

Calvary Episcopal Church
Indian Rocks Beach, Florida

24 December 2020 9:00pm

**Christmas Eve “Candlelight” Service
With Christmas Lessons & Carols
Holy Eucharist Rite II**

In person and streamed service



*Please enter into worship quietly and reverently, in consideration of others.
Please be aware of masking and physical distancing for the safety of others as well as yourself.
Cell phones should be silenced or turned off. Thank you.*

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Preludes

Prelude in F

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring

Joy to the World

Isaac Watts

J.S. Bach

Calvary Ringers

Announcements

Processional Hymn

Joy to the World

Hymnal #100

1. Joy to the world! The Lord is come; let earth receive her King;
let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.

2. Joy to the world! The savior reigns; let us our songs employ,
while fields & floods, rocks, hills & plains,
repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.

3. No more let sins & sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground;
he comes to make his blessings flow
far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found,
far as, far as, the curse is found.

4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness,
and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love,
and wonders, wonders, of his love

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be God, Father, on and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be His kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

The Collect for the Eve of Christmas

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, you have caused this holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: Grant that we, who have known the mystery of that Light on earth, may also enjoy him perfectly in heaven; where with you and the Holy Spirit he lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

THE LESSONS & CAROLS

The people sit.

Lesson I

“God announces in the garden”

Genesis III

Carol

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Hymnal #87(vs. 1,3)

Hark! The herald angels sing glory to the newborn King!
Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!
Joyful, all ye nation, rise join the triumph of the skies:
with the angelic host proclaim Christ is born in Bethlehem!
Hark! The herald angels sing glory to the newborn King!

Mild he lays his glory by, born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth, born to give us second birth.
Risen with healing in his wings, light and life to all he brings,
hail, the Sun of Righteousness! hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hark! The herald angels sing glory to the newborn King!

Lesson II

“God promises to faithful Abraham”

Genesis XXII

Carol

Born 'Neath a Star

Lesson III

“Christ’s birth and kingdom foretold”

Isaiah IX

Carol

Go Tell it on the Mountain

Hymnal #99 (vs 1, 3)

Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills everywhere;
go tell it on the mountain, that Jesus Christ is born!

While shepherds kept their watching o’er silent flocks by night,
behold, throughout the heavens there shone a holy light.
Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills everywhere;
go tell it on the mountain, that Jesus Christ is born!

Down in a lowly manger the humble Christ was born,
and God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn.
Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills everywhere;
go tell it on the mountain, that Jesus Christ is born!

Lesson IV *“The peace that Christ will bring”*
Carol *The first Nowell*

Isaiah XI
Hymnal #109(vs.1,5)

The first Nowell the angel did say
was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
in fields as they lay keeping their sheep,
on a cold winter’s night that was so deep.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,
born is the King of Israel.

Then entered in those wise men three
full reverently upon their knee,
and offered there in his presence
their gold, and myrrh, and frankincense.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,
born is the King of Israel.

Lesson V *“The angel Gabriel salutes Mary”*
Carol *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

Luke I
Hymnal #78(vs.1,5)

O little town of Bethlehem, How still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by;
yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting Light;
the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

O Holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray;
cast out our sin and enter in, be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emanuel!

Lesson VI *“St. Luke tells of the birth”*
Carol *For Unto Us a Child is Born*

Luke II
G.F. Handel

Lesson VII *“The shepherds go to the manger”*
Carol *Bring a Torch, Jeanette Isabella*

Luke II
Calvary Ringers

Lesson VIII *“The wise men are led by the star”*
Carol *We Three Kings*

Matthew II
Hymnal #128 (Vs 1, 2)

We three kings of Orient are, bearing gifts we traverse afar,
field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.
O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright;
westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light!

Glorious now behold him arise, King and God and Sacrifice;
heaven sings alleluia: alleluia the earth replies.
O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright;
westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light!

Lesson IX
Carol

“St. John unfolds the great mystery”
Gesu Bambino

John I
Pietro A Yen

The Homily

Fr. Jon Roberts

Nicene Creed *-All stand, if able*

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 Peace *-All stand, if able*

Clergy: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord. Please continue to practice physical distancing of 6 ft. and the proper use of a mask.

