

St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church

CHRISTMAS LESSONS AND CAROLS

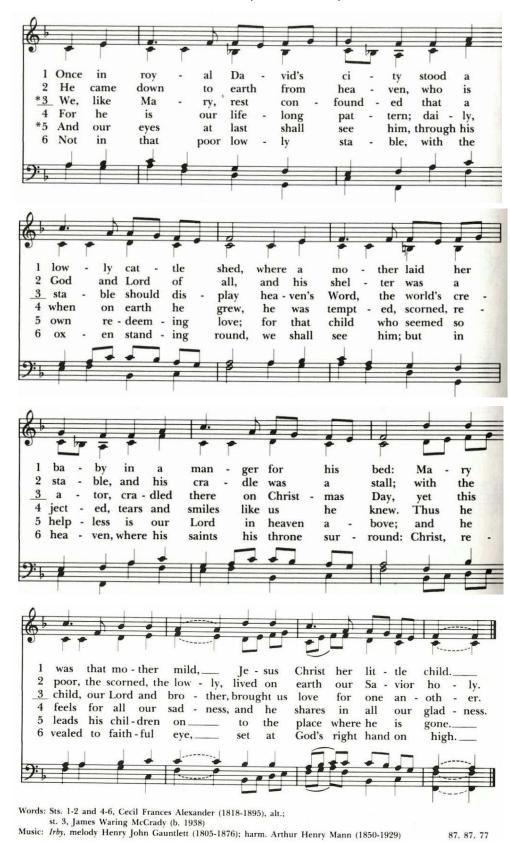
THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS
December 26, 2021

The Holy Eucharist

Prelude

Ave Maria

Franz Schubert (1797-1828) Arr. Dan Coates



REMAINING HYMNS WILL BE AT THE END OF THE BULLETIN - Beginning on page 8

The Bidding Prayer

Dear people of God: In this Christmas season let is be our duty and delight to hear again the message of the angels, to go to Bethlehem, and see the Son of God lying in a manger.

Let us hear again from Holy Scripture the tale of God's loving purpose from the time of our rebellion against him until the glorious redemption brought us by this holy Child; and let us make this place glad with our carols of praise.

But first, let us pray for the needs of the whole world, for all God's people, for peace and justice, for the mission of the Church, and for goodwill among all people.

And because Jesus particularly loves them, let us remember in his name the poor and helpless, the cold, the hungry and oppressed, the sick and those who mourn, the lonely and unloved, the aged and little children, as well as all those who do not know and love our Lord Jesus Christ.

Finally, let us remember all those who rejoice with us, but upon another shore and in a greater light, that multitude which no one can number, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, and with whom, in this Lord Jesus, we for evermore are one. **Amen.**

The First Lesson Luke tells of the birth of Jesus.

Luke 2:1-7

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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

(Hymns are found at the end of the bulletin)

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The Second Lesson

Hymn 82

The Shepherds go to the manger.

Of the Father's love begotten

Luke 2:8-16

Divinum mysterium

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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

The Third Lesson

The wise men are led by the star to Jesus.

Matthew 2:1-12

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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 92 On this day Personent hodie

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The Fourth Lesson

The Gospel of John unfolds the mystery of the Incarnation

John 1:1-14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

Gesù bambino "The Infant Jesus"

Music by Pietro A Yon Arr. Dan Coates

Hymn 110 The snow lay on the ground (*Page 10*)

Venite adoremus

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic 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.

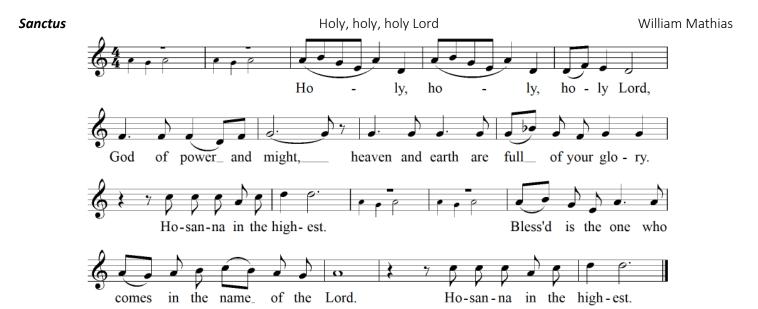
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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 sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



The people stand or kneel.

