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# The Second Sunday after Christmas Day

January 3, 2021

10:00 AM

The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Celebrant & Preacher - The Very Reverend David Allard duPlantier



## The Word of God

### OPENING VOLUNTARY

#### AT THE ENTRANCE

*The Schola sings*

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| 1 The first Nowell the angel did say<br>was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;<br>in fields as they lay, keeping their sheep,<br>on a cold winter's night that was so deep. | 2 They looked up and saw a star<br>shining in the east beyond them far,<br>and to the earth it gave great light,<br>and so it continued both day and night. |
| 3 And by the light of that same star<br>three wise men came from country far;<br>to seek for a king was their intent,<br>and to follow the star wherever it went.                         | 4 This star drew nigh to the northwest,<br>over Bethlehem it took its rest,<br>and there it did both stop and stay<br>right over the place where Jesus lay. |

*Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,  
born is the King of Israel.*

### 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.

*The Schola sings*

### GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### 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.*

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**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.

*The Schola sings*

**PSALM 84:1-8** *Quam dilecta!*

*Antiphon: How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts!*

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| 1 | How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! *<br>My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;<br>my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. | 5 | Those who go through the desolate valley<br>will find it a place of springs, *<br>for the early rains have covered it<br>with pools of water. |
| 2 | The sparrow has found her a house<br>and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; *<br>by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts,<br>my King and my God.       | 6 | They will climb from height to height, *<br>and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.  |
| 3 | Happy are they who dwell in your house! *<br>they will always be praising you.  | 7 | Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; *<br>hearken, O God of Jacob.  |
| 4 | Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *<br>whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.  | 8 | Behold our defender, O God; *<br>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.

*Please stand - the Schola sings*

**ALLELUIA & VERSE**

V. The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us,  
full of grace and truth.

**THE HOLY GOSPEL** - Matthew 2:1-12

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

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking,

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“Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.” When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: ‘And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.’” Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.” When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

### THE SERMON

### 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, Form III

*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.*

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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 People may add their own petitions.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

#### THE PEACE

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

*People* And also with you.

## The Liturgy of the Table

#### ANTHEM

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| 1 On this day earth shall ring<br>with the song children sing<br>to the Lord, Christ our King,<br>born on earth to save us;<br>him the Father gave us.      | 2 His the doom, ours the mirth;<br>when he came down to earth<br>Bethlehem saw his birth;<br>ox and ass beside him<br>from the cold would hide him.           |
| 3 God's bright star, o'er his head,<br>Wise Men three to him led;<br>kneel they low by his bed,<br>lay their gifts before him,<br>praise him and adore him. | 4 On this day angels sing;<br>with their song earth shall ring,<br>praising Christ, heaven's King,<br>born on earth to save us;<br>peace and love he gave us. |

*Ideo Ideo, Ideo, gloria in excelsis Deo!*

Music: Adolphe Charles Adam

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ~ Eucharistic Prayer B

#### SURSUM CORDA

*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.

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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*The Schola sings*

#### SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

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.

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*(Standing or Kneeling)*

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,

**MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION** *(Said by all)*

We remember his death.  
We proclaim his resurrection.  
We await his coming in glory.

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer this 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 [\_\_\_\_\_ 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 for ever. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has 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.
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**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*The Schola sings*

**THE FRACTION ANTHEM**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

**THE INVITATION TO AND DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

*As you approach the table for the bread, please sanitize your hands. Please be sure your mask is in place totally over your nose and observe at least 6 feet of physical distance. Return to your seat. The Celebrant will indicate the time to consume the bread. Return the paper cup to the basket by the St. Charles entrance at the end of the liturgy.*

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*The Schola sings*

**CAROL**

We three kings

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

*Celebrant:* 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 Christ our Lord. Amen.

**THE BLESSING**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE DISMISSAL**

*People* Thanks be to God.

**THE RETIRING PROCESSION**

*The Schola sings*

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| 1 Brightest and best of the stars of the morning,<br>low lies his head with the beasts of the stall:<br>angels adore him in slumber reclining.<br>guide where our infant Redeemer is laid. | 2 Cold on his cradle the dewdrops are shining,<br>low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;<br>angels adore him in slumber reclining,<br>Maker and Monarch and Savior of all.      |
| 3 Vainly we offer each ample oblation,<br>vainly with gifts would his favor secure,<br>richer by far is the heart's adoration,<br>dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.               | 4 Brightest and best of the stars of the morning,<br>dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid;<br>star of the east, the horizon adorning,<br>guide where our infant Redeemer is laid. |

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

*Our thanks go to Jethro Celestin, Claire Givens, Olivia Seal, and Nicholas Yetter  
for singing this morning.*

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**THE WEEK OF JANUARY 3, 2021**

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

6:00 PM Evening Eucharist, Rite II (Cathedral)

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

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

WEDNESDAY

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

5:30 PM Zoom Evening Prayer

THURSDAY

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

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