



St. James's Episcopal Church

The Second Sunday of Christmas

January 2, 2022

9:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist Rite II

Before the liturgy, in silence, talk to God. During the liturgy, let God speak to you.

After the liturgy, speak to one another. Please silence all electronic devices.

Prelude: The Holy Boy

Den die Hirten lobten sehre

John Ireland

Helmut Walcha

Hymn 93: *Regent Square*, "Angels from the realms of glory"

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

The Book of Common Prayer, page 355

Celebrant

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People

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

Collect for Purity

Celebrant

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.

Gloria S280

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.

Collect of the Day

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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.*

Epistle: 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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God

Psalm 84 *Quam dilecta!*

BCP 707

Remaining seated, the People read the Psalm responsively by half verse.

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.

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.

Happy are they who dwell in your house! *

they will always be praising you.

Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *

whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

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.

They will climb from height to height, *
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.

LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; *
hearken, O God of Jacob.

Behold our defender, O God; *
and look upon the face of your Anointed.

For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own room, *
and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God
than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.

For the LORD God is both sun and shield; *
he will give grace and glory;

No good thing will the LORD withhold *
from those who walk with integrity.

O LORD of hosts, *
happy are they who put their trust in you!

Hymn 89 (vs. 1-2): *Carol*, “It came upon the midnight clear”

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.

Children’s Procession (*The children may follow the clergy to Children’s Chapel at this time if they wish. Please send them with their coats, as Children’s Chapel may be held outdoors, depending on the weather.*)

Hymn 89 (vs. 3-4): *Carol, “It came upon the midnight clear”*

Sermon: The Reverend Dr. Robert Friend

Nicene Creed

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The people stand as able and join in saying 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

BCP 387

Let us kneel together in prayer and open our hearts to God.

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.

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.

Silence

Please join me in lifting up to God those who are sick or in need and
who have asked for our prayers:

Leader and People

Basil Acey, Mary Lee Allen, Elizabeth Austin, Hylah Boyd, Bryana
Braxton, John Daniel III, Tom Evelyn, Kate Gareau, Jamie Gugino,
Anne Heffner, Leigh Hulcher, Dave Johnson, Barbara Katz, Sue
Kneip, Eileen Long, George Longest, Emma Mason, Matt Mattox,
Linda Mays, Eve McCray, JoEllen McGugan, Bunky Miller, Harry
Moore, Kenny Morphis, Linda Pharis, Carol Piersol, Margaret
Raigins, Chuck Silva, Bradford Smith, Henry Spalding, Jr., Jay

Stegmaier, Alan Stone, Jessie Sumrell, Ginger Trice, Jim Tucker, Anne Turnbull, Sam Witt, Erin Wright, Cassandra and family, Ben and Eloise, Ace, David, Dylan, Elaine, James, and Melissa

The Leader continues.

Celebrant

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Peace

BCP 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Greeting and Announcements

The Holy Communion

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Body and Blood of our Lord at the altar. Gluten-free wafers are available. All are invited to receive a blessing at the altar, indicated by crossing your arms across your chest.

Offering of Gifts and Praise

To give online, you may use the QR code located in the back of the bulletin.

Anthem: Coventry Carol

15thc. Carol, arr. Martin Shaw

Refrain: Lully, lullay, thou little tiny child, bye-bye, lully lullay.

O sisters too, how may we do for to preserve this day
this poor youngling, for whom we sing bye-bye, lully lullay?

Herod the King, in his raging, charged he hath this day
his men of might, in his own sight, all young children to slay.

That woe is me, poor child for thee! And ever morn and day,
for thy parting nor say nor sing bye-bye, lully lullay!

Hymn 380 (v. 3): *Old 100th*, “Praise God, from whom all blessings flow”

The People stand as able.

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.

Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere 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:

Sanctus S129

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.

Celebrant

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,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

Celebrant

And we offer our 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 the Blessed Virgin Mary, James, our patron, and all the 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,

People and Celebrant

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.

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

As the children return to their parents, the people sing.

Antiphon
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.
Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Verse
Sing with all the peo - ple of God,
and join in the hymn of all cre - a - - - tion. *repeat Antiphon*

Music at Communion

Anthem: A New Year Carol

Benjamin Britten

Here we bring new water from the well so clear
For to worship God with, this happy New Year

Refrain: Sing levy dew, sing levy dew, the water and the wine;
the seven bright gold wires and the bugles that do shine.

