



ST. THOMAS' PARISH

EPISCOPAL CHURCH • DUPONT CIRCLE



Second Sunday after Christmas January 5, 2020

Welcome

Everyone's voice is needed to tell the Good News of God's love in Christ. Sing and pray with us as you are comfortable. You are welcome to fully participate in every part of this service, including Holy Eucharist (aka Lord's Supper or Communion). We believe it is God's table and it is God who extends the invitation to all who seek a deeper knowledge of Christ. Welcome and we're glad you're here today.

Prelude

"Christmas Eve/Sarajevo"

arr. Adkins

Hymn 100

"Joy to the World"

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People Glory to God for ever and ever.

Saying together:

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.

Hymn 96

Verses 1&4

“Angels We Have Heard on High”

The Collect

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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.*

First Reading

Jeremiah 31:7-14

THUS SAYS THE LORD:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;
proclaim, give praise, and say,
"Save, O Lord, your people,
the remnant of Israel."

See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,
among them the blind and the lame, those with child and
those in labor, together;
a great company, they shall return here.

With weeping they shall come,
and with consolations I will lead them back,
I will let them walk by brooks of water,
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;
for I have become a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Hear the word of the LORD, O nations,
and declare it in the coastlands far away;
say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him,
and will keep him as a shepherd a flock."

For the LORD has ransomed Jacob,
and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him.

They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion,
and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD,

over the grain, the wine, and the oil,
and over the young of the flock and the herd;
their life shall become like a watered garden,
and they shall never languish again.
Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance,
and the young men and the old shall be merry.
I will turn their mourning into joy,
I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow.
I will give the priests their fill of fatness,
and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty,
says the LORD.

Lector: The Word of the Lord People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 84:1-8

Said together:

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.

2 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.

3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! *
they will always be praising you.

4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

5 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.

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

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

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

Second Reading

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.

Lector: The Word of the Lord **People: Thanks be to God**

Hymn 109

“The First Nowell”

Verse 3 before Gospel

Verse 4 after Gospel

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 2:13-15,19-23

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

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."

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord. **People: Praise to you Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Linda M. Kaufman

✠ *Please observe a moment of silence following the sermon*

Nicene Creed

✠ *Standing*

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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

Prayers of the People

Gracious God, 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.

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.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Christ be always with you.

All: **And also with you.**

✠*The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace*

Announcements

Invitation and Offertory Sentence

✠ *The offering is collected to support the work of sharing God's love with the world and living out God's mission. The bread and wine are brought forward to the altar as the Celebrant prepares the altar.*

***You can also text STTHOMASDC (\$AMOUNT) to 73256 to give to General Fund using our Realm software. Standard text message rates apply.**

Offertory Hymn

"Christmas Meditation"

arr. Adkins

The Great Thanksgiving



We invite all those who seek God and a deeper life in Christ to receive the sacrament of Holy Eucharist.

To receive communion, take the bread in the palm of your hand.

Eat the bread and then drink from the cup when it is offered to you.



Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

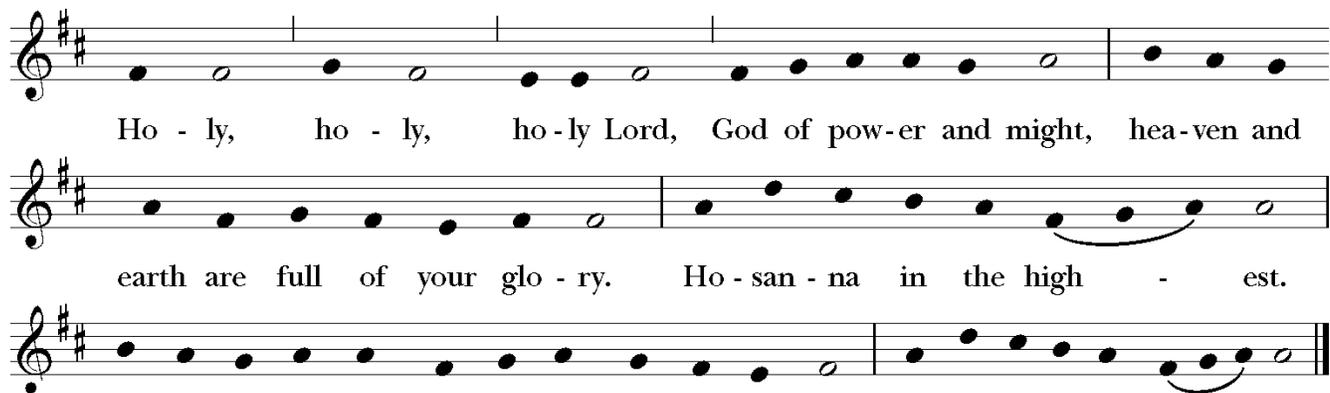
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

WE PRAISE YOU AND WE BLESS YOU, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we say:



The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est." The first staff covers the first line, the second staff covers the second line, and the third staff covers the third line. The music ends with a double bar line.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Then the Celebrant continues:

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor.

