

**ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
BAYSIDE, NEW YORK**



**THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST  
CHRISTMAS EVE**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2023**

**5:00 PM**



## WELCOME TO ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

**Whether** you are a first-time visitor, long-time parishioner, or fall somewhere in between, we are honored and enriched by your presence for this service, and offer you a sincere welcome home to this parish church.

As we once again celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, we encourage you to join fully in the prayers and carols and to share in the Holy Communion. This is a family service, so if a little one is a bit squirmy or fussy, you need not worry.

All baptized Christians are welcome and encouraged to receive both the bread and the wine at communion. If you wish to receive communion, but would find the approach to the altar rail difficult, please let an usher know so that we can bring the Sacrament to you in your pew.

Should you be seeking a church to call your own, we hope that your search is over and that you will become a member of All Saints.

Our regular Sunday services are at 10:00 AM. every week and at 8:00 and 10:00 AM on the first Sunday of the month. Sunday School follows the 10:00 AM service.

Again, welcome, and may this be a most joyful Christmastide for you and all those whom you love.



Please take a moment to silence or switch off your phone so that we may all enter into worship without distraction. Thank you!



# The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ

## Christmas Eve, December 24, 2023, 5:00 pm



### Prelude

“White Christmas” – Nikki Bernstein, Arkady Leytush  
“What Child is This” – Tom Espenshade, Rose Poyser

*Berlin  
Traditional*

### The Liturgy of the Word: A Children’s Nativity Pageant

### Welcome

### Bidding Prayer

Fr. Byrne

*The people stand*

**Beloved** in Christ, on this most holy night, let it be our care and delight to prepare ourselves to hear again the message of the angels, and in heart and mind to go even unto Bethlehem, to see the Babe lying in a manger.

*The congregation may be seated.*

### Hymn:

“Once in Royal David’s City”

*Irby*

#### *Verses 1 Solo*

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 Saviour holy.

#### *The Congregation joins on verse 2*

3 And our eyes at last shall see him,  
Through his own redeeming love  
For that child, so dear and gentle  
Is our Lord in Heaven above.  
And he leads his children on  
To the place where he has gone

4. Not in that poor lowly stable  
With the oxen standing by  
We shall see him, but in heaven  
Set at God’s right hand on high  
When like stars, his children crowned  
All in white shall wait around.



## The First Reading

**I**t happened in the days of Herod the king that the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee, called Nazareth, to a maiden named Mary who was betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the family of David.

The angel appeared to her and said, "Hail, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women." When Mary saw the angel, she was startled at what he had said, and wondered to herself what this greeting could mean.

The Angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. You are to have a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. He shall be great and shall be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God shall give to him the throne of his forefather, David. He shall rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there shall be no end."

Then Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, seeing I have no husband?"

The angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit shall come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you so that the child that is born shall be called holy, the Son of God."

Mary said, "I am the servant of the Lord. Let it be as you have said." And the angel departed from her.

## The Angel's Song

*From Heaven Above to Earth I Come*

Gabriel and Mary

From Heaven above to earth I come  
to bring Good News to everyone!

Glad tidings of great joy I bring  
to all the world and gladly sing.

## The Second Reading

**I**n those days, a decree went out from Caesar Augustus (the emperor in far-off Rome) that all the world should be taxed. (This taxing was first imposed when Quirinius was governor of Syria) Everyone went to be taxed, each to his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, in Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, for he was of the house and lineage of David, to be taxed with Mary, his betrothed wife, who was soon to have a child.

## Hymn

"O Little town of Bethlehem"

*Forest Green*

### *Verse 1 Solo*

1. O Little town of Bethlehem  
How still we see the lie!  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep  
The silent stars go by;  
Yet in thy dark streets shineth  
The everlasting light;  
The hopes and fears of all the years  
Are met in thee tonight

### *Congregation sings*

2. O holy child of Bethlehem,  
Descend to us, we pray;  
Cast out our sin and enter in,  
Be born in us today.  
We hear the Christmas angels  
The great glad tidings tell;  
O come to us, abide with us,  
Our Lord, Emmanuel!



