

# Holy Eucharist Rite II



**4pm Saturday, January 2, 2021  
& 10am Sunday, January 3, 2021**  
**The Second Sunday after Christmas**

## **Worship at St. Luke's on the Hill**

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## **The Liturgy of the Word (Rite II)**

### **Opening Hymn**

**Hark the Herald 87**

*The People stand.* (Saturday evening... See Worship Booklet for music)

### **The Acclamation**

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*Celebrant* Blessed be God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

### **The Collect for Purity**

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### **The Collect of the Day**

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

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-el!  
 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!

## The First Lesson

## Jeremiah 31:7-14

Thus says the Lord: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel."

See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Hear the word of the Lord, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock." For the Lord has ransomed Jacob and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the Lord, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again. Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance,

and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty, says the Lord.

*Reader: The Word of the Lord.*

*People: Thanks be to God.*

### **Psalm 84:1-8**

1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! \*

My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;  
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

2 The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she  
may lay her young; \*

by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! \* they will always be praising you.

4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! \*  
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

5 Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, \*  
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

6 They will climb from height to height, \*  
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.

7 Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; \* hearken, O God of Jacob.

8 Behold our defender, O God; \* and look upon the face of your Anointed.

### **The Second Lesson**

### **Ephesians 1:3-6,15-19a**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe.

*Reader: The Word of the Lord.*

*People: Thanks be to God.*

*The People stand.*

### **Gradual Hymn**

## The Gospel

## Matthew 2:1-12

**Deacon:** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

“And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.”

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

**Deacon:** The Gospel of the Lord. **People:** Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## The Sermon

**The Nicene Creed**

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*The People Stand.*

**The Prayers of the People – Form 4**

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**Response:** Lord, hear our prayer.

**Confession and Absolution**

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*The People kneel.*

**The Peace**

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**Offertory Hymn**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

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**Sanctus**

**Eucharistic Prayer A**

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*The People stand or kneel.*

**The Lord's Prayer**

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**Breaking of the Bread**

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**Communion Hymn**

**The Prayer after Communion**

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*The People kneel.*

**The Blessing**

**The Dismissal**

Angels We Have Heard on High 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.

Words: French carol; tr. James Chadwick (1813-1882), alt.  
 Music: Gloria, French carol; arr. Edward Shippen Barnes (1887-1958)

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**Weekly Announcements**

*Please turn off all cell phones.*

**Mon. January 4 – Martha’s Guild**  
 will be meeting at 4:30pm.

**Sun. January 31 – Annual Church Meeting**  
 at 11:30am.

Assigned Giving Envelopes are ready to be picked up.  
 Thank you for your stewardship.

**Food Pantry –Items needed:** Peanut butter & jelly, Soup, Sauce, Tuna or canned chicken, Coffee, Oatmeal.

Priscilla Shirer  
**one**  
 in a million

**7-week Ladies Zoom Study**  
 Beginning Jan 7 at 7pm  
**One in a Million**  
 with Pricilla Shirer

All ladies are invited to join Sharon King and Deacon Lynne for an exciting 7-week zoom video Bible study Thursday evenings 7:00-8:30.

This dynamic study is designed to help us to break through the barriers that often keep us from experiencing a rich and abundant relationship with God as we learn to better hear His voice. Participants will need a workbook which will give you daily thoughts to ponder and learn from so please contact Deacon Lynne so books can be ordered. [dcnlyne@gmail.com](mailto:dcnlyne@gmail.com)

### Re-entry Protocol

**All services in the Sanctuary** - Please wear a mask while inside & for the entire service.

- Masks are recommended for ages 2 & older
- Contact information will be requested from visitors
- Services will be Simulcast/Broadcast to Facebook & 89.5FM
- Nursery is available for parents use.
- Dress appropriately as windows may be slightly opened at times for air circulation.

Additional ushers are needed, please contact Tara if you can help.

#### Today - 4pm Sat

**1<sup>st</sup> Reader:** Cathy Haig  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Reader:** Alison Crocker

#### Next week...

**1<sup>st</sup> Reader:** Dhiana Gould  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Reader:** Paulette Sardi

#### Today - 10am Sun

**1<sup>st</sup> Reader:** Liz Day  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Reader:** Cathy Haig

#### Next week...

**1<sup>st</sup> Reader:** Rich Marion  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Reader:** Jim Prastio

**Loose Plate Offering today/1<sup>st</sup> Sunday  
goes toward Fr Dave's Discretionary Fund.**

**If anyone needs pastoral help, please call either  
Fr. Dave or Deacon Lynne.**

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