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 for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread: Sung by all

St. Louis

How silently, how silently, the wondrous gift is given!

So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of his heaven.

No ear may hear his coming, but in this world of sin,

Where meek souls will receive him, still the dear Christ enters in.

The Communion of the People All people are invited to receive Communion.

 Communion Anthem
 "Duermete, Niño Lindo"
 A la ru

 Jessie Leyden, soloist
 Hispanic folk song

 Lea Marris, quitar
 Trans, John D. Robb (1803)

Lee Morris, guitar Trans. John D. Robb (1892)

Hymn at Communion 101 Away in a manger *Cradle Song*

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Prayer after Communion Celebrant and People

When the song of the angels is stilled,

When the star in the sky is gone,

When the king and princes are home,

When the shepherds are back with their flocks,

The work of Christmas begins:

To find the lost,

To heal the broken,

To feed the hungry,

To release the prisoner,

To rebuild the nations,

To bring peace among others,

To make music in the heart. 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.

Closing Hymn 99

Go tell it on the mountain (Page 11)

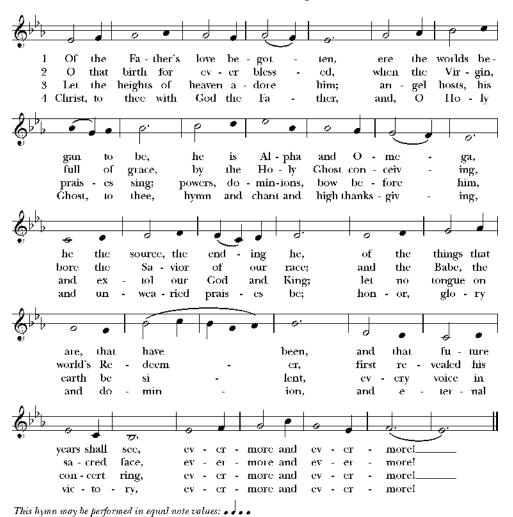
Go Tell It on the Mountain

The Dismissal

Response

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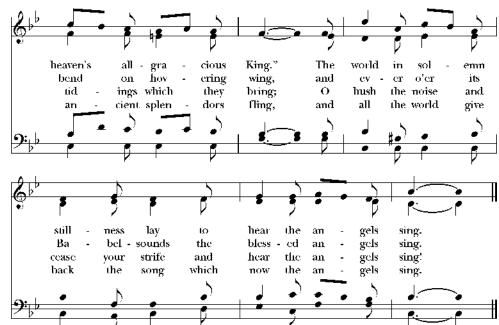
Postlude Fanfare on *In Dulci Jubilo* Arr. Don M. Dicie



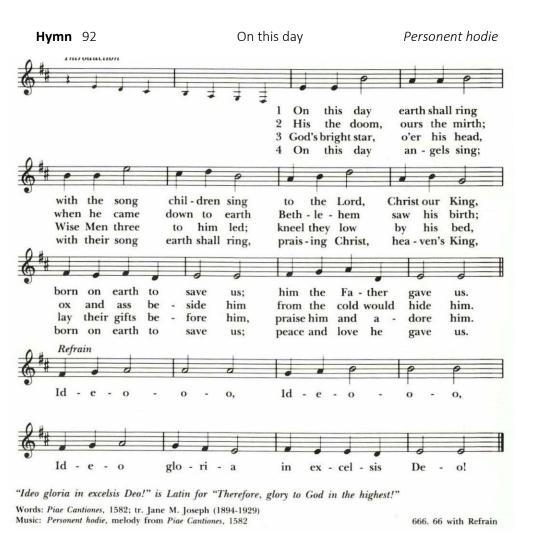
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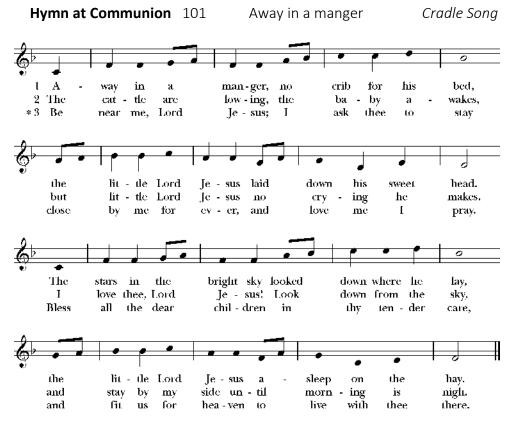


