



St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church

Christmas Eve

December 24, 2020

The Holy Eucharist

STREAMING ON FACEBOOK LIVE AT 5 P.M.

Prelude

"Still, Still, Still"

*Austrian Melody*

Brendan Daly, soloist

"What Child Is This?"

*Greensleeves*

Arrangement by Alvan Van Der Beek, Jon Schmidt, and Steven Sharp Nelson  
Michael Roberts, cello

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST - 5 P.M.

Hymn 83

O come all ye faithful

*Adeste fidelis*

Verses 1-3, 6

Brendan Daly, soloist

1 O come, all ye faith-ful, 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 sleep-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 lol lie 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.

6 Yea, Lord, we greet thee,  
 born this happy morning;  
 Jesus, to thee be glory given;  
 Word of the Father,  
 now in flesh appearing;

*Refrain*

*Celebrant* The glory of the Lord has been revealed.

*People* **And we beheld his glory.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Most merciful and loving God, you have made this night holy by the incarnation of your Son Jesus Christ, and by the child-bearing of the Blessed Virgin Mary: Grant that we your people may enter with joy into the celebration of this night, and may also rejoice for ever as your adopted sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Hymn**

Hark! The herald angels sing  
Brendan Daly, soloist

*Mendelssohn*



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-ell  
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!

**Collect for Christmas Eve** *Celebrant and People*

God of every creature, whose Son was born for all the world; we praise you for the shepherds who lived between the earth and sky, who with animals and angels, greeted the Word made flesh: may we share their urgency to meet the promised child with wonder and with joy; through Jesus Christ, who binds all things together. Amen.

**The First Lesson**

**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.

*Lector*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm** *said together*

**Psalm 98**

Sing to the Lord a new song,  
for the Lord has done marvelous things.  
God's right hand and holy arm  
have won the victory.

The Lord has declared victory,  
and has shown righteousness in the sight of the nations.  
The Lord has remembered mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel.  
All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands;  
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.  
Sing praises to the Lord with the harp  
with the harp and the sound of melody.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn  
make a joyful noise before the Lord our Ruler.  
Let the sea roar, and all that is in it,  
the lands and those who dwell therein.

Let the rivers clap their hands;  
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, who comes to judge the earth.  
The Lord will judge the world with righteousness,  
and the peoples with equity.

**The Second Lesson**

**Titus 2:11-14**

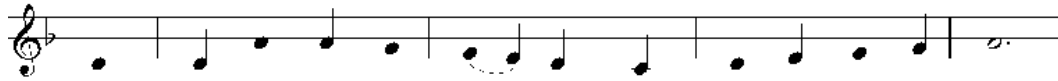
The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. 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.

*Lector*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**



1 God rest you mer - ry, gen - tle - men, let noth - ing you dis - may;  
2 From God our heav - en - ly Fa - ther a bless - ed an - gel came  
3 "Fear not, then," said the an - gel, "Let noth - ing you af - fright;  
4 Now to the Lord sing prais - es, all you with - in this place,



re - mem - ber Christ our Sa - vior was born on Christ - mas Day,  
and un - to cer - tain shep - herds brought tid - ings of the same;  
this day is born a Sa - vior of a pure vir - gin bright,  
and with true love and char - i - ty each o - ther now em - brace;



to save us all from Sa - tan's power when we were gone a - stray.  
How that in Beth - le - hem was born the Son of God by name.  
to free all those who trust in him from Sa - tan's power and might."  
this ho - ly tide of Christ - mas doth bring re - deem - ing grace.



*Refrain*  
O tid - ings of com - fort and joy, com - fort and



joy; O tid - ings of com - fort and joy!

## The Gospel

## Luke 2:1-20 (King James Version)

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be taxed. (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.) And all went to be taxed, every one into their own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:) to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn. And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; you shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, 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, and on earth peace, good will toward all. And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another. Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord has made known unto us. And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them

concerning this child. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

Priest        The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **Sermon**

**The Reverend Patricia Templeton**

### **The Nicene Creed**

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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.