Sing reign of Fair Maid, with gold upon her toe,
Open you the West Door, and turn the Old Year go. *Refrain*

Sing reign of Fair Maid, with gold upon her chin,
Open you the East Door, and let the New Year in. *Refrain*

Hymn 108: *Was frag' ich nach der Welt*, "Now yield we thanks and praise"

Special Celebrations and Prayers

People with birthdays or anniversaries during the week and any with special prayer requests may come forward to the altar rail to receive a blessing.

Postcommunion Prayer

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Please kneel as able.

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.

Blessing

May Almighty God, who sent his Son to take our nature upon him, bless you in this holy season, scatter the darkness of sin, and brighten your heart with the light of his holiness. *Amen.*

May God, who sent his angels to proclaim the glad news of the Savior's birth, fill you with joy, and make you heralds of the Gospel. *Amen.*

May God, who in the Word made flesh joined heaven to earth and earth to heaven, give you his peace and favor. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

Hymn 99: *Go Tell It on the Mountain*

Dismissal

BCP 366

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude: Vom Himmel hoch, da komm ich her Friedrich Zachau

*The flowers at the Altar are given to the Glory of God and in memory of
Imogen Scott Wellford, Camilla Wellford Garland,
Margaret McIver Garland and Landon Wellford Garland*

Service Participants

Preacher: The Reverend Dr. Robert Friend

Celebrant: The Reverend Hilary Streever

Assisting: Lay Chaplain Blake Singer

Lector: Grey Ligon

IWC Greeters: Brenna Magette, Gloria Prevatt-Smith

Musicians: Parish Choir Quartet
Organist: Virginia Ewing Whitmire
Director of Music: Dr. Mark A. Whitmire

Prayers of the People

Please lift up to God those who have asked for our prayers:

For those serving in our Armed Forces: especially David Bhatta, Robby Farmer, Wilson Nance, William Smith, and Mitchell Teeefey

For all who advocate for the most vulnerable and strive to bring an end to poverty and homelessness: especially our outreach partners ACTS, CARITAS, REAL Life, and RE:Work Richmond

For those about to be baptized: especially Berkley Clare Baker Cain, James Knowles Chauncey Millen, Virginia Christian Price, David Scott Stabler IV, and Margaret Scott Worthington who will be baptized at St. James's next Sunday

For all celebrating their birthdays this week, especially those who celebrate their birthdays today: Lilly Krusen, Wright Montague, Ben Moore, Connell Mullins, Jr., Joe Pryor, and Charol Shakeshaft

For those who have died recently: especially Jennifer Ryan Ball and Dr. J. Latane Ware

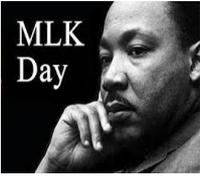
Music Notes



Coventry Carol is from the 15-century Pageant of the Shearman and Tailors, one of the ancient Coventry Mystery Plays. Performances of the Coventry Plays are first recorded in 1392, and continued for nearly two centuries. The young Shakespeare may have witnessed them before they were finally suppressed in 1579. The Pageant of the Shearman and Tailors was performed before Queen Margaret (wife of Henry VI) in 1456, Richard III in 1484 and Henry VII in 1492.

A New Year Carol is a British folk song of Welsh origin traditionally sung in New Year celebrations. It is associated with a New Year's Day custom involving sprinkling people with water newly drawn from a well. The song was set to music by Benjamin Britten in 1934, a part of the collection "Friday Afternoons."

Martin Luther King, Jr. Evensong: Sunday, January 16, at 5:00 p.m.



A service in celebration of the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. will feature St. James's Choirs and the Concert Choir of Norfolk State University, one of the premiere African-American ensembles in the country, directed by Dr. Harlan Zachery. Dr. Carl W. Haywood, former director of

the Concert Choir, preeminent organist, conductor, composer, and editor of *Lift Every Voice* will be the Organist and Guest Conductor. Dr. King's "I have a dream" speech will be read by Melody Barnes, UVA Professor of Law and former Director of the Domestic Policy Council under President Obama.

Join a Choir!

If you have resolved this New Year to join a choir, this is the perfect time. Everyone is welcome. Call the Music Office (355-1779, ext. 323 or 324) for more information.

- Cherub Choir (K – 2nd grades) – Wednesdays at 4:00 p.m.
- Children's Choir (3rd – 5th grades) – Wednesday at 5:00 p.m.
- Youth Choir (6th – 12th grades) – Sundays at 12:30 p.m.
- West Gallery Choir (9:00 a.m. service) – Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.
- Guitar Ensemble (9:00 a.m. service) – Wednesdays at 8:30 p.m.
- Parish Choir (11:15 a.m. service) – Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.
- Singing Class – Wednesdays, 6:15-7:00 p.m. starting January 19.

News and Events

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