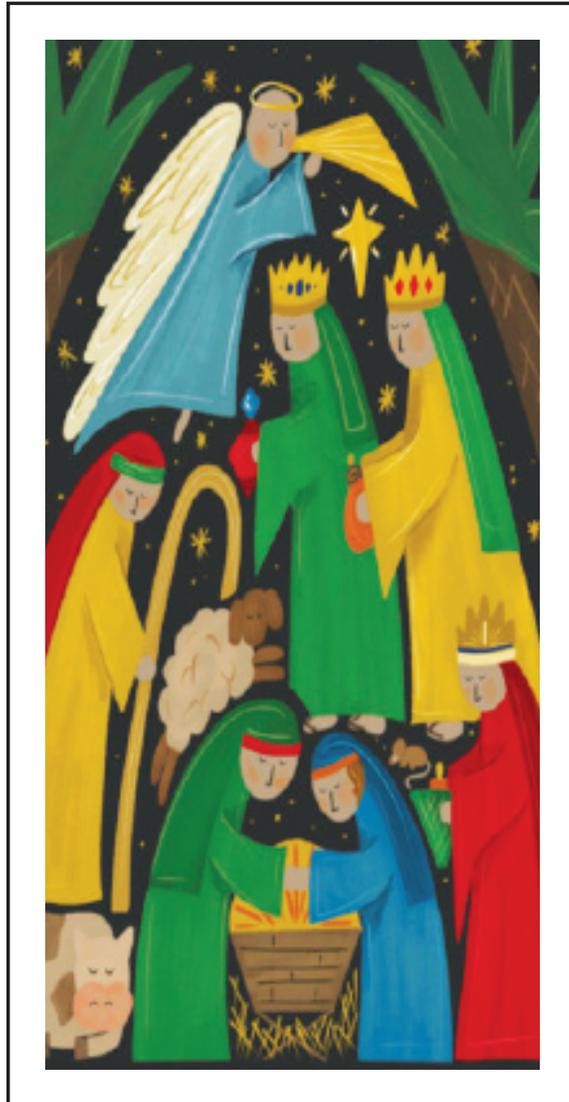


*All Saints'*  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH



Carol-Sing: 9:00 – 9:30 p.m.

All Saints' Episcopal Church  
Holy Eucharist  
Christmas Eve - Christ's Mass

December 24, 2019 - 9:30 p.m.

***Welcome to All Saints'***

*If you are visiting please fill out a Welcome Card and place it in the offering plate.  
In keeping with an atmosphere of reverence, please silence all electronic devices.*

***Thank you for joining us today; please come again!***

# Holy Eucharist

Please turn off your cell phone. BCP = Book of Common Prayer

Organ Voluntary: *Es ist ein Ros' entsprungen*

— Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

Choral Introit: *Es ist ein Ros' entsprungen*

— Michael Praetorius (1571-1621) and Melchior Vulpius (1570?-1615)

Es ist ein Ros entsprungen,  
aus einer Wurzel zart,  
wie uns die Alten sungen,  
von Jesse war die Art  
Und hat ein Blümlein bracht  
mitten im kalten Winter,  
wohl zu der halben Nacht.

Das Röslein, das ich meine,  
davon Jesaia sagt,  
ist Maria die reine  
die uns das Blümlein bracht.  
Aus Gottes ew'gem Rat  
hat sie ein Kind geboren  
und blieb ein reine Magd.

Das Blümelein, so kleine,  
das duftet uns so süß,  
mit seinem hellen Scheine  
vertreibt's die Finsternis.  
Wahr Mensch und wahrer Gott,  
hilft uns aus allem Leide,  
rettet von Sünd und Tod.

A rose has sprung up,  
from a tender root.  
As the old ones sang to us,  
Its lineage was from Jesse.  
And it has brought forth a floweret  
In the middle of the cold winter  
Well at half the night.

The rosebud that I mean,  
Of which Isaiah told  
Is Mary, the pure,  
Who brought us the floweret.  
At God's immortal word,  
She has borne a child  
Remaining a pure maid.

