

Christ Episcopal Church
The Holy Eucharist: Rite II
The Second Sunday after Christmas
January 5, 2020

Processional Hymn

Hymnal 112

The Word of God

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit BCP 355
And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. AMEN.

Officiant:

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.*

Angels we have heard on high

Hymnal 96 v1

The Collect of the Day

BCP 212

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.*

A reading from 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.

Please respond after each lesson with "Thanks be to God"

Psalm 84 *Quam dilecta!* BCP 707

- 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.

- [9 For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in
my own room, *
and to stand at the threshold of the house of my
God
than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.
10 For the LORD God is both sun and shield; *
he will give grace and glory;
11 No good thing will the LORD withhold *
from those who walk with integrity.
12 O LORD of hosts, *
happy are they who put their trust in you!]

A reading from Paul's letter to the 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.

The Gradual

Hymnal 128 v1

The Gospel of Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

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

The people respond: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

After the wise men had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him." Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, "Out of Egypt I have called my son."

When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead." Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, "He will be called a Nazorean."

Officiant: The Gospel of our Lord

The people respond: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Words of Faith

The Rev. Dan Buchin

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

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.

Preface to Prayers

The Prayers of the People

The following form of Prayers of the People is used at New Song for Christmas:

Leader

God of the One who has come, your Star rises in our hearts as we make our own journey to greet you. Bring us to the humility of the stable as we join our voices in prayer.

For the church. For your people gathered here in joy, and for those gathered throughout the world. Remind us of what it means to be faithful, even as Mary offered her womb, Joseph, the strength of his protection, and the shepherds their awe and wonder. *(Silence)*

God of hope and promise,
We gather to greet you in love.

For the world. For our nation and for all nations. Keep us mindful that the hopes and fears of all time, of all hearts, and of all spirits are met in You, and that you are Emmanuel, God with us.
(Silence)

God of hope and promise,
We gather to greet you in love.

For this community. Let the light of your star illumine the shadows that hide the needs of those around us. Bring us your vision of justice and the courage to live it; the willingness to learn the names of those in need, and the compassion to respond as we discover you in each other. *(Silence)*

God of hope and promise,
We gather to greet you in love.

For ourselves. Open us ever more deeply to your Presence. Open our eyes to see by the stable lamp that we are created in your own image. Open our ears to hear the stars that bend their voices, and blend our voices with the stones that cry in

praise of you. *(Silence)*

God of hope and promise,
We gather to greet you in love.

For our children and for children everywhere. That even as we greet the Holy Child, we may know the holy and joyous gift of their presence in our lives, and that we may come to know the Truth of your Love together. *(Silence)*

God of hope and promise,
We gather to greet you in love.

For those who suffer. Show them, through us, the brightness of your Star, the promise of your presence, and the Hope of your healing, that they may know, in special ways, grace upon grace.
(Silence)

God of hope and promise,
We gather to greet you in love.

For those who have died. We rejoice that because of your birth, they now live in perfect joy, their spirit voices praising your name and reminding us that the absence we know is, by your grace, made full and holy. *(Silence)*

God of hope and promise,
With all your saints, we praise you.

The Collect at the Prayers

Confession of Sin

BCP 360

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister 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.

The Priest stands and says

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 Passing of the Peace BCP 360

All stand. The Celebrant says to the People:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Announcements

Offertory LEVAS 24
Offertory Hymn Hymnal 380 v3

The Bread and the Wine

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer C BCP 369

The people remain standing.

The Celebrant faces them and says

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.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of
glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of
interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses,
and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race,
and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us
the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed
your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets
and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the
fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to
fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly
chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all
those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to
proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus

Hymnal S-129

Celebrant and People

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.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
*We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.*

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *AMEN.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

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 BCP 364

Officiant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People: *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!*

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

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 baptized persons are welcome at the altar. If you'd rather receive a blessing, come to the altar and cross your arms.)

Communion Hymn Hymnal 84

Post-Communion Prayer BCP 365

After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray.
Celebrant and People

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

Recessional Hymn Hymnal 93

Dismissal BCP 366

ASSISTING with today's service:

Lector: Todd Johnson

UPCOMING SERVICES:

1/12 Holy Eucharist Rite II, The Rev Dan Buchin officiating

1/19 Holy Eucharist Rite II, The Rev Dan Buchin officiating

1/26 Morning Prayer Rite I, Todd Johnson officiating

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Today, Un-hanging of the greens, and brunch

1/9 Audrey Johnson's birthday

1/9-1/11 Ministry Retreat, St Francis Retreat Center, Dewitt

1/19 Vestry meeting, following the Liturgy & Fellowship

1/31 Sue Burke's birthday

2/8 The Consecration of Bishop The Rev. Dr. Bonnie Perry, the
Ford Community & Performing Arts Center, Dearborn

SAINTS CELEBRATED THIS WEEK:

COMMON PRAYERS WITH UNCOMMON RESULTS THIS WEEK
FOR:

CONTINUED PRAYERS: Bob Welke; Bobbie; Sue Burke; Ed
Johnson; Joyce Johnson; Matthew Linden; Bob Bird; Donna
Tomecek-Schiller; Jamie & Marvin; Ridge; Jill Holden; Julie
Wilkins; John; Donna Hanes; Kevin Cuyler; Chris Smith; Nancy
Buchin; Harriet Woodby; Scott Johnson; Melissa Berger; Kristin
& Matthew; Kathy Hunter; Sam & Cam; Jordan; a woman with
cancer; Sharon & family; Steven Stemkowski; Darren Baker;
Juan Perez; Frank Leahey; Lloyd, suffering from lung cancer;
Caty Smith; Dan Buchin; Jim Barancin, suffering from prostate
cancer; Antony Scioly; Single mom with health issues, whose
boyfriend is in the Army; Jon; Patricia Stricker; Lisa Hinskey's
family; Jennifer; Sabrina & Kalee; Ms. Butler; total surrender
PRAYERS FOR the unemployed, homeless & disenfranchised
IN HARM'S WAY: our service men & women, especially those
suffering from PTSD

CYCLE OF PRAYER: Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury;
Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop; Wendell Gibbs, our Bishop;
Bonnie Perry, our Bishop-Elect; Moises Quezada Mota, Bishop of
the Diocese of the Dominican Republic; Elizabeth Eaton, ELCA
Presiding Bishop; Donald P Kreiss, ELCA Bishop, SE Michigan
Synod; Craig A Satterlee, ELCA Bishop, NW Lower Michigan
Synod; our Diocesan retired community household; Our
Diocesan household; Grace Church, Mt Clemens; St Michael's,
San Cristobal, DR; St Antony of Padua, Carreton, DR
PRAYERS FOR: refugees from all countries, especially the
children

THOSE INVOLVED IN MINISTRY: pray for discernment
UN-HANGING OF THE GREENS will take place after the service
today, followed by a brunch; stay and enjoy the fellowship!

We welcome you to Christ Church and invite you to join us for refreshments in the parish hall immediately following the service.

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