He yearned to draw all the world to himself, yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing the wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: Take, Eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with the ever-Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Thomas our patron, and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

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

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

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

✠The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread and after a moment of silence, all sing together:

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

there - fore let us keep the feast.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God.

✦ Communion is distributed at two stations in front of the altar. Enter via the center aisle and return via the side aisles.

Communion Hymn 79 “O Little Town of Bethlehem”

Prayer after Communion

✦ Said by all, standing:

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 of Time Pieces

Hymn 89 “It Came Upon a Midnight Clear”

Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude “Joy to the World/Joyful Joyful We Adore Thee” arr Adkins

Gospel for January 12th – Matthew 3:13-17



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Announcements for Sunday January 5, 2020

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AN EVENING WITH PRESIDING BISHOP
MICHAEL CURRY!

**JANUARY
24TH 7-9PM**



HOSTED AT THE ST. THOMAS
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1517 18TH ST NW, DC

An Evening with Presiding Bishop Michael Curry!!

Save the Date!

On the evening of **January 24th, 2020**, the young adults (18 –30) will host our **Presiding Bishop Michael Curry** for an event in DC, from 7pm to 9pm.

7pm to 8pm, We'll gather in the Sanctuary to hear from the Presiding Bishop and have a time of Q&A.

8pm to 9pm, We'll gather on the fourth-floor fellowship hall for a social hour to snap a pic with the Bishop, meet up and greet one another and enjoy some catered snacks.

***Tickets are free, but please be sure to RSVP for the event! Thanks!
More info at EDOWYoungAdults.org***

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/an-evening-with-presiding-bishop-michael-curry-tickets-74681938689>

125th Diocesan Convention

Saturday, **January 25th**: Bishop Curry will preach at our 125th Diocesan Convention.



More Jesus, More Love Revival 2020

REVIVAL SERVICE GENERAL ADMISSION TICKETS AVAILABLE

General Admission Tickets for the More Jesus, More Love Revival service with Presiding Bishop Michael B. Curry on at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, **January 26, 2020** at the Entertainment and Sports Arena in Southeast, Washington, D.C. are available. **This event is free but requires a ticket for entry**

Tickets are limited to 6 per person, first come, first served basis.

Once you select the number of tickets to reserve, please click the View Options box, then click Add Tickets to Cart. When you "check-out," you will need to create a login or use your Washington National Cathedral login if you've purchased Cathedral event tickets previously

<https://tix.cathedral.org/TheatreManager/1/online?performance=22495>

Serving today

Greeters:	David Swanson Dan Costello	Vergers:	John Johnson
Ushers:	George Wiggington Jennie Allison	Chalice:	Jean Mahle Reggie Greer
Lector:	Vibha Sazawal	Intercessor:	John Trumbo
Offertory Guild:	Allison Elliott	Vestry Teller:	TBA
Coffee Hour:	TBA	Vestry Host:	TBA
Flowers:	Joaquin "Jocko" Fajardo		

Celebrating Our January Birthdays

Stacey George (January 1)
Felecia Williams (January 1)
Joe Bishop-Henchman (January 4)
Samantha Fallon (January 5)
Bob McDonald (January 16)
Gregory Zitterkob (January 22)
Tyler Ashworth (January 23)
David Insinga (January 23)
Rev. Linda Kaufman (January 23)

*If your birthday or anniversary is not listed here, please let P know info@stthomasdc.org

Prayer List

Gene Robinson, Cindy Gangler, Annemarie Bohler, Matthew Briggs, Len Hawley, Michael Fitzpatrick (stepfather of Jessie Brewster), Peggy Ann Cohen, Kristin Jones, Dave Kucharski, Steve Parsons, Paula Amadeo, Paula Foreman, Deborah Forman (mother of Jason Forman), Bill McDonald, Brian Crane, the Dodson family, Donna Norman, Mary Ellen Reed, Trisha Shaffer, Brianna Clifford, David Clayton Montgomery, Teresa Zagami, baby Sabag; seminarian Catherine Manhardt (St. Thomas' parishioner); and for the repose of the souls of Barbara Shaw (childhood friend of Jennie Allison) and Alice Carter (friend of St. Thomas' Parish).

You may submit a name for the list by sending an e-mail to: prayers@office.stthomasdc.org. Names will be placed on the list for a period of three weeks. If you are submitting a name and there is a reason you would like it to remain on the list for a longer time, please let us know in your e-mail.



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"As St. Thomas' Parish we are followers of Jesus, striving to see Christ in each person, and to be Christ in our community, our city, and our world."

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