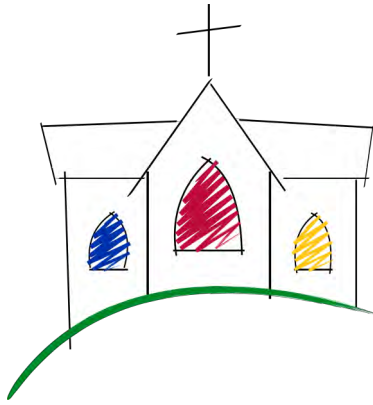


ALL SAINTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH
JENSEN BEACH, FLORIDA



The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ

CHRISTMAS



THE CELEBRATION OF

The Nativity of our Lord: Christmas

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2024 (CHRISTMAS EVE)

10:45 P.M. CAROLS FOLLOWED AT
11 P.M. FESTIVE HOLY EUCHARIST AND HOMILY
WITH THE BLESSING OF THE CRÈCHE

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2303 NORTHEAST SEAVIEW DRIVE, JENSEN BEACH, FLORIDA 34957

Mission Statement:

The Community of All Saints' accepts the empowerment of the Holy Spirit to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ through workshop of God, service to His people and stewardship of His gifts.

Vision Statement:

"Live like Jesus, love God and all people."



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DEACON

ORDER OF SERVICE

Tuesday, December 24, 2024 (Christmas Eve)

10:45 p.m. Carols Singing followed by The Festive Celebration of the Holy Eucharist with Homily and the Blessing of the Crèche

Celebrant and Homilist: The Very Reverend Dr. Anthony B. Holder, *Rector*

Con-celebrant: The Reverend Tara B. Shepley, *Honorary Assisting Priest*



*The people are invited to read the parts in **bold**.*

THE ENTRANCE RITE

Prelude:

Of the Father's love begotten

The people stand.

Proclamation:

Once in royal David's city (#102, 1982 Hymnal)

1

Once in royal David's city
stood a lowly cattle shed,
where a mother laid her Baby
in a manger for his bed;
Mary was that mother mild,
Jesus Christ, her little Child.

2

He came down to earth from heaven,
who is God and Lord of all,
and His shelter was a stable,
and His cradle was a stall;
with the poor, and mean, and lowly,
lived on earth our Savior holy.

3

We, like Mary, rest confounded
that a stable should display
heaven's Word, the world's creator,
cradled there on Christmas Day,
yet this child, our Lord and brother,
brought us love for one another.

4

For he is our lifelong pattern;
daily when on earth he grew,
he was tempted, scorned, rejected
tears and smiles like us he knew,
thus he feels for all our sadness,
and he shares in all our gladness.

5

And our eyes at last shall see him,
through his own redeeming love;
for that child who seemed so helpless
is our Lord in heaven above;
and he leads his children on
to the place where he has gone.

6

Not in that poor lowly stable,
with the oxen standing round,
we shall see him; but in heaven,
where his saints his throne surround:
Christ, revealed to faithful eye,
set at God's right hand on high.

Once in royal David's city, #102 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: vs1-2 and 4-6 Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895), vs 3 James Waring McCrady (b 1938) ©1982, Novello and Company Limited, Used by permission OneLicense.net A-732702

The Advent Wreath Celebration

The Lighting of the Christ Candle

The Nativity of our Lord: Christmas

Reader: The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth. (*John 1:14*)

Celebrant: For unto us a Child is born.

People: Unto us a Son is given.

Reader: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. What has come into being in Him, was life and the life was light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as a Father's Son, full of grace and truth. (*John 1:4-5, 14*)

Celebrant: We light this candle to remind us of the great Light that comes at last with the birth of Jesus, the Word of God made human for us. As we welcome Him in the poor stable in Bethlehem we offer ourselves to bring His transforming love to birth in all dark places and to serve Him in all our brothers and sisters.

The Christ Candle is Lit.

A Short Pause

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: O God, your love was so great for us that You gave us Your Son to shine out in our darkness. Help us to make that love known to all the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: All praise to You, Eternal Father, giver of all good things; You have filled our hearts with joy at the wonders of Your love. Christ, Your Son, for all eternity was born in time. Alleluia, Christ is born!

People: Alleluia, Christ was born!

The Salutation

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be His kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

The Celebrant may say

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.

People: Amen.