## The Third Reading

So it came to pass that while they were there, the time arrived for her child to be delivered. She brought forth her first-born son, wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

### Duet

“Away In a Manger”

*Cradle Song*

1. **Mary:** 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. **Joseph:** 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. **Mary & Joseph:** Be near me Lord Jesus; I ask thee to stay  
Close by me forever, and love me I pray.  
Bless all the dear children in thy tender care  
And fit us for heaven to live with thee there.

## The Fourth Reading

There were, in that same country, shepherds, abiding in the fields, keeping watch over their flocks by night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were very afraid.

But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy, which is coming to all your people. For to you is born this day, in the city of David, a Savior who is Christ, the Lord. And this will be a sign to you: you will find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

### Hymn

“The First Nowell”

*Please remain seated*

#### **Verse 1 Solo**

1. The first Nowell the angel did say  
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay  
In fields as they lay, keeping their sheep,  
On a cold winter’s night that was so deep.

**All** 2. Then let us all with one accord  
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord;  
That hath made heaven and earth of nought  
And with his blood mankind hath bought.

*Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,  
Born is the King of Israel*



## The Fifth Reading

**S**uddenly, there was with the angel, a multitude of the Heavenly Host, praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest, and peace on earth toward all whom he favors.”

*Please remain seated.*

### Harp Interlude

*Alyson Wang, Asian Harp*

### Anthem

“Angels We Have Heard on High”

*Sung by the Angel Choir*

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| <b>1.</b><br>Angels we have heard on high<br>Singing sweetly through the night,<br>And the mountains in reply<br>Echoing their brave delight | <b>2.</b><br>Shepherds why this jubilee?<br>Why these songs of happy cheer?<br>What great brightness did you see?<br>What glad tidings did you hear? |
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**Refrain:** *Gloria in excelsis Deo*  
*Gloria in excelsis Deo*

## The Sixth Reading

**T**he Shepherds said to one another, “Let us go into Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us.”

They went with all speed, and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in the manger.

*Please remain seated*

### Anthem

“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”

*Mendelssohn*

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| <b>1</b><br>Hark, the herald-angels sing<br>glory to the new-born King,<br>peace on earth, and mercy mild,<br>God and sinners reconciled.<br>Joyful, all ye nations rise,<br>join the triumph of the skies;<br>with the angelic host proclaim,<br>'Christ is born in Bethlehem.'<br>Hark, the herald-angels sing<br>glory to the new-born King. | <b>2</b><br>Hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace:<br>hail, the Sun of Righteousness.<br>Light and life to all he brings,<br>risen with healing in his wings.<br>Mild he lays his glory by,<br>born that man no more may die,<br>born to raise the sons of earth,<br>born to give them second birth.<br>Hark, the herald-angels sing<br>glory to the new-born King. |
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## The Seventh Reading

**A**nd when the shepherds had seen it, they went about telling people what had been told to them about this child. And all who heard it marveled at the things which the shepherds told them.



## Hymn

### “Go Tell It on the Mountain”

*The Troubadour will sing the verses. The cast and congregation will join on the refrain after verses 1 and 2.*

**Refrain:** Go tell it on the Mountain, over the hills and everywhere;  
Go tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!

1. While shepherds watch were keeping,  
O'er silent flocks by night  
Behold throughout the heavens  
There shone a holy light. *Refrain*

2. Down in a lowly manger  
the humble Christ was born  
and God sent us salvation  
that blessed Christmas morn. *Refrain*

## The Eighth Reading

**Now**, when Jesus was born in Bethlehem, in the days of Herod the king, certain wise men from the East came to Jerusalem. “Where is the new-born King of the Jews?” they asked, for we have seen his star arise, and have come to worship him.”

*Please remain seated.*

## Interlude

“As with Gladness”

*Sung by Troubadour and Friends*

1. As with gladness men of old  
Did the guiding star behold  
As with joy, they hailed its light,  
Leading onward, beaming bright:  
So, most gracious Lord, may we  
Evermore be led to thee.

