

The Second Sunday after Christmas Day

January 2, 2022

10:00 AM



The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Celebrant & Preacher - The Very Reverend David Allard duPlantier

It is the tradition of the Episcopal Church to maintain silence in the worship area so that people may pray. Please help us preserve an atmosphere of quiet reverence before worship begins, remembering to turn pagers and cell phones off; let the music of the opening voluntary quiet your thoughts as you prepare for worship. Face masks are required. Large-print Prayer Books are available at the Usher's Stand. This liturgy is being webcast on YouTube. Those seated in the front of the nave may briefly appear on camera.

The Word of God

OPENING VOLUNTARY - Prelude on "Joseph Dearest, Joseph Mine" (2002)..... Marc Loudon

When the bell sounds, please stand and sing.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #109 - The first Nowell *The First Nowell*

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.

GLORY TO GOD *Gloria in excelsis*


1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and


peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly


King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we


give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus


Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you


take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy


on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. 6. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One,
 you a-lone are the Lord, 7. 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 COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE FIRST LESSON ~ Jeremiah 31:7-14

Thus says the LORD: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel." See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn. Hear the word of the LORD, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock." For the LORD has ransomed Jacob, and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again. Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty, says the LORD.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 84:1-8 *Quam dilecta!*

- 1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts! *
 My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD;
 my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 2 The sparrow has found her a house
 and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; *
 by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts,
 my King and my God.
- 3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! *
 they will always be praising you.
- 4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *
 whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
- 5 Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, *
 for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

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- 6 They will climb from height to height, *
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.
- 7 LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; *
hearken, O God of Jacob.
- 8 Behold our defender, O God; *
and look upon the face of your Anointed.

THE SECOND LESSON - Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE HOLY GOSPEL - Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the wise men had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him." Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, "Out of Egypt I have called my son." When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead." Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, "He will be called a Nazorean."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

Prayer Book, Page 358

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, Form III

Prayer Book, Page 387

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

(Organ)

Al-le-lu - ia. Christ our Pass-o-ver is sac-ri - ficed ___ for
us: There-fore let ___ us keep the feast. Al-le-lu - ia. ___

THE INVITATION TO AND DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

During this time, we offer communion in one kind (bread only). Please come forward, maintaining physical distance, receive the wafer from the priest and return to your seat.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Prayer Book, Page 365/366

THE BLESSING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN #128 ~ We three king of Orient are..... *Three Kings of Orient*

THE DISMISSAL

People Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY ~ Carillon on a Ukrainian Bell Carol Gerald Near

We thank Marc Loudon for playing the organ today.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2022 Contribution envelopes are in the back of the cathedral for those who wish them.

Volunteer Opportunity - Our neighbors at Bethlehem Lutheran Church (1823 Washington Ave) offer a free hot meal at noon every Wednesday and Saturday. They have invited us to join them in helping to serve this meal. The sign-up sheet to volunteer can be found on the website listed below. Helping out doesn't require any expertise with food prep, their chef can give any instructions that are necessary. You can see more about it, including a pdf that can be shared, here: <https://www.blcnola.org/communitytable>.

Winter Adult Education Program

Beginning on January 26, an hour-long adult education program will be offered in the Cathedral House on six Wednesday afternoons and the same course will be offered on a Saturday morning through mid-afternoon (with lunch).

The course is *From Jesus to Christ to the Church: Scripture and Patristic Literature in the Formation of the Christian Faith*. Although the course will be offered in person (with appropriate health precautions), efforts are being made to have it available to those who wish to participate in the course online. Although the suggested readings for the program will all be in the New Testament, reference will be made to early Christian writings—some accepted as important for the development of the orthodox Faith and others that were rejected by the Church as ‘heterodox’ and a danger to the true Faith. Although reading the entire New Testament will help participants understand the material best (it is suggested that reading Paul’s Epistles will be most helpful—even more helpful than reading the Gospels—all of Paul’s letters were written prior to Mark’s Gospel!

More detailed information about schedule and the course outline will be available prior to the New Year.

- *The Reverend Canon Dr. David B. Lowry*

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THE WEEK OF JANUARY 2, 2022

SUNDAY

The Second Sunday after Christmas Day

10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Sung) (Cathedral)

11:15 AM Coffee Hour (Stuart Hall)

6:00 PM Real Presence

MONDAY

7:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel, Facebook Live)

12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)

TUESDAY

7:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel, Facebook Live)

10:00 AM Staff Meeting

12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)

5:30 PM Yoga in the Cathedral

WEDNESDAY

7:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel, Facebook Live)

12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Harris Chapel)

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

The Feast of the Epiphany

7:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel, Facebook Live)

10:00 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

FRIDAY

7:30 AM Morning Prayer (Chapel, Facebook Live)

10:00 PM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

SATURDAY

6:00 PM Wedding

SUNDAY

The First Sunday after the Epiphany

9:55 AM Christian Formation for Children

10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Sung) (Cathedral)

11:15 AM Coffee Hour (Stuart Hall)

6:00 PM Real Presence

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