The Gloria

The Celebrant and People sing together

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Glo ry to God in the high__ est and
peace__ to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heaven-ly King, al - might-y__ God and

Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.
 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the
 right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus
 Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.
 A - - - - men.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Collect

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Collect for Christmas Day II (*Book of Common Prayer*, 212)

Celebrant: O God, you have caused this holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: Grant that we, who have known the mystery of that Light on earth, may also enjoy him perfectly in heaven; where with you and the Holy Spirit he lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.

People: **Amen.**

The people sit for the Liturgy of the Word. The Readings and Psalm are for Christmas Day (Year C) of the Lectionary.

The First Lesson: Isaiah 9:2-7

Reader: A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 96

(Page 725 of the Book of Common Prayer or as printed in the bulletin. We will read the psalm alternatively by verse).

- 1 Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the whole earth.
- 2 **Sing to the LORD and bless his Name; proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.**
- 3 Declare his glory among the nations and his wonders among all peoples.
- 4 **For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; he is more to be feared than all gods.**
- 5 As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; but it is the LORD who made the heavens.
- 6 **Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence! Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!**
- 7 Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples; ascribe to the LORD honor and power.
- 8 **Ascribe to the LORD the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.**
- 9 Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth tremble before him.
- 10 **Tell it out among the nations: "The LORD is King! he has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity."**
- 11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea thunder and all that is in it; let the field be joyful and all that is therein.
- 12 **Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy before the LORD when he comes, when he comes to judge the earth.**
- 13 He will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with his truth.

The Second Lesson: Titus 3:4-7

Reader: A reading from Paul's Letter to Titus.

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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The people stand for the Sequence Hymn and the Gospel.

Sequence Hymn:

Joy to the world (#100, 1982 Hymnal)

1
Joy to the world! the Lord is come:
let earth receive her King;
let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing. (x3)

3
No more let sins and sorrows grow,
nor thorns infest the ground;
he comes to make his blessings flow
far as the curse is found. (x3)

2
Joy to the world! the Savior reigns;
let us our songs employ,
while fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains,
repeat the sounding joy. (x3)

4
He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness,
and wonders of his love. (x3)

Joy to the world! the Lord is come, #100 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt. Music: *Antioch*, George Frideric Handel (1685-1759); adapt. and arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

The Holy Gospel: Luke 2:1-20

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

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. 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.

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Homily

The Rector

After the invocation of the Homily, the people shall sit.

The Nicene Creed

The Deacon or Celebrant shall say,

Let us reaffirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

Celebrant and People

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.

The Prayers of the People

(The people may kneel or stand, as desired, during the Prayers of the People.)

Form I

(Found on Page 383 of the Book of Common Prayer)

Leader and People pray responsively

Leader: With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord have mercy."

Leader: For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Peter our Bishop; Anthony, our Rector; Tara, our Assisting Priest; Alan our Deacon; and for all the clergy and people; let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For this city of Jensen Beach, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the seasonable weather, and for the abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air, or through outer space, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and suffering, especially Jennifer, Charles, Delroy, Bruce, Bradley, Malcolm (*Priest*), Shannon, Korey, Nevin, Sierra, Greg, Marylee, Joann, Kim, Leslie, Kelly, Susan, Sally, Pauline, Jack, Rev. Costa, Nyla, Robin, Steve (*Priest*), Peter, Jeremy, Jane, Gary, Donna, Brett, Purdy, Jacques, Kristen, Jim, Baby Leo, Cynthia, Joan; (*Are there others?*), let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed especially Bruce; let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: In the communion of the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

People: To thee, O Lord our God.

Silence

The Celebrant concludes with a suitable Collect.

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Confession of Sin

The people may kneel or stand, as desired, for the Confession of Sin.

The Deacon or 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.

Celebrant: 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.

People: Amen.

The Peace

The people stand for the greeting of the Peace.

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

The Announcements

The people sit for the Announcements

Special Music

“O Holy Night”

Words: Placide Cappeau (1847); Tune: Canticque de Noel

THE LITURGY OF THE ALTAR

Offertory Sentence

The Celebrant shall say

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Ephesians 5:2

Offertory Hymn:

O Come, All Ye Faithful (#83, 1982 Hymnal)

1

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,

O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
come, and behold him,
born the King of angels;

Refrain

O come, let us adore him, (x3)
Christ the Lord.

