

Holy Eucharist: Rite II Christmas Eve 2025

7:00 PM

Prelude *Ave Maria von Arcadelt*

By Liszt

Processional

Hymnal 83

Opening Acclamation

BCP 355

Gloria

Hymnal S-280

Collect of the Day

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.*

First Reading

A reading from Isaiah 9:2-7

The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness--
on them light has shined.
You have multiplied the nation,
you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.
For the yoke of their burden,
and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.
For all the boots of the tramping warriors
and all the garments rolled in blood
shall be burned as fuel for the fire.
For a child has been born for us,
a son given to us;
authority rests upon his shoulders;
and he is named
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
His authority shall grow continually,
and there shall be endless peace
for the throne of David and his kingdom.
He will establish and uphold it
with justice and with righteousness
from this time onward and forevermore.
The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

The Word of the Lord

People: ***Thanks be to God***

Psalm 96 *Cantate Domino*

- 1 Sing to the LORD a new song; *
sing to the LORD, all the whole earth.
- 2 Sing to the LORD and bless his Name; *
proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.
- 3 Declare his glory among the nations *
and his wonders among all peoples.
- 4 For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; *
he is more to be feared than all gods.
- 5 As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; *
but it is the LORD who made the heavens.
- 6 Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence! *
Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!
- 7 Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples; *
ascribe to the LORD honor and power.
- 8 Ascribe to the LORD the honor due his Name; *
bring offerings and come into his courts.
- 9 Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; *
let the whole earth tremble before him.
- 10 Tell it out among the nations: "The LORD is King! *
he has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved;
he will judge the peoples with equity."
- 11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad;
let the sea thunder and all that is in it; *
let the field be joyful and all that is therein.
- 12 Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy
before the LORD when he comes, *
when he comes to judge the earth.
- 13 He will judge the world with righteousness *
and the peoples with his truth.

Second Reading

A reading from Titus 2:11-14

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

The Word of the Lord

People: ***Thanks be to God***

Gradual Hymn

Hymnal 94

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 2:1-14(15-20)

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.]

Por aquel tiempo, el emperador Augusto ordenó que se hiciera un censo de todo el mundo. Este primer censo fue hecho siendo Quirinio gobernador de Siria. Todos tenían que ir a inscribirse a su propio pueblo.

Por esto, José salió del pueblo de Nazaret, de la región de Galilea, y se fue a Belén, en Judea, donde había nacido el rey David, porque José era descendiente de David. Fue allá a inscribirse, junto con María, su esposa, que se encontraba encinta. Y sucedió que mientras estaban en Belén, le llegó a María el tiempo de dar a luz. Y allí nació su hijo primogénito, y lo envolvió en pañales y lo acostó en el establo, porque no había alojamiento para ellos en el mesón.

Cerca de Belén había unos pastores que pasaban la noche en el campo cuidando sus ovejas. De pronto se les apareció un ángel del Señor, y la gloria del Señor brilló alrededor de ellos; y tuvieron mucho miedo. Pero el ángel les dijo: «No tengan miedo, porque les traigo una buena noticia, que será motivo de gran alegría para todos: Hoy les ha nacido en el pueblo de David un salvador, que es el Mesías, el Señor. Como señal, encontrarán ustedes al niño envuelto en pañales y acostado en un establo.»

En aquel momento aparecieron, junto al ángel, muchos otros ángeles del cielo, que alababan a Dios y decían:

«¡Gloria a Dios en las alturas!

¡Paz en la tierra entre los hombres que gozan de su favor!»

【Cuando los ángeles se volvieron al cielo, los pastores comenzaron a decirse unos a otros: —Vamos, pues, a Belén, a ver esto que ha sucedido y que el Señor nos ha anunciado.

Fueron de prisa y encontraron a María y a José, y al niño acostado en el establo. Cuando lo vieron, se pusieron a contar lo que el ángel les había dicho acerca del niño, y todos los que lo oyeron se admiraban de lo que decían los pastores. María guardaba todo esto en su corazón, y lo tenía muy presente. Los pastores, por su parte, regresaron dando gloria y alabanza a Dios por todo lo que habían visto y oído, pues todo sucedió como se les había dicho.】

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord

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

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

The Prayers of the People Form 1

BCP 383

Worship Leader: Let us now pray the parish prayer:

O compassionate Jesus, may the light of your love shine in our hearts each day. Teach us to care for one another. Teach us to be patient with one another. Teach us to forgive and to seek forgiveness and teach us to hold to what is good. May we always be a good example of the family of God. May we always echo your love, healing and hope. Be with us as we come and go, so that our hearts may always be centered on you. In Christ's holy name we pray. *Amen.*

Confession of Sin

BCP 359

The Peace

Announcements & Reminders

Offertory Hymn

Hymnal 109

Presentation of Alms Doxology

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

Sanctus

S-125

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

Fraction Anthem

S-163

Communion Anthem: *Minuit, chrétiens* by Adam

soloist Kimberly Benson

Communion Hymn

Hymnal 111

Prayer for Spiritual Communion (for those who are not present physically)

My Jesus, I believe you are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you more than anything in the world, and I hunger to receive you. But since I cannot receive Communion at this moment, feed my soul at least spiritually. I unite myself to you now as I do when I actually receive you. Amen. (St. Alphonsus Ligoury, 18th Century)

Post Communion Prayer

BCP 365

Recessional

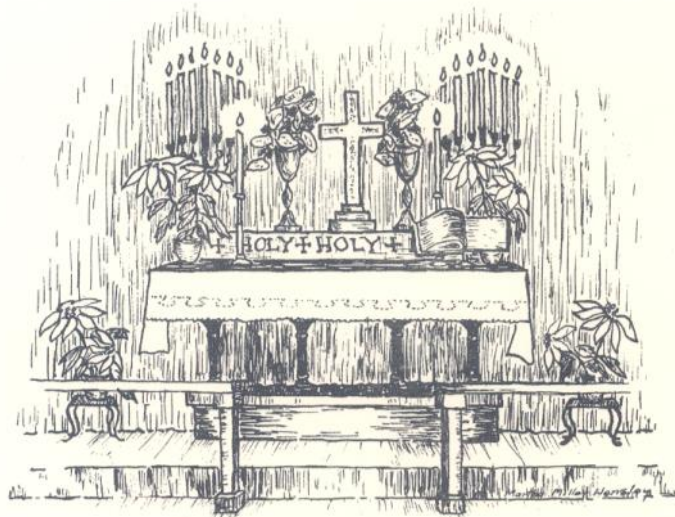
Hymnal 87

Postlude *Noël (Grand Jeu et Duo)*

By Daquin

Poinsettias

In Remembrance of Jim and Edna Gilman	Todd Gilman
In Remembrance of Arthur Roberts	Sydney, Dawn, David, Jennifer, & Lisa
In Remembrance of Ann & Ben Lindamood, The Petrini Family, The Beamer Lindamood Family	Jane Lindamood
In Thanksgiving for the Children of St. Cornelius'	Andy & Liz Treder
In Remembrance of Rochell Banning, Sharon Russel, & Jeanne Spencer	Evan & Kimberly Benson
In Thanksgiving for our Friends and Family and our Many Blessings	John & Janet Treder
In Thanksgiving for our Many Blessings	The Bearce Family
In Thanksgiving for our Many Blessings	Butch & Nan Pyle
In Remembrance of Sandra Kolar and Jim and Edna Gilman	The Kuplic Family
In Remembrance of Dick, Charlene, Chuck, & David Taylor and Rosemary Nolde	Tom & Twyla Taylor



Silent Night - Holy Night

*Altar - St. Cornelius Episcopal Church
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