



## **The First Sunday after Christmas**

**December 29, 2024 • 10:00 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 other sources 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.*

**PRELUDE: MUSICAL SELECTION**

**WELCOME ANNOUNCEMENT**

*The people stand as they are able.*

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

**ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH**

**GATHER 430**

**OPENING ACCLAMATION**

*Presider* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be God's people, now and forever. Amen.**

**SONG OF PRAISE**

**GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST**

**HYMNAL S-278**



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.

Music: Robert Powell (b. 1932), rev.

### COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP p. 213

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

*The presider prays the Collect of the Day. The people respond **Amen.***

**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 RESPONSE**

**PSALM 147:13-21**

**BCP p. 805**

**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**

**THERE'S A STAR IN THE EAST ON CHRISTMAS MORN**

**LEVAS II 24**



1. There's a star in the east on— Christ - mas morn,  
2. If you take good— heed to the an - gel's words,



1. Rise up shep-herd and fol-low,— It will lead to the place where the  
2. Rise up shep-herd and fol-low,— You'll for - get your flocks, you'll for-



1. Christ was born,— Rise up shep-herd and fol - low.—  
2. get your herds,— Rise up shep-herd and fol - low.—

*Harmony*

Fol - low, fol - low, Rise up shep-herd and fol - low, \_\_\_

Fol - low the Star of Beth - le - hem, \_\_\_ Rise up shep-herd and fol - low. \_\_\_

**THE GOSPEL**

**JOHN 1:1-18**

*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. MARK MILLER**

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

**THE NICENE CREED**

**BCP P. 358**

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Please respond to the bidding "Shine forth in our lives, O God," with "Hallelujah!"*

**THE PEACE**

**BCP P. 360**

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

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

*The people greet their immediate neighbors with the peace of Christ, using a friendly gesture such as a smile, wave, or bow – a symbolic act of their reconciliation with all people through Jesus.*

## **The Holy Communion**

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

### **OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

*The people stand if able.*

### **OFFERTORY HYMN**

**LET ALL MORTAL FLESH KEEP SILENCE**

**GATHER 619**

### **GREAT THANKSGIVING – EUCHARISTIC PRAYER D\***

**BCP P. 372**

*If not already standing, please stand as able. In this prayer, the indented lines in bold are spoken by the People*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift our hearts to God.**

Let us give thanks to the One who created us.

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

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Presider proceeds until*

*Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing:*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and  
 might. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
 God of pow'r and might. Heav - en and earth are  
 full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the  
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the  
 high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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*Then the Presider continues until*

Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and

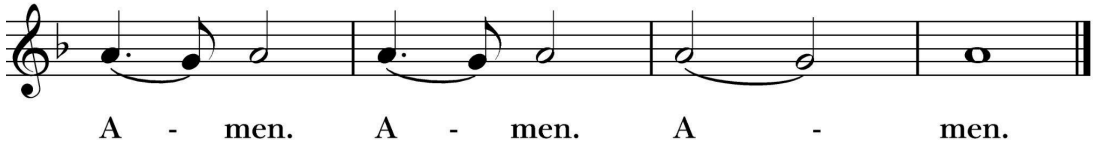
offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you...

*Presider and People*

**We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

*The Prayer continues and concludes with*

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.



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### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**



## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*A minute of silence is observed as the Bread is broken and Wine divided into separate vessels.*

### FRACTION ANTHEM

### LAMB OF GOD

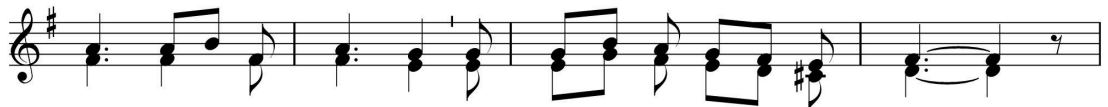
### HYMNAL S164



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:



give us your peace, give us your peace.

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## THE INVITATION

## BCP p. 364

*As soon as the invitation is given, the people move forward to receive Communion.*

*Please come down an aisle to an empty space around the altar platform. Hold your hands in front of you to receive the Bread, and leave it there if you would prefer not to receive Wine from a shared cup. A server will dip your bread and serve you. Alcohol- and gluten-free options are available; let a server know your needs.*

*If you would prefer not to receive Communion, you are invited to come forward, cross your arms over your chest, and receive a blessing. Please join in singing the Communion Songs after receiving.*

**COMMUNION SONG                                 OF THE FATHER'S LOVE BEGOTTEN                                 GATHER 427**

**COMMUNION SONG                                 AWAY IN A MANGER                                 GATHER 448**

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER                                 BCP P. 366**

*When the presider bids the people pray, the assembly stands. Please remain standing through the brief announcements.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE BLESSING**

*The blessing is in four parts. After each part the Presider will pause, and the people respond*  
**Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN                                 JOY TO THE WORLD                                 GATHER 437**

**THE DISMISSAL**

*The presider dismisses the people who respond*

People **Thanks be to God.**

## **Liturgical notes**

- The opening acclamation, introduction to the gospel, confession, and postcommunion prayer are from *Enriching Our Worship*, a supplement to the *Book of Common Prayer*.
- The Eucharistic Prayer differs from that printed in the Prayer Book. The Episcopal Church's 79th General Convention, in 2018, authorized (Resolution D078) a trial service of Holy Eucharist in "expansive language." This means, in this context, that the use of gender-specific pronouns and words such as "Lord," etc., are minimized, but are by no means eliminated.

## **Announcements**

- Mondays at 11: Commons – a time to be socially amiable together. No program other than gathering, sharing in the work of cooking, getting to know one another, eating, and sharing in the work of cleaning.
- Save the date: The Annual Meeting will be February 2 after church. There will be brunch and food. This is an important event! Be present to help discern the long-term future of our congregation!

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