



## The First Sunday after Christmas

December 26, 2021 • 9:30 a.m.

### Holy Eucharist Rite II

*A warm welcome to all this Sunday morning! Our worship is guided using the **red** Book of Common Prayer (BCP). Supplemental material from Enriching Our Worship is in this bulletin. Music is found in the **blue** Gather hymnal. Page numbers are as indicated. Feel free to ask a neighbor for help if you have questions about the service. Thank you for being here!!*

**Bold text indicates parts for the Assembly to say.**

*Smaller Italic text offers directions for the service.*

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## Prelude: Musical Selection

## Welcome Announcement

*The People stand as they are able.*

**Processional**

**Hark the Herald Angels Sing**

**Gather 424**

## The Word of God

*Presider* Blessed are you, holy and living One.

*People* **You come to your people and set them free.**

## Song of Praise

## Canticle 20

## Hymnal S280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
King, al - might - y 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**

**Red BCP p.212**

**The First Lesson**

**Isaiah 61:10-62:3**

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

The Second Lesson

Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand as they are able.

Gospel Hymn

Away In a Manger

Hymnal 101



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.

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## **The Gospel**

**John 1:1-28**

*Presider* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

*The Presider proclaims the Gospel and concludes.*

*Presider* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **Sermon**

**The Rev. Joseph Peters-Mathews**

*There will be a period of reflection and silence after the sermon. The people stand as they are able.*

## **The Nicene Creed**

**BCP p.358**

## **The Prayers of the People**

*Please respond to the bidding. "God of Light," with "Grant our prayer." The Presider says a collect to conclude the prayers.*

## **The Peace**

**BCP p.360**

*Presider* The peace of the Lord be always with you

*People* **And also with you.**

*The people greet one another with the peace of Christ, using a friendly gesture such as a smile, wave, or bow.*

## **The Holy Communion**

*The Presider begins the Offertory with a sentence of scripture.*

## **The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer 2**

*Presider*    The Lord be with you.

*People*      **And also with you.**

*Presider*    Lift up your hearts.

*People*      **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Bishop*      Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*      **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*The presider offers thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available in Christ, and in response the people sing:*

Sanctus

Holy Holy Holy

LEVAS 255

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly

ho - ly Lord God of hosts.

Heav - en and earth are filled with your glo -

ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is He who comes in the name

of the Lord, of the Lord.

Ho - san - na in the high -

est, ho - san - na in the high - est

We recall God's acts of salvation history. The presider says the "Words of Institution" that Jesus said at the Last Supper.

During the prayer, the Holy Spirit is invoked to bless and sanctify the gifts of bread and wine and the people gathered in worship. The Great Amen is when the congregation with a unified great voice concurs with all that the presider has prayed. It is the only "Amen" in all capitals found in the Book of Common Prayer, signifying the greatness of the congregation's response.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**BCP p.364**

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**



**Fraction Anthem**

**Lamb of God**

**WLP 868**

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the  
world: have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: grant us peace.

**The Invitation**

**BCP p.364**

Communion Song

In the bleak mid-winter

Hymnal 112



1 In the bleak mid - win - ter, frost - y wind made moan,  
 2 Our God, heaven can - not hold him, nor — earth sus - tain;  
 3 An - gels and arch - an - gels may have gath - ered there,  
 4 What — can I give him, poor — as I am?



earth stood hard as i - ron, wa - ter like a stone;  
 heaven and earth shall flee a - way when he comes to reign:  
 cher - u - bim and se - ra - phim thron - ed the air;  
 If I were a shep - herd, I would bring a lamb;



snow had fal - len, snow on snow, snow — on — snow,  
 in the bleak mid - win - ter a sta - ble - place suf - ficed  
 but his mo - ther on - ly, in her maid - en bliss,  
 if I were a wise — man, I would do my part;



in the bleak mid - win - ter, long a - go.  
 the Lord — God in - car - nate, Je - sus Christ.  
 wor - shiped the be - lov - ed with a kiss.  
 yet what I can I give him— give my heart.

Communion Song

Of the Father's Love Begotten

Gather 427

Post Communion Prayer

BCP p.366

Announcements

Blessing

**The Dismissal**

*Presider* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Liturgical notes:** The opening acclamation and Eucharistic Prayer are from the supplement *Enriching Our Worship*. The full text of the Eucharistic Prayer can be found at [www.sthildastpatrick.org](http://www.sthildastpatrick.org) or by searching “Enriching Our Worship 1 Eucharistic Prayer 1.”

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