2. As with joyful steps they sped  
to that lowly manger bed  
There to bend the knee before  
him whom heaven and earth adore;  
So may we with willing feet  
Ever seek the mercy seat

## The Ninth Reading

**The** star that they had seen rise went before them till it came to the place where the young child was, and there it stopped. When they saw the star, they were exceedingly glad. They went into the house, and when they saw the young child with Mary, his mother, they fell down and worshipped him. They opened their treasures, and presented to him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

## Hymn

“We Three Kings”

*Three Kings of Orient*

✧ *The people remain seated. During the 5<sup>th</sup> Verse, the congregation may light their tapers* ✧

1. (**Kings**) We three kings of Orient are,  
Bearing gifts we traverse afar,  
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,  
Following yonder star **Refrain**

2. (**Caspar**) Born a King on Bethlehem's plain  
Gold I bring to crown him again,  
King for ever, ceasing never,  
Over us all to reign **Refrain**

**Refrain (Congregation)** *O star of wonder, star of night, Star with royal beauty bright  
Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to thy perfect light*



3. (**Balthazar**) Frankincense to offer have I:  
Incense owns a Deity nigh  
Prayer and praising, All men raising  
Worship him God most high. **Refrain**

4. (**Melchior**) Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume  
Breathes a life of gathering gloom;  
Sorrowing, sighing, Bleeding, dying  
Sealed in the stone-cold tomb. **Refrain**

5. (**Congregation**) Glorious now, behold him arise, King and God and sacrifice  
Heaven sings alleluia, Alleluia the earth replies. **Refrain**

*The people stand.*

### The Collect at the Crèche

**Priest:** The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.

**People:** And we behold his glory

**Priest:** Kneeling, let us pray.

☉ **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. **Amen.**

### Hymn

“Silent Night”

*Stille Nacht*

1. (**Pageant Cast**) 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.  
Sleep in heavenly peace

2. (**All sing**) Silent night, holy night  
Shepherds quake at the sight  
Glories stream from heaven afar  
Heavenly hosts sing alleluia  
Christ the savior is born!  
Christ the savior is born!

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.  
Jesus, Lord at thy birth.

*As all remain kneeling, the Priest offers a concluding prayer*

**Almighty God**, you have given your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and to be born this night 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.**





*The people stand and join in singing.*

**Hymn**

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

*Adeste Fideles*

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*

2. Yea, Lord, we greet thee  
Born this happy morning;  
Jesus, to thee be glory given;  
Word of the Father  
Now in flesh appearing: *Refrain*

**Refrain** *O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him  
Christ the Lord.*

**The Peace** *Please remain in your pew and greet those around you.*

**Welcome and announcements**

**Offertory Anthem:**

*Carol of the Bells*

M. Leontovych

*arr. Leytush*

**Festival Doxology**

*Vigiles et Sancti*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise him all creatures here below  
Alleluia, Alleluia

Praise him above, ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia Alleluia

**The Holy Communion**

**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 him thanks and praise.



*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where 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:



*Celebrant and People sing together*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.



*The people stand or kneel. Then 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

***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 The blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Joseph, 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. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

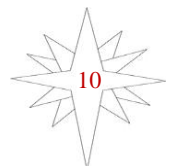
*People and Celebrant*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name...for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.*

**Celebrant** : Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People** Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.



**All sing the Agnus Dei** : Jesus, lamb of God, have mercy on us, Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us, Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world, give us your peace, give us your peace.

*The Celebrant says the following invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ was born and died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*Communion will be distributed at the foot of the chancel steps. All baptized Christians are welcome and encouraged to receive Communion. Anyone who so desires may come forward for a blessing. To indicate this intention, please cross your arms over your chest. Should you find it difficult to approach the altar, please let an usher know and we will bring the Sacrament to you.*

## Communion Hymns

### “It Came Upon the Midnight Clear”

*Carol*

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 earth, good will to men,  
from heaven's gracious King."  
The world in solemn stillness lay  
to 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

### “The Snow Lay on the Ground”

*Venite adoremus*

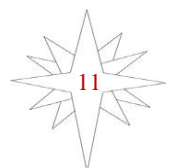
1. The snow lay on the ground, the stars shone bright,  
when Christ our Lord was born on Christmas night.  
Venite adoremus Dominum.  
Venite adoremus Dominum. *Refrain*