2

God from God,
Light from Light eternal,
lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb;
only-begotten
Son of God the Father;

Refrain

3

Sing, choirs of angels,
sing in exultation,
sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;
glory to God,
glory in the highest;

Refrain

See how the shepherds,
summoned to his cradle,
leaving their flocks,
draw nigh to gaze;
we too will thither
bend our joyful footsteps;

Refrain

Child, for us sinners
poor and in the manger,
we would embrace thee,
with love and awe;
who would not love thee,
loving us so dearly?

Refrain

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

Refrain

O come, all ye faithful, #83 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: John Francis Wade (1711-1786); tr. Frederick Oakeley (1802-1880) and others. Music: *Adeste fideles*, present form of melody att. John Francis Wade (1711-1786); harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906.

The people stand for the Doxology.

The Doxology

The Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing.

Eucharistic Prayer A

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The musical score consists of four staves of music in a single system, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff is for the Celebrant and the People, the second for the Celebrant and the People, the third for the Celebrant, and the fourth for the People. The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you, and also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise."

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds.

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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly Lord, God of power and might.

Ho ly ho ly ho ly Lord, God of power and might.

hea ven and earth are full, full of your glo ry. Ho

san na in the high est, Ho sa na in the high est.

Bless ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho san - na in the high - est.

The Consecration Prayer

The people may sit or stand, as desired, during the Eucharistic Prayer.

Then the Celebrant continues.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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."

Celebrant: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and

serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ:

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.

People: Amen.

The people remain kneeling for the Lord's Prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

Celebrant 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.

The Breaking of the Bread

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!

The Agnus Dei

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Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us — peace.

The Invitation

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 Christians, irrespective of denomination, who desire to share in the Blessed Sacrament are invited to do so. You will be invited to come forward at the appropriate time by the Ushers. If you are receiving communion by intinction (dipping of bread in the wine), please indicate this preference by extending your finger in front of you. If you wish not to receive communion, you can fold your hands across your chest and receive a blessing.

Communion Music:

What Feast of Love is Offered Here

1
What feast of love is offered here
What banquet come from heaven?
What food of everlasting life
What gracious gift is given?
This, this is Christ the king
The bread come down from heaven
Oh, taste and see and sing!
How sweet the manna given!

2
What light of truth is offered here
What covenant from heaven?
What hope of everlasting life
What wondrous word is given?
This, this is Christ the king
The sun come down from heaven
Oh, see and hear and sing!
The Word of God is given!

3
What wine of love is offered here
What crimson drink from heaven?
What stream of everlasting life
What precious blood is given?
This, this is Christ the king
The sweetest wine of heaven
Oh, taste and see and sing!
The Son of God is given!

What feast of love is offered here - Author: Delores Dufner; Tune: Greensleeves

Lo How a Rose e're Blooming (#81, 1982 Hymnal)

1
Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming
from tender stem hath sprung!
Of Jesse's lineage coming
as seers of old have sung.
It came, a blossom bright,
amid the cold of winter,
when half spent was the night.

2
Isaiah 'twas foretold it,
the Rose I have in mind,
with Mary we behold it,
the Virgin Mother kind.
To show God's love aright,
she bore to us a Savior,
when half spent was the night.

3
O Flower, whose fragrance tender
with sweetness fills the air,
dispel in glorious splendor
the darkness everywhere;
true man, yet very God,
from sin and death now save us,
and share our every load.

Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming, #81 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: St. 1-2 German, 15th cent.; tr. Theodore Baker (1851-1934). St. 3, Friedrich Layritz (1808-1859); tr. Harriet Reynolds Krauth Spaeth (1845-1925); ver. *Hymnal 1940*. St. 3, Copyright © The Church Pension Fund. Music: *Es ist ein Ros*, melody from *Alte Catholische Geistliche Kirchengesäng*, 1599; harm. Michael Praetorius (1571-1621).

Away in the manger (#101, 1982 Hymnal)

1
Away in a manger, no crib for his bed,
the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.
The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,
the little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

2
The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,
but little Lord Jesus no crying he makes.
I love thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky,
and stay by my side until morning is nigh.

3
Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask thee to stay
close by me for ever, and love me I pray.
Bless all the dear children in thy tender care,
and fit us for heaven to live with thee there.

Away in a manger, no crib for his bed, #101 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Traditional carol. Music: *Cradle Song*, melody William James Kirkpatrick (1838-1921); harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958).