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Ministry Schedule		
	December 26th	January 2nd
Vestry on Duty	Lynn Hood	Bruce Lafitte
Lay Reader	Lynn Hood	Luis Ottley
Lector – 1st Lesson	Vivian Siggers	Bruce Lafitte
Lector – 2nd Lesson	Shirley Morgan	Vivian Siggers
Lector – 3rd Lesson	Margaret Michaelides	~
Lector – 4th Lesson	Luis Ottley	~
Usher	Wayne Hood	Gwen McAlpine & Paul Zimmer
Altar Guild	Cathy Leake / Erik Kleven	Erik Kleven & Mary Jane Hannah
Flower Guild	St. Dunstan's Flower Guild	St. Dunstan's Flower Guild

Happy Anniversary

Tricia Templeton & Joe Monti December 29

Happy Birthday

Jacqueline Springer December 25 Heather Richardson December 31

Prayers

Parishioners: Lucy Kaltenbach; Bessie Holland; Donna Thomas; John Maloney; Susan Glenz-Pierce; and Beth Zimmerman.

Family: Doug Murphy, son-in-law of Claudia Gimson; Emily Hooks, sister of Joe Monti; Clare Richardson, sister-in-law of Penny France; Danny Woodard, son of Sheila Woodard; Linda Johnson, sister of Vivian Siggers; Deborah Ellis-Williams, mother of Jackie O'Connell; Matthew Michaelides, son of Margaret Michaelides; Fred Gimson, uncle of John Gimson; Aaron Atkinson, family of Bob Longino; Brenda Patten, mother, of Andrea Patten-Weerakoon; Gloria DeSilva, cousin of Anil Weerakoon; The Adams Family; Nick Raj; The Deater Family, family of Mary Jane Hannah; Martha Springer, mother of Randy Springer; Matt Stanhope, nephew of Martha O'Brien; Priscilla Williams, sister of Bessie Holland; Hilary Foster, niece of Claudia Gimson; Jeannette Davis, sister-in-law of Priscilla Davis; Pete Webb, brother of Hulan Webb; Vincent Lafitte; Mary Jane Hobbs, sister of Sara Thomas; Barbara Martello, niece of Mimi Gold; Deni Omundson & Gary Dorsey, Sydney Cortez & Family, relatives of Jeanne & Josh Taylor; Tammy Hauser, sister-in-law of Steve and Susan Hauser; Arvis Morris, mother, and Katy Greenawalt, sister of Lee Morris; Deborah Smith, wife of Leon Smith.

Friends: The Snider & Poll Families (Jackie & Mark O'Connell); Cas Smith (Jace Kaltenbach); The Ginden Family, Ellen, The Younus Family, (Nancy & Jonathan Edman); Anne Henry, Tim Embry, Irmgard Tatic, (Davis Family); Sam Sterling Mitchell, (Sandra & Joe Dobbs); Bob Gabel, Pat Park & Rev. Canon Lynell Walker, Gladys Pfaff (Andrea Patten-Weerakoon & Anil Weerakoon); Imogen Gunn (Charis Bowling); S.J. Purdy, William Page, (Debbie Jones); Mike Carscaddon (Bob Longino); Sherrel Howard, (Mimi Gold); Sara Jane Gower (Lindsey Reece); Kirby Husbands, (Hulan Webb); Eric Copeland; Cliff Frierson; Jim Bass; The Green Family; Christina & Francesco Ianni, Pat Buffington, Frances Cortez, (Rhea Hannah); Benjamin Banas, (Cathy Leake); Marilyn McCroskey, Tammy McCullough, Michellene Tipton, Joshua Dowd, Debbie Bogard, James Bogard, (Jeanne and Josh Taylor).

We pray for those who have died, remembering especially, **Florence Deater**, family of Mary Jane Hannah. Φ We give thanks for our parish community, especially **Nancy Dillon; Sandra & Joe Dobbs; Mimi & Titu Doctor;** and **Nancy & Jonathan Edman.** Φ