

**All Saints Episcopal Church
Bayside, New York**



Christmas Day, December 25, 2023

The Holy Eucharist, Rite I

10:00 AM



ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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WELCOME TO ALL SAINTS

Whether you are a first-time visitor, long-time parishioner, or somewhere in between, we are honored and enriched by your on-line presence this morning, and offer you a sincere welcome home to this parish church. Although many of us we are physically apart, we are together in heart and mind.

As we worship, we encourage you to join fully in the prayers and hymns and to share spiritually in the Holy Communion. If you are at home, sing out the great hymns of the Church and make the responses out loud. If here, for safety's sake just hum along!

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.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER LIST

Veronica Scanlon, Kristen Tonnesen and family, Bill Waid, Paul Parfrey, Carolyn Magruder, Patricia Ravert, Birgit Tonnesen, Carol Tonnesen, The Feller Family, The Arrington Family, Frank Torre, Eugenia Kryphik, Raymond, Diane, Anthony, Joseph Tesar, Sal Vizzini, Skylar and Zachary Matthews, Che'ade Delotte-Bennett, Talley, Kem, Diana, Leola, Jim White, The Lugo Family, Catherine Collins, Harry Stafilis, Ruth Rutigliano, Facchin, Charles Gilmore, Clif Seale, Neil and Caroline Magruder, Ellen, Jonelle McEachern, Linda Scavo, The Ryan Family, Virginia Presinal, Neil Ward, Pete Kroeger, Jesus Muñoz, Roseann Scavo, Michael Madden, Tara Irazarry, Rosanne Kroeger, Kristen Tonnesen and family, Brian Blinn, The Campos Family, Kim McDaniel, Rita Smith, Quaranta, Brad, Paulette, Fred, Sister Mary Owen, Russ, Albert, Donna Winters, Barbara and Paul Kennedy, Debbie and Randy Martin, Andrea Bendanillo, Richard Byrne, Charles Smith, William Newman, Jack Lugo, Bridget, All those served by our Blessing Box Ministry, all victims of gun violence, all those whose lives are torn by war throughout the world





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Prelude

Opening Hymn

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Hymnal 96

1 O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
2 God from God, Light from Light e - ter - nal,
3 Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,

1 come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem;
2 lo! he ab - hors not the Vir - gin's womb;
3 sing, all ve ci - ti - zens of heaven a - bove:

1 come, and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
2 on - ly - be - got - ten Son of the Fa - ther;
3 glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est;

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.

Yea, lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning!
Jesus to thee be all glory given
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing *refrain*

Opening Sentences and Collect for Purity

All standing, the Celebrant says The Word became flesh and dwelt among us
People *And we behold his glory*

The Celebrant says the Collect for Purity: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Song of Praise



1 An - gels we have heard on high, sing - ing sweet - ly through the night,
4 See him in a man - ger laid whom the an - gels praise a - bove;



and the moun - tains in re - ply ech - o - ing their brave de - light.
Ma - ry, Jo - seph, lend your aid, while we raise our hearts in love.



Refrain
Glo - - - - - ri - a



in ex - cel - sis De - o. Glo - - - - -



- - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.

The Collect of the Day:

Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* **And with thy spirit.** *Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin: Grant that we, being regenerate and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit ever, one God, world without end. *Amen*

The First Lesson

Isaiah 52:7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns." Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices, together they sing for joy; for in plain sight they see the return of the Lord to Zion. Break forth

together into singing, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the Lord has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem. The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 98

- 1 Sing to the Lord a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.
- 2 With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory.
- 3 The Lord has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
shout with joy before the King, the Lord.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
when he comes to judge the earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples with equity.



Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

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Sequence Hymn

God Rest You Merry, Gentleman



1 God rest you mer - ry, gen - tle - men, let noth - ing you dis - may;
 2 From God our heaven - ly Fa - ther a bless - ed an - gel came
 3 "Fear not, then," said the an - gel, "Let noth - ing you af - fright;
 4 Now to the Lord sing prais - es, all you with - in this place,



re - mem - ber Christ our Sa - vior was born on Christ - mas Day,
 and un - to cer - tain shep - herds brought tid - ings of the same:
 this day is born a Sa - vior of a pure vir - gin bright,
 and with true love and char - i - ty each o - ther now em - brace;



to save us all from Sa - tan's power when we were gone a - stray.
 how that in Beth - le - hem was born the Son of God by name.
 to free all those who trust in him from Sa - tan's power and might."
 this ho - ly tide of Christ - mas doth bring re - deem - ing grace.



Refrain
 O tid - ings of com - fort and joy, com - fort and



joy; O tid - ings of com - fort and joy!

