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THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

December 24, 2025

Vocal & Instrumental Prelude 8:30 p.m.

The Holy Eucharist, Rite II 9:00 p.m.

Prelude

"Noël nouvelet"	<i>trad. French Carol</i>
"In the Bleak Midwinter"	<i>poem by Christina Rossetti, music by Gustav Holst</i> <i>Joe Crupper, tenor</i>
"Lo, How a Rose e'er Blooming"	<i>German carol, harm. Michael Praetorius</i>
"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"	<i>words by E. H. Sears, music by Sir Arthur Sullivan</i>
"A Carol for Advent"	<i>words by Don Besig & Nancy Price, arr. by Don Besig</i> <i>Megan Griggs, mezzo, Roberta Turner, alto, Stephanie Luker, flute</i>
"I Wonder as I Wander"	<i>arranged for flute by Nicole Chamberlain</i> <i>Stephanie Luker, flute</i>
"Pavane for a Silent Night"	<i>words by Jean Anne Shafferman, music by Maurice Ravel,</i> <i>arr. by Patrick M. Liebergen, Stephanie Luker, flute</i>
"Dona Nobis Pacem"	<i>trad.</i> <i>(The congregation is welcome to join us. It's found in the hymnal at 712)</i>
"Once in Royal David's City"	<i>music by Henry John Gauntlett</i> <i>Congregation joins in verse 6, Hymnal #102</i>

Lighting the Christ Candle[©]

(Begin with the previous candles relit.)

Celebrant: Here is good news of great joy, for all people:
God has rescued us from the domain of darkness,
and brought us into the realm of Christ,
in whom our release is secured,
and our sins are forgiven.
The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness has never captured it.

(Luke 2:10; Col. 1:13–14; John 1:5)

The Christ candle is lit.

Celebrant: Let us pray that we may know the warmth and brightness
of Jesus Christ, and show Christ's love to the world.

People: Risen Christ, Light of the world, shine in our lives
and shine among us now. Hallelujah! Amen!

The Word of God

Procession to the Altar

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

Hymnal #83, v. 1-3

The musical score consists of three staves of music in G major, 2/4 time. The top staff is for the soprano voice, the middle staff for the alto voice, and the bottom staff for the bass voice. The lyrics are arranged in five-line stanzas, with the first five lines of each stanza numbered 1 through 5. The score includes a 'Refrain' section at the end.

1 O come, all ye faithful, 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.

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

People: And blessed be God's 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.

Hymn

"Angels We Have Heard on High"

Hymnal #96

joyfully $J=96-116$

1. An - gels we have heard on high Sweet-ly sing - ing o'er the plains,
2. Shep-herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro-long?
3. Come to Beth - le - hem and see Him whose birth the an - gels sing;

And the mount - ains in re - ply Ech - o - ing their joy - ous strains.
What the glad - some tid - ings be Which in - spire your heav'n - ly song?
Come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ the Lord, the new-born King.

Glo - ri - a

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

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

Text: French carol, ca. 1862
Music: French carol

Luke 2:8-20
Psalm 95:6

The Collect of the Day

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.*

First Reading

Isaiah 9:2-7

Reader: 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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 96



Geoffrey Friedley

Sing to the LORD a new song; *
sing to the LORD, all the whole earth.
Sing to the LORD and bless his Name; *
proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.
Declare his glory among the nations *
and his wonders among all peoples.
For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; *
he is more to be feared than all gods.
As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; *
but it is the LORD who made the heavens.

Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence! *

 Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!

Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples; *

 ascribe to the LORD honor and power.

Ascribe to the LORD the honor due his Name; *

 bring offerings and come into his courts.

Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; *

 let the whole earth tremble before him.

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."

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.

Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy

 before the Lord when he comes, *

 when he comes to judge the earth.

He will judge the world with righteousness *

 and the peoples with his truth.

Second Reading

Titus 2:11-14

Reader: 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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Hymn

"Joy to the World"

Hymnal #100

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
 People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Gospel Reading

Luke 2:1-20

Celebrant: 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.

