugh & Anne Heflin
Teresa Hio, in loving memory of Akemi Hio
Robert Hitchings, in loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. L. Burgess Hitchings
John Hudson, in loving memory of Eleanor Hudson, William & Beverly Kepner
Dan Hunt & Rod Ingram, in loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. James Robert Hunt,
Mr. & Mrs. Bland Martel Ingram, Sidney A. Deans, Mykael Thomas Fjestad, Rich King,
Marcella Rietberg, Dr. & Mrs. John Robert Switzer, Jr., Frank Tinuzzo, Michael Wrotchford
Margaret Inge, in loving memory of Cliff Inge, Carl Gaenslen;
and in thanksgiving for Kevin & Drew, and David von Hedge
David Lamp, in loving memory of Joan Lamp
Anne Lankford, in loving memory of George McCoy Lankford & Eleanor Evans McCoy
Errol & Linda Lewis, in memory of loved ones
Win & Cathy Lewis, in thanksgiving for the clergy, staff, and vestry
Maria & Randy Lyall, in loving memory of Jan Kanzig, Gordy & Tamara Denisenko, Raymond & Jo Mattes
Alexandra Marlins, in loving memory of Kenneth E. Smith, Jr.
Allan Masuda, in loving memory of Dorothy Lionetti, Matea Tolosa;
and in thanksgiving for Dorothy Zulli, Alfonso & Milagros Masuda
Lindsay McCaw, in loving memory of Bob & Mary Smith

Alyssa & Hugh McCrory, in thanksgiving for their grandchildren Cameron McCrory & Mia McCrory
 Hugh McCrory, in thanksgiving for Alyssa McCrory
 Gigi Miller, in thanksgiving for Linda Cherry
 Kate & Rudy Miller, in loving memory of Katharine Miller, Thomas Love
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 Peter & Sarah Oberle, in loving memory of Grover & Ruth Oberle, Walter & Janet Eichaker
 Rebecca Old & Kendall Osborne, in loving memory of Levi & Rebecca Old, Robert & Marjorie Osborne
 Priscilla & Wick Parcells, in thanksgiving for their children, spouses, and grandchildren
 David Phillips & Leon Parham, in loving memory of Sidney Moss Phillips & Mary Lewis Austin Phillips,
 James Campbell Parham & Charlotte Fuller Parham
 Preston Powers, in loving memory of Deborah Hoover-Powers
 Billy, Cameron, Jack & Will Poynter, in loving memory of Katherine Rueger Poynter, Ross Campbell Reeves
 Ann Prince, in loving memory of Rue Prince, Carroll Dove, Mr. & Mrs. A. J. Dove, Mr. & Mrs. R. M. Prince
 The Reynolds Family, in loving memory of Harriet Reynolds, Ed & Betty Bogart, Betty Williams
 Stephen Richard, in loving memory of Stephen Warren Richard, III, Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Richard, Sr.
 Priscilla & Sam Roady, in thanksgiving for their children and grandchildren Henry, Lindsay,
 Henry & Calder Robbins, in thanksgiving for Wayne & Alice Robbins, Tom & Leslie Speros
 Joanne & Bill Robbins, in loving memory of Catherine & Alfred Russillo, Margaret & William Roberts, Sr.
 Diane & Jeff Russell, in loving memory of Norma & Harry Smith, Ruth & Everett Russell
 The Saltmarsh family, in loving memory of Linda Saltmarsh "Grandma"
 Barb Schafer, in loving memory of Hollis & Joyce Stith, Jeff McGinnis
 Ellen Sell, in loving memory of The Rev. James Sell, Robert Lear Major
 Marjorie Setnicky, in loving memory of Hilda & Leslie Elcock
 Glenis & Allen Shaffer, in loving memory of Norm Paul
 Corey Shrontz, in thanksgiving for our wonderful clergy
 Gwendolyn Sinclair, in loving memory of Carl Gaenslen
 Bobby Smith, in loving memory of W. Tyler Smith, Mary Seawell Smith & Robert McL. Smith, Jr.,
 Martha R. Seawell & Leon Tyler Seawell, Jr.
 Kevin Smith & Daniel Toven, in loving memory of Sue Smith
 Mary-Carson & Josh Stiff, in loving memory of James & Katherine Harrison, Curtis & Martha Saunders
 BJ & Tim Taylor, in loving memory of Krisnajanti Saffell
 Katherine & Stephen Taylor, in loving memory of Ted & Bertha Taylor, Winford & Nell Mansell,
 Oren & Kathleen Womack, Frank Cacciapaglia, Jr., Baby Boy Verzi
 Rivers Thompson, in loving memory of Pete Thompson; and in thanksgiving for her children and grandchildren
 Ronnie & Saffron Tong, in loving memory of Ronnie Tong, Sr., Pluto
 Anne Traylor, in loving memory of my family in heaven
 Robert Warren, in loving memory of Margaret & Hugh Warren, Jewell & Bert Widener
 Sigur Whitaker, in loving memory of Myers & Sigur Moore Whitaker
 Mary Anna White, in loving memory of Louise Patrick Newton, Richard Dudley White
 Traci and Bob White, in loving memory of Wanda McMillan, Carol Gillooley
 Connie Williams, in loving memory of Robert Slamin
 Jan & Mac Williams, in loving memory of Anne McDonald Williams & George B. Williams
 Meriel Burgess-Wright, in loving memory of Amelia & Wilfred S. Burgess, O.B.E., Charles "Dinky" Vail,
 C. L. "Sonny" Wright, R. K. "Buddy" Cline
 Anna & Tom Yarashus, in loving memory of Kristen A. Yarashus, Robert T. Yarashus

In loving memory of Hannah & George Curtis, Jr., Mary & George Curtis, III, Peggy Curtis,
 Paul Ellis (Pepper) Prillaman, by their family
 In loving memory of Albert & Anne Gebet, Gary L. Benn, Katherine MacAban by their family
 In loving memory of William Wheeley, by his family



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The Reverend Jared Grant, *Associate Rector*
The Reverend Vince Connery, *Assisting Priest*
The Reverend Jess Stribling, *Assisting Priest*
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