

**Christmas Day**  
**December 25, 2021 • 10:00 A.M.**



**Sunday Services**

8:00 A.M. - Holy Eucharist, Rite I  
9:00 A.M. – Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
11:00 A.M. – Morning Prayer, Rite I  
Holy Eucharist, Rite I  
(1st Sunday of each month)

**Weekday Services**

**Monday – Friday**

7:30 A.M. – Morning Prayer, Rite I  
6:00 P.M. – Evening Prayer, Rite I

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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.

*Luke 2:10, 11*

### Confession

*Officiant*

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

*Officiant and People together, all kneeling*

**Almighty and most merciful Father,  
we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,  
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our  
own hearts,**

**we have offended against thy holy laws,  
we have left undone those things which we ought to  
have done,  
and we have done those things which we ought not to  
have done.**

**But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,  
spare thou those who confess their faults,  
restore thou those who are penitent,  
according to thy promises declared unto mankind  
in Christ Jesus our Lord;  
and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,  
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,  
to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.**

*Officiant*

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

### Opening sentence and invitatory

*Officiant* O Lord, open thou our lips.

*People* **And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.**

*Officiant* The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us:

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

*Officiant* Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness

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

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*Venite Psalm 95:1-7; 96:9, 13*

O come, let us sing unto the Lord; \*  
let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.  
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, \*  
and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.  
For the Lord is a great God, \*  
and a great King above all gods.  
In his hand are all the corners of the earth, \*  
and the strength of the hills is his also.  
The sea is his and he made it, \*  
and his hands prepared the dry land.

O come, let us worship and fall down \*  
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.  
For he is the Lord our God, \*  
and we are the people of his pasture  
and the sheep of his hand.  
O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; \*  
let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth, \*  
and with righteousness to judge the world  
and the peoples with his truth.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

**Psalm 97**

*Dominus regnavit*

1 The Lord is King;  
let the earth rejoice; \*  
let the multitude of the isles be glad.

2 Clouds and darkness are round about him, \*  
righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.

3 A fire goes before him \*  
and burns up his enemies on every side.

4 His lightnings light up the world; \*  
the earth sees it and is afraid.

5 The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the Lord, \*  
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

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6 The heavens declare his righteousness, \*  
and all the peoples see his glory.

7 Confounded be all who worship carved images  
and delight in false gods! \*  
Bow down before him, all you gods.

8 Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, \*  
because of your judgments, O Lord.

9 For you are the Lord,  
most high over all the earth; \*  
you are exalted far above all gods.

10 The Lord loves those who hate evil; \*  
he preserves the lives of his saints  
and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.

11 Light has sprung up for the righteous, \*  
and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.

12 Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, \*  
and give thanks to his holy Name.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## The First Lesson

*Isaiah 62:6-12*

A Lesson from the Book of the prophet Isaiah

Upon your walls, O Jerusalem, I have posted sentinels;

all day and all night  
they shall never be silent.

You who remind the Lord,  
take no rest,

and give him no rest  
until he establishes Jerusalem  
and makes it renowned throughout the earth.

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The Lord has sworn by his right hand  
and by his mighty arm:

I will not again give your grain  
to be food for your enemies,

and foreigners shall not drink the wine  
for which you have labored;

but those who garner it shall eat it  
and praise the Lord,

and those who gather it shall drink it  
in my holy courts.

Go through, go through the gates,  
prepare the way for the people;  
build up, build up the highway,

clear it of stones,  
lift up an ensign over the peoples.

The Lord has proclaimed  
to the end of the earth:

Say to daughter Zion,  
"See, your salvation comes;

his reward is with him,  
and his recompense before him."

They shall be called, "The Holy People,  
The Redeemed of the Lord";

and you shall be called, "Sought Out,  
A City Not Forsaken."

Here endeth the Lesson

### ***Benedictus es, Domine***

**Blessed art thou, O Lord God of our fathers; \*  
praised and exalted above all for ever.**

**Blessed art thou for the Name of thy Majesty; \*  
praised and exalted above all for ever.**

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Blessed art thou in the temple of thy holiness; \*  
praised and exalted above all for ever.  
Blessed art thou that beholdest the depths,  
and dwellest between the Cherubim; \*  
praised and exalted above all for ever.  
Blessed art thou on the glorious throne of thy kingdom; \*  
praised and exalted above all for ever.  
Blessed art thou in the firmament of heaven; \*  
praised and exalted above all for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## The Second Lesson

*Titus 3:4-7*

A reading from the letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians

When the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. This Spirit he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Here endeth the Lesson

## *Jubilate Deo Psalm 100*

O be joyful in the Lord all ye lands; \*  
serve the Lord with gladness  
and come before his presence with a song.  
Be ye sure that the Lord he is God;  
it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves; \*  
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.  
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving  
and into his courts with praise; \*  
be thankful unto him and speak good of his Name.  
For the Lord is gracious;  
his mercy is everlasting; \*  
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

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as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

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## The Apostles' Creed

*Officiant and People together, all standing*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.  
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## The Prayers

*The people stand or kneel*

*Officiant*        The Lord be with you.

*People*            **And with thy spirit.**

*Officiant*        Let us pray.

*Officiant and People*

**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.**

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### Suffrages A

V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

R. **And grant us thy salvation.**

V. Endue thy ministers with righteousness;

R. **And make thy chosen people joyful.**

V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

R. **For only in thee can we live in safety.**

V. Lord, keep this nation under thy care;

R. **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

V. Let thy way be known upon earth;

R. **Thy saving health among all nations.**

∇. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

R. **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

∇. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

R. **And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.**

### Intercessions

#### Collect of the Day

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 for ever. **Amen.**

#### A Collect for Sundays

O God, who makest us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of thy Son our Lord: Grant us this day such blessing through our worship of thee, that the days to come may be spent in thy favor; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

#### A Collect for Mission

Lord Jesus Christ, who didst stretch out thine arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of thy saving embrace: So clothe us in thy Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know thee to the knowledge and love of thee; for the honor of thy Name. **Amen.**

#### The General Thanksgiving

*Officiant and People:*

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we thine unworthy servants**

**do give thee most humble and hearty thanks**

**for all thy goodness and loving-kindness**

**to us and to all men.**

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We bless thee for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for thine inestimable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ,  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we beseech thee,  
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,  
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;  
and that we show forth thy praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to thy service,  
and by walking before thee  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,  
be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

### A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

*Officiant*

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication unto thee, and hast promised through thy well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name thou wilt be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Let us bless the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*The Officiant*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**      *2 Corinthians 13:14*

### Announcements

A lesson from the Gospel according to Saint Luke.

*Luke 2:1-20*

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.

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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. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

### Sermon

#### The Offertory

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

#### Distribution from the Reserve Sacrament

Blessed, hallowed, worshiped, and adored be our Lord Jesus Christ on His throne in Heaven, on the altars of His churches, and in the hearts of His faithful people. And may the souls of the faithful departed through the mercies of God rest in peace.

*Officiant and People*

**And may Light Perpetual shine upon them. Amen.**

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*Verse of the Week*

**“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.’”**

Luke 2:10

*“Quote of the Week”*



**“Christmas is built upon a beautiful and intentional paradox; that the birth of the homeless Christ should be celebrated in every home.”**

G.K. Chesterton

English journalist, author, and Christian apologist, d. 14 June 1936

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