It Came Upon a Midnight Clear (#89, 1982 Hymnal)

1
It came upon the midnight clear,
that glorious song of old,
from angels bending near the earth
to touch their harps of gold:
“Peace on the earth, good will to men,
from heaven’s all-gracious King.”
The world in solemn stillness lay
to hear the angels sing.

3
Yet with the woes of sin and strife
the world has suffered long;
beneath the heavenly hymn have rolled
two thousand years of wrong;
and warring humankind hears not
the tidings which they bring;
O hush the noise and cease your strife
and hear the angels sing!

2
Still through the cloven skies they come
with peaceful wings unfurled,
and still their heavenly music floats
o’er all the weary world;
above its sad and lowly plains
they bend on hovering wing,
and ever o’er its Babel-sounds
the blessed angels sing.

4
For lo! the days are hastening on,
by prophets seen of old,
when with the ever-circling years
shall come the time foretold,
when peace shall over all the earth
its ancient splendors fling,
and all the world give back the song
which now the angels sing.

It came upon the midnight clear, #89 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Edmund H. Sears (1810-1876), alt. Music: *Carol*, Richard Storrs Willis (1819-1900).

The congregation then sings the carol, “Silent night, holy night” in candlelight.

Silent night, holy night (#111, 1982 Hymnal)

1
Silent night, holy night,
all is calm, all is bright
round yon virgin mother and child.
Holy infant, so tender and mild,
sleep in heavenly peace. (x2)

3
Silent night, holy night,
Son of God, love’s pure light
radiant beams from thy holy face,
with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth. (x2)

2
Silent night, holy night,
shepherds quake at the sight,
glories stream from heaven afar,
heavenly hosts sing alleluia;
Christ, the Savior, is born! (x2)

Silent night, holy night, #111 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Joseph Mohr (1792-1848); tr. John Freeman Young (1820-1885).
Music: *Stille Nacht*, melody Franz Xaver Gruber (1787-1863); harm. Carl H. Reinecke (1824-1910).

The Post-Communion Prayer

After Communion, the people remain kneeling and 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.

The Christmas Blessing

The Celebrant shall say,

May Almighty God, who sent his Son to take our nature upon him, bless you in this holy season, scatter the darkness of sin, and brighten your heart with the light of his holiness.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: May God, who sent his angels to proclaim the glad news of the Savior's birth, fill you with joy, and make you heralds of the Gospel.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: May God, who is the Word made flesh joined heaven to earth and earth to heaven, give his peace and favor.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

People: Amen.

The people stand for the Recessional.

Recessional:

Hark, the Herald Angels Sing (#87, 1982 Hymnal)

1

Hark! the herald angels sing
glory to the newborn King!
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
join the triumph of the skies;
with the angelic host proclaim
Christ is born in Bethlehem!

Refrain

Hark! the herald angels sing
glory to the newborn King!

2

Christ, by highest heaven adored;
Christ, the everlasting Lord;
late in time behold him come,
offspring of the Virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
hail the incarnate Deity.
Pleased as man with man to dwell;
Jesus, our Emmanuel!

Refrain

3

Mild he lays his glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth,
born to give us second birth.
Risen with healing in his wings,
light and life to all he brings,
hail, the Sun of Righteousness!
hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!

Refrain

Hark! the herald angels sing, #87 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: Mendelssohn, Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847); adapt. William H. Cummings (1831-1915).

THE DISMISSAL

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses them with these words.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

SERVING TODAY

11:00 p.m.: **CELEBRANT & HOMILIST:** Father Tony; **ASSISTING PRIEST:** The Rev. Tara Shepley
VESTRY: George Mazsa; **ORGANIST:** Michael Sahlen
LEM: Duncan Hurd; **LECTOR:** George Mazsa; **ACOLYTE:** Lyle Laverty
USHERS: Elyta Watkins, George Mazsa; **GREETERS:** Eva Capparelli, Marilyn Mazsa;
SOUND TECH: Pam Hurd; **VIDEO TECH:** Brien Falloon;
ALTAR GUILD: Marilyn Mazsa

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



*A joyous Christmas
from your Clergy,
Wardens, Vestry, & Office Staff.*

The Church Office
will be closed on **December 25 through January 1,**
and will reopen on **January 2, 2025.**

For pastoral emergencies only,
please call Father Tony or Deacon Alan.