Sermon

The Rev. Haydie LeCorbeiller

The Nicene Creed

All: We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Leader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

People: Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Leader: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

People: Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Leader: Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

People: Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Leader: Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, especially those on our parish prayer list, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

People: Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Leader: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

People: Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Leader: We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

People: Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Celebrant: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence

All: Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.*

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

*All are welcome to receive Holy Communion, and gluten free wafers
are available upon request.*

*If you do not want to share in communion but would like a blessing, please join
the line and cross your arms across your chest when you come to the priest.*

*If you would like to share in the bread but not the wine, you may cross your arms across
your chest when you come to the minister with the wine.*

The Holy Communion

Offertory

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Anthem

"The First Noel"

arr. By Dan Forrest

The congregation joins in on the last verse.

Then let us all with one accord,
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord;
That hath made heaven and earth of nought,
And with his blood mankind hath brought.

Doxology*Hymnal 380, 3rd verse*

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.

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

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. Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children. 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

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

Setting: From *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

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.

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." 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:

All: 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.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

Trent Clegg

Our Fa-ther, who art in hea-ven, hal-low-ed be thy Name, thy king-dom
come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in hea-ven. Give us this day our dai-ly bread. And for-
give us our tres-pas-ses, as we for-give those who tres-pass a-against us. And
lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - li - ver us from e - vil. For
thine is the king-dom, and the po-wer, and the glo-ry, for - e - ver. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread

Hymn # S-164

Je-sus, Lamb of God: have mer-cy on us.
Je-sus, bear-er of our sins: have mer-cy on us.
Je-sus, re-deem-er, re-deem-er of the world:
give us your peace, give us your peace.

Setting: From *Deutsche Messe*; Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

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

Celebrant: For and with those who are joining us online, we pray:

All: God of infinite mercy, we thank you for Jesus our Savior, who feeds us and gives us eternal life. Though those praying at home cannot consume the gifts of bread and wine, we thank you that we share the sacrament of Christ's presence, the forgiveness of sins, and all other benefits of Christ's passion. Grant that we may continue forever in the risen life of our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, now and forever.

The Communion

Hymn "Away in a Manger"

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 nigh.
and fit us for hea - ven to live with thee there.

Words: Traditional carol
Music: *Cradle Song*, melody William James Kirkpatrick (1838-1921)

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"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Hymnal # 79, v. 1-3, 5

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 mort - als 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 oncemore.
 5 O come to us, a - bide with us, our Lord Em - man - u - ell!

Words: Phillips Brooks (1835-1893)
 Music: St. Louis, Lewis H. Redner (1831-1908)

CMD

“Silent Night”

Hymnal #111

Peacefully ♩ = 80-100

1. Si - lent night! Ho - ly night! All is calm, all is bright
2. Si - lent night! Ho - ly night! Shep-herds quake at the sight!
3. Si - lent night! Ho - ly night! Son of God, love's pure light

Round yon vir - gin moth-er and Child. Ho - ly In-fant, so ten - der and mild,
Glo - ries stream from heav - en a - far; Heav'n-ly hosts sing Al - le - lu - ia!
Ra - diant beams from thy ho-ly face, With the dawn of re-deem - ing grace,

Sleep in heav - en - ly peace; Sleep in heav - en - ly peace.
Christ, the Sav - ior, is born! Christ, the Sav - ior, is born!
Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth; Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth.

*Text: Joseph Mohr, 1792–1848; trans. by John F. Young, 1820–1885
Music: Franz Gruber, 1787–1863*

Luke 2:7–14
Alma 7:10–12

Post Communion Prayer

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.

The Blessing

Hymn

"Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"

CHARLES WESLEY, 1707-1788
Alt. by GEORGE WHITEFIELD, 1714-1770

MENDELSSOHN 77.77.D. with Refrain
FELIX MENDELSSOHN, 1809-1847
Adapt. by WILLIAM H. CUMMINGS, 1831-1915



The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia.
People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

*Thank you for worshiping with us at
Trinity Episcopal Church*

POINSETTIA MEMORIALS AND THANKSGIVINGS

Diane Bilyeu in memory of loved ones

Catherine Buttrick in memory of Linda Hill

Rita Haggardt in thanksgiving of all my blessings

Miffy Lane in memory of Trish Grace

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Celebrant & Homilist

The Rev. Haydie LeCorbeiller

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Geoffrey Friedley, Angela Young

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Accompanist

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