3. Saint Joseph, too, was by to tend the child;  
to guard him, and protect his mother mild;  
the angels hovered round, and sang this song,  
Venite adoremus Dominum. *Refrain*

*Refrain: Venite adoremus Dominum. Venite adoremus Dominum.*

2. 'Twas Mary, daughter pure of holy Anne,  
that brought into this world the God made man.  
She laid him in a stall at Bethlehem;  
the ass and oxen shared the roof with them. *Refrain*

4. And thus that manger poor became a throne;  
for he whom Mary bore was God the Son.  
O come, then, let us join the heavenly host,  
to praise the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. *Refrain*



- 1. In the bleak midwinter, frosty wind made moan,  
earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone;  
snow had fallen, snow on snow, snow on snow,  
in the bleak midwinter, long ago.
- 2. Our God, heaven cannot hold him, nor earth sustain;  
heaven and earth shall flee away when he comes to reign:  
in the bleak midwinter, a stable-place sufficed  
the Lord God incarnate, Jesus Christ.
- 3. Angels and archangels may have gathered there,  
cherubim and seraphim throngèd the air;  
but his mother only, in her maiden bliss,  
worshiped the beloved with a kiss.
- 4. What can I give him, poor as I am?  
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;  
if I were a wise man, I would do my part;  
yet what I can I give him— give my heart.

*After Communion, the Celebrant says* Let us pray

***Celebrant and people***

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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**The Blessing** *The priest blesses the People, saying,*

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

**Choral Benediction**

*On A Chill December Night*

Rhys T. Ritter

**Hymn in Procession**

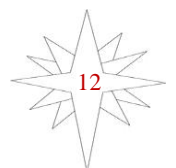
“Joy to the World”

*Antioch* Arrangement: A. Leytush

- 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,  
And heaven and nature sing,  
And heaven, and heaven and nature sing.
- 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,  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.
- 3. No more let sin and sorrows grow,  
Nor thorns infest the ground;  
He comes to make his blessings flow  
Far as the curse is found  
Far as the curse is found  
Far as, far as the curse is found
- 4. He rules the world with truth and grace  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of his righteousness  
And wonders of his love,  
And wonders of his love,  
And wonders, and wonders of his love.

***Celebrant:*** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, our new-born King.

***People:*** Thanks be to God!



## The Pageant Cast

<b>Narrator</b> .....	The Rector	<b>Star Bearer</b> .....	Seth Monfiston
<b>Mary</b> .....	Diana Gilday	<b>The Shepherds</b> .....	Samuel Park, David Delotte-Bennet, Joshua Diaz
<b>Joseph</b> .....	Michael Sullivan	<b>Archangel</b> .....	Christina Diaz
<b>Gabriel</b> .....	Alyson Wang	<b>The Angels</b> .....	Hanna Bjornson Emily Carranza , Rosemary Diaz, Lulu Xavier, Susanna Xavier
<b>The Magi</b> .....	Charles Oluoch Fred Xavier, Albert Agyeman		
<b>Troubadour</b> .....	Tom Espenshade		

**The Crooks:** Tom Espenshade, *Guitar*; Rose Poyser, *Guitar*; Arkady Leytush, *Piano*;  
Nikki Bernstein, *Trumpet*, Bernie Levenson, *Bass*



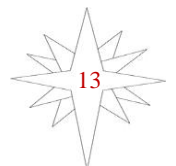
**Director:** Susan Byrne

**Lighting / Audio/ Tech:** Teddy Byrne, Diana Gilday, John Sullivan, Robert Earle

**Costume Mistress:** Iris Monfiston

**Many Thanks to:** all the parents, grandparents, and parishioners who gave of their time and talent to support this pageant. **Special thanks to:** Stephanie Hornback

**On the cover:** *Joyful Nativity II* by Nora Palmieri



## Assisting at the Christmas Services

**The Altar Guild:** Stella Elder, *Directress*. Diana Schillizzi, *Sacristan* Megan Adames, Diane Ambrose, Francesca Bergenn Sally Bergmeyer, Susan Byrne, Carol Crowe, Karen Friedl, Nina Selvaggio, Justine Spicer