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, who with the Father  
and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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

### **Christmas Prayers of the People**

Holy Child of Bethlehem, angels proclaimed your birth to shepherds at their labors; we pray for all people in their daily life and work, for those called to shepherd your people, and for those who carry your love into the world. May we see your glory in the world around us, and like the shepherds, may we bear witness to your presence among us.

Lord, in your mercy,

***Hear our prayer.***

Holy Child of Bethlehem, born in a stable when your parents found no room in the inn, we pray for all who are without shelter, for all who know poverty, and for all who offer even what little they have to meet the needs of others.

Lord, in your mercy,

***Hear our prayer.***

Holy Child of Bethlehem, welcomed into your mother's loving arms, we pray for all who are lost and alone, who have no arms to hold them; for those who are sick or in need, who depend upon loving arms to care for them; for those whose arms are now empty, who mourn loved ones gone, and for those who are no longer with us but have been welcomed into your loving arms, especially those on our borders.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Holy Child of Bethlehem, in whom God was pleased to dwell, help us, we pray, to see the divine image in people everywhere, and to honor the divine image in ourselves. Forgive us where we have sinned, strengthen us where we are weak, heal us where we are blind.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Holy Child of Bethlehem, you were born into our world, that we might be reborn into eternal life. May we daily live as children of God through your love, as you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

### **The Peace**

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

*People*         **And also with you.**

### **Announcements**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### **Offertory Anthem**

*Jesus, Jesus, Rest Your Head*

American Folk Song

Arrangement by William P. Gorton

St. Dunstan's Choir featuring guest soloists Esther Morgan-Ellis, Grace Hauser, Joseph Henry Monti, Haley Johnson, Brendan Daly, Quinn Changus, and Kerren Berz, violin.

*Jesus, Jesus, rest your head,  
You have got a manger bed.*

*All the evil folk on earth  
Sleep in feathers at their birth.*

*Jesus, Jesus, rest your head,  
You have got a manger bed.*

*Have you heard about our Jesus?  
Have you heard about his fate?  
How his mother went to the stable  
On that Christmas Eve so late?*

*Winds were blowing, cows were lowing,  
Stars were glowing, glowing, glowing.*

*Jesus, Jesus, rest your head,  
You have got a manger bed.*

*To the manger came the wise men,  
Bringing things from him and yon,  
For the mother and the father,  
And the blessed little Son.*

*Shepherds left their fields and flocks and  
Sat beside the ass and ox.*

*Jesus, Jesus, rest your head,  
You have got a manger bed.*

*All the evil folk on earth  
Sleep in feathers at their birth.*

*Jesus, Jesus, rest your head,  
You have got a manger bed.*

## The Great Thanksgiving – Eucharist Prayer B

*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.**

*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 say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,**

**We proclaim his resurrection,**

**We await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Mary, Dunstan, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,



## The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Faithful God,  
in the wonder of your wisdom and love  
you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of angels,  
and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life.  
Though we are not consuming these gifts of bread and wine,  
we thank you that we have received the sacrament  
of Christ's presence,  
the forgiveness of sins, and all other benefits of Christ's passion.  
By the power of the Holy Spirit,  
may we embody your desire  
and be renewed for your service,  
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia!**

## The Communion of the People

The gifts of God for the people of God.

### Carol at Communion

Away in a manger, no crib for his bed  
Esther Morgan-Ellis, soloist

*Cradle Song*



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.

**Prayer after Communion** *Celebrant and People*

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**The Christmas Blessing**

The blessing of God,  
whose love created  
light and darkness,  
mystery and wonder,  
be with you this day.

The blessing of God,  
whose love entered this world  
vulnerable, naked, and helpless,  
be with you always.

The blessing of God,  
whose love burns in your heart,  
transforming your life,  
send you into the world  
to be the incarnation of God's love for others. Amen.