The floweret, so small  
That smells so sweet to us  
With its clear light  
Dispels the darkness.  
True man and true God!  
He helps us from all trouble,  
Saves us from sin and death.  
— German, 15th Century

## THE WORD OF GOD

Proclamation of the Birth of Christ *(remain seated)*

Hymn: *O Come All Ye Faithful* *(all stand)*

Hymnal 83 *Adeste fideles*

1 O come, all ye faith-ful, joy-ful and tri-um-phant, O  
2 God from God, Light from Light e-ter-nal,  
1 come ye, O come ye to Beth-le-hem;  
2 lo! he ab-hors not the Vir-gin's womb;  
1 come, and be-hold him, born the King of an-gels;  
2 on-ly-be-got-ten Son of the Fa-ther;  
*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.

3. Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation, sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above; Glory to God in the highest: *O come, etc.*
4. See how the shepherds, summoned to his cradle, leaving their flocks, draw nigh with lowly fear; we too will thither bend our joyful footsteps: *O come, etc.*
5. Child, for us sinners poor and in the manger, fain we embrace thee, with awe and love; who would not love thee, loving us so dearly? *O come, etc.*
6. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning, Jesu, to thee be glory giv'n; Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing: *O come, etc.*

### Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia! Unto us a child is born!  
People Come let us adore him! Alleluia!

### The Collect for Purity *Said together*

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. Amen.

## Song of Praise

*Hymnal 421 Allein Gott in der Höh*



1 All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace on earth from  
2 O Lamb of God, Lord Je - sus Christ, whom God the Fa - ther  
3 You on - ly are the Ho - ly One, who came for our sal -



hea - ven, and God's good will un - fail - ing - ly be  
gave us, who for the world was sac - ri - ficed up -  
va - tion, and on - ly you are God's true Son, who



to all peo - ple giv - en. We bless, we wor - ship you, we raise for  
on the cross to save us; and, as you sit at God's right hand and  
was be - fore cre - a - tion. You on - ly, Christ, as Lord we own and,



your great glo - ry thanks and praise, O God, Al - might - y Fa - ther.  
we for judg - ment there must stand, have mer - cy, Lord, up - on us.  
with the Spi - rit, you a - lone share in the Fa - ther's glo - ry.

## The Collect of the Day

### THE LESSONS

#### The First Lesson: Isaiah 9:2-7 *Please be seated*

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.

#### Hymn *(standing)*

*Hymnal 93 Regent Square*



1 An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, wing your flight o'er  
2 Shep - herds in the field a - bid - ing, watch - ing o'er your  
3 Sa - ges, leave your con - tem - pla - tions; bright - er vi - sions  
4 Saints be - fore the al - tar bend - ing, watch - ing long in



all the earth; ye, who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry,  
 flocks by night, God with you is now re - sid - ing;  
 beam a - far: seek the great De - sire of na - tions;  
 hope and fear, sud - den - ly the Lord, de - scend - ing,

*Refrain*

now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth:  
 yon - der shines the in - fant Light: come and wor - ship,  
 ye have seen his na - tal star:  
 in his tem - ple shall ap - pear:

come and wor - ship, wor - ship Christ, the new - born King.

**The Holy Gospel: Luke 2:1–14** *Please stand.*

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

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

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 his 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; Ye 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 men.

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Sermon - The Rev. Cynthia Caruso**

**The Nicene Creed** *Said together, all standing.*

**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** *(stand or kneel)*

As we join the angels and celebrate with joy the birth of the Son of God, let us offer prayers to God who gives new birth to sons and daughters in every place. By the birth of the timeless Son of God in the womb of the Virgin Mary.

#### **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop;  
Andy and Kai, our Bishops; Lane, Cynthia, and Steve, our Priests;  
Ed, our Deacon;  
and for all who minister in Christ; and for all the holy people of God.

#### **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For all believers who put their trust in the incarnate Son of God.

#### **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For the leaders of the nations and all in authority, and for peace and justice.

#### **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For the conversion of the whole human race  
to our blessed Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

#### **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For travelers, for the sick and the suffering,  
for the hungry and the oppressed, for those in prison, and for the dying and the dead.

#### **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For our deliverance from all affliction, strife, and need.

#### **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

Remembering our most glorious and blessed Virgin Mary, and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

#### **To you, O Lord.**

*The Celebrant offers a concluding collect.*

Source of light and gladness, accept the prayers we offer on this joyful feast. May we grow in Jesus Christ who unites our lives to yours and who is Lord for all eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

*Adapted from "General Intercessions in the Eucharist," by Ormond Plater.*

### **The Peace** *The people stand.*

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

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

*We greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## Offertory Anthem: *What Sweeter Music*

— John Rutter (b. 1945)

What sweeter music can we bring Than a carol, for to sing The birth of this our heav'nly King? Awake the voice! Awake the string!  
Dark and dull night, fly hence away, And give the honour to this day That sees December turn'd to May.