**The Acolytes Guild:** Christopher Batashoff, *Head Acolyte*  
Albert Agyeman, Daniel Batashoff, Samuel Park, Hana Bjornson, Emily Carranza, Bridget Cossman

**All Saints Ushers:** Judy Batashoff, Ed Benedict, Nancy Benedict,  
Megan Adames Kwame Agyeman, Robert Earle, Sharon Earle, Brianne Leslie  
Hervey Monfiston, John Sandrowsky, Karrie Sheridan, Paul Walton

**Lectors:**           **5:00 PM** Pageant Cast           **11:00 PM** Susan Byrne

**The St. Cecelia Choir:** Arkady Leytush, Organist/Choirmaster

**Soprano:** Susan Byrne, Marjorie Boyden-Edmonds, Karen Friedl, Arlette White **Tenor:** Laurence Byrne, Fred Xavier **Bass:** Tom Espenshade



## Notices

### Service Schedule

**Christmas Day:** 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist ✠ **Next Sunday, December 31, 2023:** 8:00 AM ✠  
10:00 Christmas Lessons and Carols with Holy Communion. **January 1:** 11:00 AM Holy Eucharist,  
Rite II

### Liturgical Gifts

The Sanctuary Lamp is given to the glory of God and in celebration of Kristen Belle Tonnesen by her parish family.

### Thank You

Sincere thanks to the choir, Altar Guild, acolytes, guest musicians, and all who contributed to making the pageant and the Christmas, services, and the church beautiful for Christmas. Special thanks to Stella Elder for compiling the flower offering list, and to Teddy Byrne for countless hours of work producing, directing, and constantly improving our live streams and videos.

### Looking Ahead

**Friday, January 19<sup>th</sup> Family Game Night** Whether you are a family of one or of many, come out and play a variety of games with family and friends. 7:00 PM

**Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup> Candlemas celebration.** 10:00 AM



**Christmas Quiz**

1. Jesus was born in the town of \_\_\_\_\_ a) Nazareth b) Bethlehem c) Hackensack
2. John the Baptist was Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_ a) brother b) nephew c) cousin
3. The name of the snowman narrator in the Rudolph TV special is \_\_\_\_\_ a) Sam b) Frostwell c) Burlly
4. Why did Mary & Joseph go to "Royal David's City?" a) To visit Joseph's dad b) For the census & taxing c) Better hospitals.
5. How many sizes did the Grinch's small heart grow? a) 10 b) 43 c) 3

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**Christmas Tree Maze**

Can you find your way from the base of the Christmas tree all the way to the star?

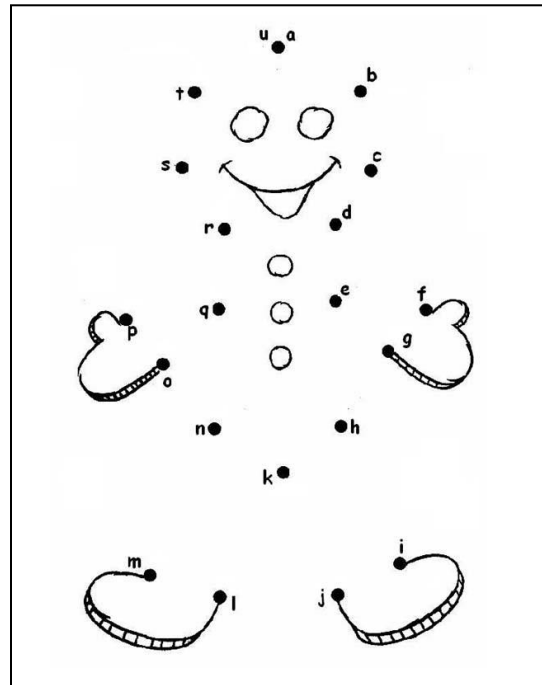


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**Christmas Word Search**

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BETHLEHEM	HEAVEN	JESUS	SAVIOR
CANDLE	HOLY SPIRIT	KINGS	STAR
DONKEY	INNKEEPER	MANGER	WISEMAN





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