The Holy Gospel

John 1:1-14

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light,

which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

The Homily

Fr. Byrne

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the
Virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius
Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at
the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,
the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped
and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and
apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the
forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People *The Leader and People pray responsively*

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; *That we all may be one.*
Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; *That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*
We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

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

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; *That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Give to the departed eternal rest; *Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

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

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The Peace *Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.
 People And also with thy spirit

Welcome and Announcements

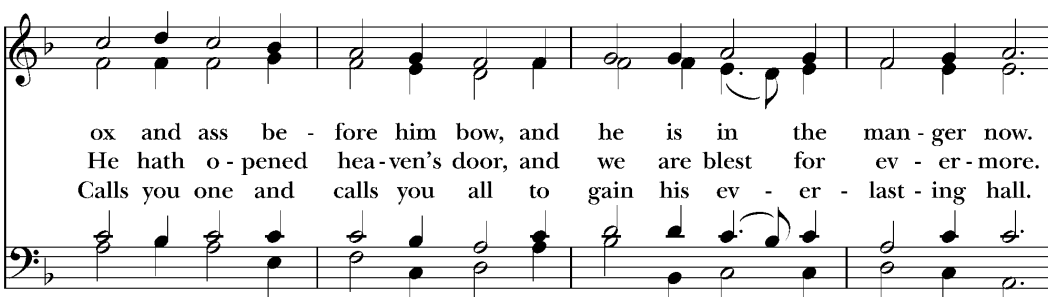
The Offertory Hymn (H.107) *Good Christian Friends Rejoice* IN DULCI JUBILO



1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;
2 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;
3 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;



give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ is born to - day;
now ye hear of end - less bliss; Je - sus Christ was born for this!
now ye need not fear the grave: Je - sus Christ was born to save!



ox and ass be - fore him bow, and he is in the man - ger now.
He hath o - pened hea - ven's door, and we are blest for ev - er - more.
Calls you one and calls you all to gain his ev - er - last - ing hall.

Christ is born to - day! Christ is born to - day!
 Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!
 Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer II

Celebrant: The Lord be with you

People: And with thy spirit

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts

People: We lift them up to the Lord

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God

People: It is meet and right so to do



The Celebrant proceeds It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty... Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Celebrant and People Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel or stand. Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth.....

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. AMEN.

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

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

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia!

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.


THE COMMUNION OF THE FAITHFUL

Communion will be distributed at the foot of the chancel steps All baptized Christians are welcome and encouraged to receive the Sacrament in this Church. ☦ Those worshipping remotely may say the act of Spiritual Communion which will be on your screen.

Communion Hymn (H. 101)

Away in a Manger


CRADLE SONG




1 A - way in a man-ger, no crib for his bed,
2 The cat - tle are low - ing, the ba - by a - wakes,
*3 Be near me, Lord Je - sus; I ask thee to stay



the lit - tle Lord Je - sus laid down his sweet head.
but lit - tle Lord Je - sus no cry - ing he makes.
close by me for ev - er, and love me I pray.



The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,
I love thee, Lord Je - sus! Look down from the sky,
Bless all the dear chil - dren in thy ten - der care,



the lit - tle Lord Je - sus a - sleep on the hay.
and stay by my side un - til morn - ing is nigh.
and fit us for hea - ven to live with thee there.

After Communion, the Celebrant says, Let us pray together:

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do

all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Blessing

May Almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin. **Amen.** ✠ May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love. **Amen.** ✠ May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be rewarded with unending life. **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.**

Closing Hymn

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing



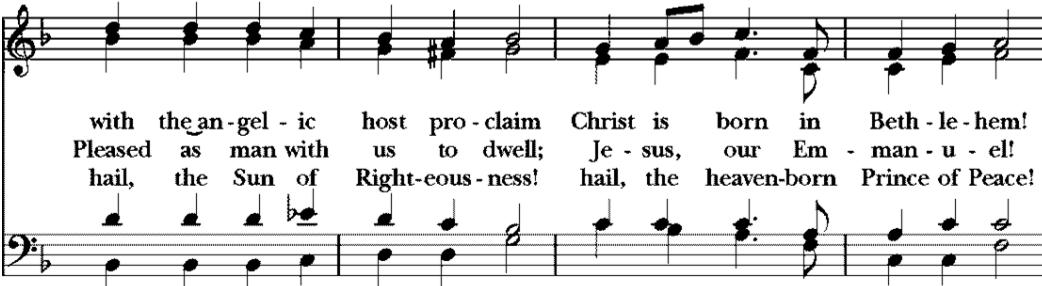
1 Hark! the her-ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new - born King!
2 Christ, by high-est heaven a - dored; Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord;
3 Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,



Peace on earth and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!
late in time be - hold him come, off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb.
born to raise us from the earth, born to give us sec - ond birth.



Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, join the tri - umph of the skies;
Veiled in flesh the God - head see; hail the in - car - nate De - i - ty.
Risen with heal - ing in his wings, light and life to all he brings,



with the an - gel - ic host pro - claim Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!
Pleased as man with us to dwell; Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el!
hail, the Sun of Right - eous - ness! hail, the heaven - born Prince of Peace!



Dismissal Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, the new-born King

Thanks be to God!

Postlude



Thank You

Sincere thanks to all who contributed to the Christmas services, especially the members of the Altar Guild who “decked our hall,” Teddy Byrne, our technical director, Arkady Leytush and the choir, the Acolytes Guild and all of you who have been flexible in this challenging Christmas.



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