



EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH

CHRISTMAS DAY
YEAR A

December 25, 2022
10:00 A.M.

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THE SANCTUARY AND
CHURCH ARE ADORNED
THROUGH GIFTS GIVEN

In memory of:

Marion and Edward Barrett
Dorothy and Anthony DePerrio
Jackie DePerrio
Anna Dalzell

The Castiglione Family

Andrea LaPointe

Dolores and Paul Miller

Given by:

Ed and Louise Barrett

Andy Castiglione

Frank Fleming

Amy Fredericks

Ted and Dorothy

John Gooley

Cynthia & Harold Segool

Terri Halliday

Michael David

Michael Lee

Charles & Betty

Anne Jackson

Jean Jackson

Ralph & Jean Scrima

Louis Scrima

Charles and Margaret Basile

Cathy McCarthy

Jimmy McCarthy

Rudie and Bagel

PRELUDE

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE WORD OF GOD

Please Stand

Celebrant Alleluia! I bring you good news of great joy for all people. To you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord

People **O come, let us adore him. Alleluia!**

Hymn Good Christian friends, rejoice

H82 #107

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Grace, mercy, and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you make us glad by the yearly festival of the birth of your only Son Jesus Christ: Grant that we, who joyfully receive him as our Redeemer, may with sure confidence behold him when he comes to be our Judge; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Song of Praise Angels we have heard on high

H82 #96

The First Reading

Isaiah 52:7-10

A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah:

How beautiful upon the mountains

are the feet of the messenger who announces peace,
who brings good news,
who announces salvation,
who says to Zion, "Your God reigns."
Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices,
together they sing for joy;
for in plain sight they see
the return of the LORD to Zion.
Break forth together into singing,
you ruins of Jerusalem;
for the LORD has comforted his people,
he has redeemed Jerusalem.
The LORD has bared his holy arm
before the eyes of all the nations;
and all the ends of the earth shall see
the salvation of our God.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

Angels, from the realms of glory

H82 #93

The Gospel

John 1:1-14

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John:
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Jonathan T. Eden

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: 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

Form III

Standing or kneeling. The Leader and People pray responsively

Leader Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
People **That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

We remember those who have asked for our prayers, especially Paul, Mary, Catherine, Michael, Parker, Sergio, Martha, Gail, Anne H, Patricia, Anne J, Marion, Barbara, Maureen, Edmond, Lucy, Rachael, Louise, Scott, Kathleen, and those we now name silently or aloud Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

We pray for those who have died, especially those we now name silently or aloud (*pause*). Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. (*pause*)

The Collect

Almighty God, you have given your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and to be born this day of a pure virgin: Grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; through our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom with you and the same Spirit be honor and glory, now and forever.
Amen.

The Peace

Priest The peace of Christ be always with you
People **And also with you.**

Announcements

Offertory Hymn

The angel Gabriel from heaven came

H82 #265

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant May God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up to God.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to our eternal God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

H82 #S125

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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 many 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.

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 Saint Joseph, Mary the Mother of our Lord, 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 forever.

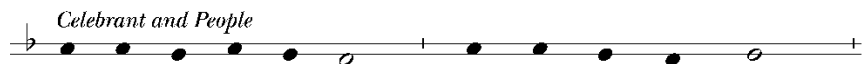
The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant

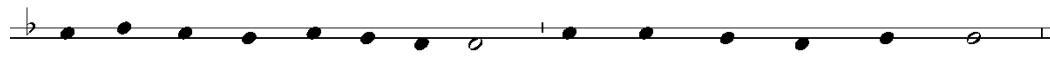


As our Sa - vior Christ has taught us, we now pray,


Celebrant and People



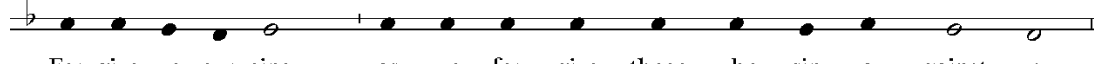
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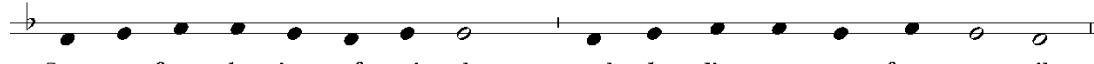
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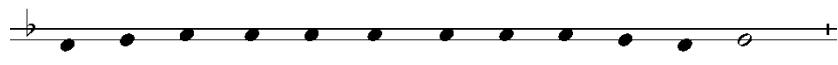
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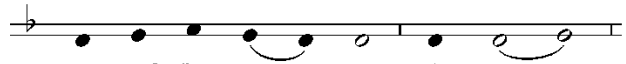
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.



Save us from the time of tri - al, and de - liv - er us from e - vil.



For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours,



now and for ev - er. A - men.

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

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

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO RECEIVE COMMUNION

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant

Let us pray.

All

Eternal God, by grace you accept us as living members of your Son Jesus Christ, and feed us with spiritual food in this sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace to do your work of reconciliation as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To Him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit may all creation sing hymns of thanks and praise. Amen.

Blessing

May Almighty God, by whose power our savior Jesus Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and free you from all sin. **Amen**

May Jesus Christ, whose coming in power and great glory is announced by angels and attended by shepherds, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love. **Amen.**

May the Holy Spirit, who was present at the dawning of creation and at the holy child's nativity, present us, holy and acceptable to God's kingdom, which is forever. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

Hymn

Joy to the world! The Lord is come

H82 #100

Dismissal

Celebrant

Go in peace to proclaim God's word made flesh. Alleluia, alleluia!

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Serving Today

Crucifer
Altar Guild
Lector
Gift Bearers

Organist

Terri Halliday
Terri Halliday
Anne Jackson
Natalie Thelen
Grant Thelen
Esther Kwok

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Seraiah Belfon

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