Annual Report

All leaders of organizations, committees, and ministries are to submit their Annual Reports to Jenny, the Office Manager, by email at: Jennifer@allsaintsjensenbeach.org, **no later than January 5, 2025.** You may also drop a copy off at the Office, if you need any assistance. The Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 19, 2025.



*The Christmas Flowers are offered to
the Glory of God
and in Honor, Memory, and Thanksgiving of our Loved Ones*

Given by:

Alves and Johnson Families
Nancy Bednarcik
Margaret Coughlin
Rhonda Cumpsty
Ana Delgado
Mally Grimshaw
Jon and Carolyn Hanna
Beryl Inniss
Andrew and Brinley Johnson
Brinley Johnson
Linda and Eric Kuegler
Iris Langran
Joanne Lavos
Ritchie and Joyce Menard
Sandy and Jack Miller
Kathleen Morris
Niki O'Neal and Juliette Foster & Family
Paul and Karen Neff

Greg & Renee Phillips
Dianne Pierce
Adrienne Sacco
Debra Shearer
Deborah Shinn
Raymond and Sharyn Sirkle
Paulette Skidmore and Pauline Maynard

Dorothy Ulmer
Jerry Walters
Natalie Walters
Joan Whitting

In Honor, Memory or Thanksgiving of:

Our Parents & Grandparents
Robert Bednarcik
Deidre McCarthy and Marie Fisher
Ronald & Catherine Cumpsty

Dylan and Alden Thompson
John Corbett
Frank Inniss
Marilee McGarvey
Meghan Malley
In Memory of Parents
Tony Langran, Cyndi Petrillo
K. C. Mehl
Bruce Fletcher
Barsamian and Miller Loved Ones
James Morris
Janet Miller, Arthur Miller, Trevor Davis
David Alan Neff, Dorothy Neff Pitkey,
Theodore Pitkey, Kenneth S. Smith

Bob and Tup Means
Pat Sacco
Dave Shearer, Shawn Owens

Sheridan Rhea Sirkle McGee, *Daughter*
Robert J. Skidmore Sr., Larry Rakes,
John C. Maynard, Sr.

Kris Walters
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Jake Whitting, Stret Whitting

Please remember in prayer: Jennifer Cruse, Charles Dougiello, Delroy Falloon, Bradley Foster, Fr. Malcolm Girardeau, Shannon Hammond, Corey Hogan, Nevin Hogan, Sierra Hogan, Greg Hook, Marylee Johnson, Joann Kelly, Kim Kelly, Leslie Lambros, Bruce Langran, Kelly Langran, Susan Long, Sally Marney, Pauline Maynard, Jack Miller, Rev. Costa Nasar, Nyla Pipes, Robin Rudy, Fr. Steve Teague, Peter Wagner, Jeremy Wheeler, Joan Whitting, Jane Wiley, Gary Williams, Donna B., Aharon and Sarit Mizrachi, Shmulik and Natalie Mizrachi, Rotem and Ariel, Brett, Purdy, Jacques, Kristen, Jim, Baby Leo, Cynthia.



Please note that names will be removed after 30-days. Once removed, if you would like to have them added again, you will need to call the Church Office.

Continuing Prayers: Arthur Apissomian, Rick Beattie, Jackie Damato, Agnes Garamszegine Kosma, Connie Haire, Joanne Lavos, Lisa Manzione, Maxie Rutherford, James Smith, Lee Smith, Agnes Stephen-Frazer, Jayne Bembridge, Dorothy White, Linda Schoen, Charmaine, John Ball, Pat Ball, Kathy Ladue, Katrina.

Parish Family members serving in the military: William Boice, Jairus Domenich, Guy Egan, Keith Englin, Alex Ghujar, Ashlyn Mia Goff, Jonathan Holman, Alliza Hernandez, Hannah Kuegler, Gabe Oswald, Crystal Palacio, Jake Palmer, Ryan Satherlie, Lauren and Emily Sutton, Blake Warnock, Drew Whitting.

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Sunday:

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with music

Wednesday:

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist & Healing Service
 11:15 a.m. Bible Study (*In-person*)
 6:00 p.m. Bible Study (*Via Zoom*)

OFFICE SCHEDULE

Church and Cemetery Office Hours:

Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Thrift Shop Hours:

Tuesday to Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

REMINDERS:

Thrift Store: Bring your family and friends, and remember to support the Thrift Store by donating your unwanted valuable items.