The Holy Communion

Everyone is invited to come forward to receive either the Blessed Sacrament or a Blessing from the Priest. Due to the Bishop's decree, the chalice with the blood of Christ is not to be administered at all, in any manner. Here are the following signs to make when coming forth:

Blessing only: Cross arms over chest

Bread only: Hands, stacked and open

All Baptized Christians may receive Holy Communion and others are encouraged to receive a Blessing from the priest, especially young children who have not yet made their first Communion. After reception, quietly return to your pew and pray. You are receiving spiritual food on this day.

The Offertory Sentence

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

The Offering Plate is located at the Baptismal Font or you may make your Christmas donation electronically using the camera on your cell phone on the QR code below.

Offertory Anthem

O Holy Night

Arr. M. Burke

Doxology Old 100th – Isaac Watts
Sung by the people as offerings are brought forward

Hymnal #380 (vs.3)

*All: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*



The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

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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.

The Proper Preface -said by Celebrant

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus -sung

Hymnal S-125

*All: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. ✕
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.*

The people may stand or kneel

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."✠

Celebrant: Therefore, according to his command, O Father,
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 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. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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 forever.

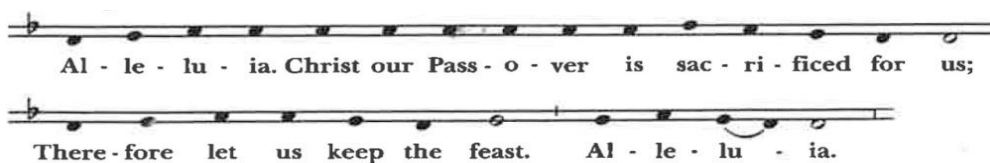
People: **AMEN.**

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
All: 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.

The Fraction Anthem

A period of silence is kept.

Hymnal S-152



This setting may be sung full by all, or by the choir, or as a versicle and response.

Setting: Ambrosian chant; adapt. Mason Martens (b. 1933)

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.

Everyone is invited to come and receive the Blessed Sacrament or a Blessing by the Priest.

The Choir will receive first Holy Communion first, followed by the congregation while Communion music is playing.

Communion Music

*Pastoral Symphony
Still, Still, Still*

G.F. Handel
arr. M Burke

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words:

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen

Communion Hymn

Angels We Have Heard On High

Hymnal #96

1. Angels we have heard on high, singing sweetly through the night,
and the mountains in reply echoing their brave delight.

Glo -----ria in excelsis Deo. Glo -----ria in excelsis Deo.

2. Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why these songs of happy cheer?
What great brightness did you see? What glad tidings did you hear?

Glo -----ria in excelsis Deo. Glo -----ria in excelsis Deo

3. Come to Bethlehem and see him whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee Christ, the Lord, the newborn King.

Glo -----ria in excelsis Deo. Glo -----ria in excelsis Deo

4. See him in a manger laid Whom the angles praise above;
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid, While we raise our hearts in love.
Glo -----ria in excelsis Deo. Glo -----ria in excelsis Deo

Celebrant: Let us pray. Eternal God, . . .

All: 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

Celebrant: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.
Amen.

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ

People: Thanks be to God.

The Lights are dimmed and the candles are lit

Processional Hymn

Silent Night

Hymnal #111

1. Silent night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright
round yon virgin mother and child. Holy infant, so tender and mild,
sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.

2. Silent night, holy night, shepherds quake at the sight,
glories stream from heaven afar, heavenly hosts sing alleluia;
Christ, the Savior, is born! Christ, the Savior, is born!

3. Silent night, holy night, Son of God, love's pure light
radiant beams from thy holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth. Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

*Choir remains in sanctuary and continues to hum Silent Night while
congregation departs in holy silence.*

Merry Christmas!

You are welcome to stay after the service to take family photos near the Sanctuary decorations.
Please be respectful of those who remain to worship and converse quietly and reverently.
Thank you.

The Musicians

Vocal Quartet

Rebecca Rogers, Soprano
Sandy Rogers, Alto, guitar
Margaret Richcreek, Alto
Matthew Burke, Tenor

Calvary Ringers

Patty Call
Sue Stauffer
Polly Liebe
Julie Heinicka
Jo Simpson

The Orchestra

Julie Paradies, 1st Violin
Joan M. Lenahan-Bernard, 2nd Violin
Sue Dauterman, Viola
George Alexander, Cello
Jim Paradies, Trumpet
Matthew Burke, Organ, Harpiscord

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