Why does the chilling winter's morn Smile, like a field beset with corn? Or smell like a meadow newly shorn Thus on the sudden?  
Come and see The cause, why things thus fragrant be: 'Tis he is born, whose quick'ning birth Gives life and lustre, public mirth, To heaven and the under-earth.

We see him come, and know him ours, Who, with his sunshine and his show'rs, Turns the patient ground to flow'rs. The darling of the world is come, And fit it is, we find a room To welcome hi.

The nobler part of all the house here, is the heart, Which we will give him; and bequeath This holly, and this ivy wreath, To do him honour; who's our King, And Lord of all this revelling. — Robert Herrick (1591–1674)

## Hymn

*Hymnal 380, vs. 3 (Old 100th)*

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

## The Great Thanksgiving

*Church Pension Fund "Eucharistic Prayer D," in The Book of Common Prayer, (New York: Church Publishing, 1979), p.372.*

*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 our thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant praises and offers thanks to God, saying  
We acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,*

## *Sanctus*

*Hymnal S#125 Proulx*

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.

*The Celebrant recalls the history of God and God's people, culminating with Jesus' self-sacrifice for the sake of the world. Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.*

*Celebrant and People*

We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks  
to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

*The Celebrant calls on the Holy Spirit to sanctify our gifts and ourselves.*

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

A - men. A - men. A - men.

**The Lord's Prayer**

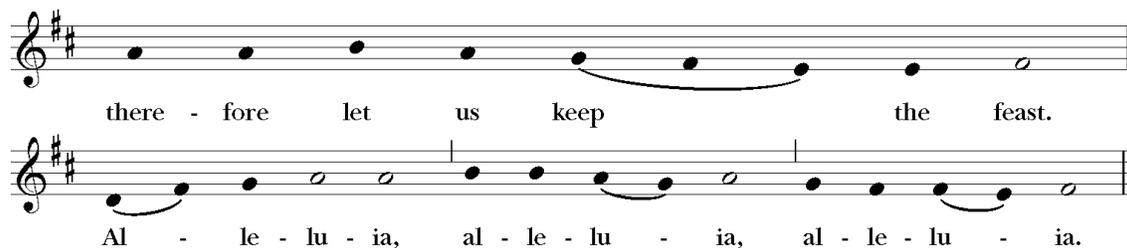
*Hymnal S#119 Plainsong*

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our  
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,  
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

**The Fraction Anthem**

*Hymnal S#154 New Plainsong*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;



**The Holy Communion**

*Please know that ALL are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you are unable or find it difficult to come to the altar rail for communion, please allow the priest to bring it to you by letting one of the ushers know. Gluten free communion wafers are available on request, and please know that we use real wine.*

**Music at Communion:** (All invited to sing)

- O little town of Bethlehem*
- The First Noel*
- The snow lay on the ground*
- Away in the Manger*

- Hymnal 79** *St. Louis*
- Hymnal 109, vss. 1, 2, 3 & 6** *The First Nowell*
- Hymnal 110** *Venite adoremus*
- Hymnal 101** *Cradle Song*

**The Postcommunion Prayer** *Please stand or kneel.*

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Post Communion Hymn** *Silent Night (kneeling)*

**Hymnal 111** *Stille Nacht*

**Christmas Blessing** *Adapted from the Book of Occasional Services 2003 (New York: Church Publishing, 2004), p. 23*

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 God's holiness. **Amen.**

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

May God, who in the Word made flesh joined heaven to earth and earth to heaven, give you peace and favor. **Amen.**

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

**Hymn** *Joy to the World (stand)*

**Hymnal 100** *Antioch*

**Dismissal** *The deacon dismisses the people.*

People **Thanks be to God.**

*Organ Voluntary: Joy to the World*

— Johannes Matthias Michel (2000)

**F L O W E R   A C K N O W L E D G E M E N T S**

*The poinsettias on the Altar and throughout the Church are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, by the members of All Saints' Church. (See insert for Poinsettia dedications)*

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