

The First Sunday after Christmas Day

December 29, 2019

10:00 AM



The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Celebrant - The Reverend Bridget K. Tierney

Preacher - The Very Reverend David Allard duPlantier, *Dean*

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.

The Word of God

OPENING VOLUNTARY ~ Pastorale..... Louis Vierne

When the bell sounds, please stand and sing.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #93 ~ Angels, from the realms of glory *Regent Square*

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.

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE FIRST LESSON ~ Isaiah 61:10—62:3

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations. For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

All say

PSALM 147:13-21 *Laudate Dominum*

- 13 Worship the Lord, O Jerusalem; *
praise your God, O Zion;
- 14 For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; *
he has blessed your children within you.
- 15 He has established peace on your borders; *
he satisfies you with the finest wheat.
- 16 He sends out his command to the earth, *
and his word runs very swiftly.
- 17 He gives snow like wool; *
he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.
- 18 He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; *
who can stand against his cold?
- 19 He sends forth his word and melts them; *
he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.
- 20 He declares his word to Jacob, *
his statutes and his judgments to Israel.

21 He has not done so to any other nation; *
to them he has not revealed his judgments.
Hallelujah!

THE SECOND LESSON ~ Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian. But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

HYMN #105 ~ God rest you merry, gentlemen *God Rest You Merry*

THE HOLY GOSPEL ~ John 1:1-18

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

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. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

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 IV

Prayer Book, Page 388

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Liturgy of the Table

ORGAN VOLUNTARY ~ A Lovely Rose Is Blooming, Op. 122, No. 8..... Johannes Brahms

Please stand and sing

OFFERTORY HYMN #99 ~ Go tell it on the mountain..... *Go Tell It on the Mountain*

THE INVITATION TO AND DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

All persons are welcome at the Lord's table; to receive Holy Communion or a Blessing. Baptized Christians of all ages and denomination may receive the elements. To receive a blessing rather than the elements, cross your arms over your chest as you kneel at the altar rail. To receive communion please hold out your crossed hands, open palms up, for the bread, and then help guide the chalice to your lips to receive the wine; cross your arms over your chest if you do not wish to receive the wine. Please blot lipstick before drinking from the chalice. You may also allow the chalice minister to dip the bread into the wine and place it on your tongue and it is permissible to receive only the bread if you like.

To receive an individual prayer of healing with anointing (Unction), go to the chapel after you receive Communion. Kneel as you are able at the altar rail in the chapel leaving some space between you and the next person for privacy. Return to the cathedral after the priest has prayed with you.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Prayer Book, Page 365/366

THE BLESSING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN #100 - Joy to the world! the Lord is come..... *Antioch*

THE DISMISSAL

People Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY - Carillon de la Chateau du Longpont..... *Louis Vierne*

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God.

Many thanks go to Marc Loudon for playing the organ this morning.

Please Join Us For Coffee Hour – Immediately following this service we gather in Stuart Hall for refreshments and conversation; all are invited to attend. Use the exit at the front of the cathedral next to the organ pipes, turn left to access the hallway, and then follow the long hallway to the right; Stuart Hall is on the right. Guests are especially welcome.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Save the Dates

- Tuesday, January 14, 2020 - Organ Recital by Adam Cobb - The complete Nativity Suite by Olivier Messiaen

Success of our Little Free Library - Due to the increased patronage of our original Little Free Library at St. Charles Avenue and Sixth Street, we have opened a second location in the office entryway, which is proving extremely popular. There is an urgent need for gently used hard cover and paperback books, especially those for children. Please leave your donations in the back of the cathedral or chapel for weekly pickup, or in the basket provided in the office entryway during the week.

Donors needed for Altar Flowers in Cathedral and Chapel - Please sign up today on the chart next to Stuart Hall, or for more information, contact Sandy Jackson - sditta@tulane.edu.

Please consider hosting Coffee Hour after a 10:00 AM Sunday Eucharist. This is a vital part of our ministry. The sign-up sheet is in Stuart Hall.

If you or a family member is hospitalized or shut-in, please contact the parish secretary during office hours or call one of us directly on our mobile phones at any time and leave a voice message if necessary. If the situation is not urgent you may also contact us via email (copying the parish secretary as well.) Please DO NOT use text messages, Facebook or any other instant message platform to communicate sensitive or urgent information, as their reliability is inconsistent.



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THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 29, 2019

SUNDAY

8:00 AM The Holy Eucharist (1928 Prayer Book)
10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Sung)
10:00 AM Children's Church (Dean's Parlor)
11:15 AM Coffee Hour (Stuart Hall)
11:15 AM Middle/High School Class (Dean's Parlor)
6:00 PM Real Presence

MONDAY

12:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting (Dean's Parlor)
12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
1:00 PM Advent House Book Club
5:30 PM Bodytime Bootcamp (Stuart Hall)

TUESDAY

Office closes at Noon

9:30 AM Staff Meeting (Westfeldt Room)
12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

WEDNESDAY

New Year's Day

12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

THURSDAY

10:00 AM Cathedral Tours
12:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous (*Women Only*)
12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
5:30 PM Bodytime Bootcamp (Stuart Hall)

FRIDAY

12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
6:00 PM Holiday Party

SATURDAY

9:30 AM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
9:30 AM Centering Prayer (AH)
10:00 AM Erascism (Westfeldt Room)

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