Prayer Requests—Additions or Deletions:

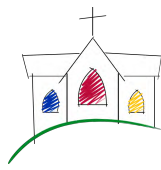
Please contact Deacon Alan, Jenny McDonald or speak with a Daughter of the King to be added or deleted on their prayer list.

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To: George Mazsa (Vestry member), Duncan Hurd (Lay Eucharistic Minister; George Mazsa (Lector), Lyle Laverty (Acolyte), Brien Falloon (Video Tech), Pam Hurd (Sound Tech); George Mazsa and Elyta Watkins (Ushers), Eva Capparelli and Marilyn Mazsa (Greeters); Michael Sahlen (Music Minister) Marilyn Mazsa (Altar Guild); for being our Ministry Team at the 11 p.m. Service on Christmas Eve (Tuesday December 24, 2024).

Note: If anyone has inadvertently been omitted from this list, it was not intentional. Please accept our apologies and we would love to hear from you as to the wonderful ministry you are doing or have done for our church. Thank you!



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Christmas Carol Singing

God rest ye merry gentlemen (#105, 1982 Hymnal)

1

God rest you merry, gentlemen,
let nothing you dismay;
remember Christ our Savior
was born on Christmas Day,
to save us all from Satan's power
when we were gone astray.

Refrain

O tidings of comfort and joy,
comfort and joy;
O tidings of comfort and joy!

2

From God our heavenly Father
a blessed angel came
and unto certain shepherds
brought tidings of the same:
how that in Bethlehem was born
the Son of God by name.

Refrain

3

"Fear not, then," said the angel,
"Let nothing you affright;
this day is born a Savior
of a pure virgin bright,
to free all those who trust in him
from Satan's power and might."

Refrain

4

Now to the Lord sing praises,
all you within this place,
and with true love and charity
each other now embrace;
this holy tide of Christmas
doth bring redeeming grace.

Refrain

God rest you merry, gentlemen, #105 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: London carol, 18th cent. Music: *God Rest You Merry*, melody from *Little Book of Christmas Carols*, ca. 1850; harm. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944). Copyright © The Church Pension Fund.

While Shepherds watched their Flocks by Night (#94, 1982 Hymnal)

1

While shepherds watched their flocks by night,
all seated on the ground,
the angel of the Lord came down,
and glory shone around.

2

"Fear not," said he, for mighty dread
had seized their troubled mind;
"Glad tidings of great joy I bring
to you and all mankind.

3

"To you, in David's town, this day
is born of David's line
the Savior, who is Christ the Lord;
and this shall be the sign:

4

"The heavenly Babe you there shall find
to human view displayed,
all meanly wrapped in swathing bands,
and in a manger laid."

5

Thus spake the seraph, and forthwith
appeared a shining throng
of angels praising God, who thus
addressed their joyful song:

6

"All glory be to God on high
And on the earth be peace;
Good will henceforth from heaven to men
Begin and never cease."

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Ding, dong, merrily on high

1

Ding dong merrily on high
In heav'n the bells are ringing
Ding dong verily the sky
Is riv'n with angels singing
Glo—ria, hosanna in excelsis
Glo—ria, hosanna in excelsis.

2

E'en so here below below
Let steeple bells be swungen
And io io io
By priest and people sungen
Glo—ria, hosanna in excelsis
Glo—ria, hosanna in excelsis.

3

Pray you dutifully prime
Your matin chime ye ringers
May you beautifully rhyme
Your eve time song ye singers
Glo—ria, hosanna in excelsis
Glo—ria, hosanna in excelsis.

Good Christian friends rejoice (#107, 1982 Hymnal)

1

Good Christian friends, rejoice
with heart and soul and voice;
give ye heed to what we say:
Jesus Christ is born today;
ox and ass before him bow,
and he is in the manger now.
Christ is born today!

2

Good Christian friends, rejoice
with heart and soul and voice;
now ye hear of endless bliss;
Jesus Christ was born for this!
He hath opened heaven's door,
and we are blest for evermore.
Christ was born for this!

3

Good Christian friends, rejoice
with heart and soul and voice;
now ye need not fear the grave:
Jesus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all
to gain his everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save!

Good Christian friends, rejoice, #107 from *The Hymnal*
1982 – Words: John Mason Neale (1818-1866),
alt. Music: In dulci jubilo, German carol, 14th