**Hymn**

Silent night, holy night  
Kerren Berz, violin, Michael Roberts, cello  
*On following page*

*Stille Nacht*

**The Dismissal**  
**Response**

***Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!***

**Postlude**

***"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice"***  
Setting by Paul Laubengayer

*In Dulci Jubilo*



Si - lent night, ho - ly night, all is calm,  
Si - lent night, ho - ly night, shep - herds quake  
Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Son of God,

all is bright round yon vir - gin mo - ther and child.  
at the sight, glo - ries stream from hea - ven a - far,  
love's pure light ra - diant beams from thy ho - ly face,

Ho - ly in - fant, so ten - der and mild, sleep in hea - ven - ly  
heaven - ly hosts sing al - le - lu - ia; Christ, the Sa - vior, is  
with the dawn of re - deem - ing grace, Je - sus, Lord, at thy

peace. Sleep in hea - ven - ly peace.  
born! Christ, the Sa - vior, is born!  
birth. Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth.

## Prayers

**Parishioners: Alan Toney; Susan Glenz-Pierce; Lynn Hood; Bob Wolfson; and Betty Whittier.**

**Family: Amanda Czyzewski**, daughter, **Tom Hubbard**, uncle of Andrea Patten-Weerakoon; and **Gloria DeSilva**, cousin of Anil Weerakoon; **Winnie Mark**, grandmother of Connor Mark; **Jackson Westphal**, nephew of Lori Westphal; **Jessica Longino Carrillo**, family of Bob Longino; **Jeannette Davis**, sister-in-law of Priscilla Davis; **Pete Webb**, brother of Hulan Webb; **Vincent Lafitte**; **Capt. Richard Murphy**, nephew of Christine & Jim Bird; **Allen Ekmark**, family of Heather Robertson; **Mary Jane Hobbs**, sister of Sara Thomas; **Barbara Martello**, niece of Mimi Gold; **Maude Harris**, cousin of Gloria Nelson; **Beth Zimmerman**, mother of Justin Camara, **Chaz McIntyre**, nephew of Martha O'Brien; **Deni Omundson & Gary Dorsey**, **Sydney Cortez & Family**, relatives of Jeanne & Josh Taylor; **Tammy Hauser**, sister-in-law of Steve and Susan Hauser; **Ben Jennings**, nephew of Nancy Knight Latimore; **Arvis Morris**, mother, and **Katy Greenawalt**, sister of Lee Morris; **Deborah Smith**, wife of Leon Smith.

**Friends: Lou Craig**, (Bob Longino); **Phil & Sharon Joseph & family**, (Sandra Dobbs); **Brad Johnson** (Priscilla Davis); **Sarah Dugas**, (Lori Westphal); **Sara Jane Gower** (Lindsey Reece); **Kirby Husbands**, (Hulan Webb); **The Bradshaw Family**, **Janet Cobb** (Claudia Gimson); **Sherrel Howard**, (Mimi Gold); **The Younus Family**, (Nancy & Jonathan Edman); **Lisa Bell**, **Barbara & Mark Silay**, **Jane Boyd**, **Miriam & Santana Herrera**, **Stella & Lee Hurst**, **David Williams**, **Christina & Francesco Ianni**, **Louise Delk**, **Pat Buffington**, **Frances Cortez**, (Rhea Hannah); **Benjamin Banas**, (Cathy Leake); **Marilyn McCroskey**, (Alan Toney); **Judy**, (David Abner); **Elaine Furman**, (Deborah Reece); **Cathy & Guy Frazee**, **Marty Rubin**, (Sallie Smith); **Lenay Horten**, **Gregory Olvey**, **Myrtle Alexander**, (Gloria Nelson); **Gary & Karen Wright**, **Rose & Ava Faison**, **Michellene Tipton**, **Debbie Bogard**, **James Bogard**, (Jeanne and Josh Taylor).

For those who have died, remembering especially **Christopher (Cody) Smith**, father of Cas and Gabe Smith, and **Reid Arnold**, cousin of Tricia Templeton.

We give thanks for our parish community, especially **John Chandler & Beth Tanis**; **Elizabeth Colt**; **Max Changus & Lori Westphal** and **Quinn & Alexander Changus**; and **Sherri Crawford**.

I invite your prayers for health care workers on the front lines of battling the Coronavirus, especially **Deb Dee**, **John Lloyd**, **Lauren Gensler**, **Debbie Leake**, **Rhonda Leake**, and **Audra Smith**.

We invite you to use this prayer list for your personal prayers. St. Dunstan's Julian of Norwich chapter of The Daughters of the King prays daily for all on the prayer list.

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. Amen.