

The Second Sunday of Christmas

January 4, 2026

We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us today! **If you are new to Trinity, please fill out the Connect Card in the back of the pew in front of you or scan the QR code on the back of this service guide.** Once you have filled it out, you can drop it in the offering box at the back as you leave today. This helps us to connect with you more personally. We promise not to spam you! Please stop by the welcome table after the service to pick up a small gift and join us in the Parish Hall for some refreshments.

The Trinity family is a joyful community seeking to love God, love people, and share life. Everything you need to follow along with today's worship service is printed in this guide. As Anglican Christians, we worship using a liturgy, a set of prayers that have been passed down from the ancient Church to us today. We share communion (a sacred meal of bread and wine) each Sunday. We invite all baptized and believing Christians to participate in communion with us. You do not have to be Anglican to share in communion with us. At the appropriate time, ushers will direct you forward to the altar rail to receive communion. We also have sealed, individual communion available at the back for those with health concerns.

We hope and pray that you will know the love of God for you today. If you have any questions or need anything, don't hesitate to ask a member of our welcome team or an usher.

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Renewed Ancient Text

Please observe silence before the service for prayer and meditation.

The Prelude

The Entrance Hymn *The People stand.*

#119 *As With Gladness Men of Old*



1 As with glad - ness men of old did the guid-ing star be - hold;
2 As with joy - ful steps they sped to that low - ly man-ger - bed;
3 As they of - fered gifts most rare at that man-ger rude and bare;
4 Ho - ly Je - sus! ev - ery day keep us in the nar - row way;
5 In the heaven - ly coun - try bright, need they no cre - a - ted light;



1 as with joy they hailed its light, lead - ing on - ward, beam-ing bright;
2 there to bend the knee be - fore him whom heaven and earth a - dore;
3 so may we with ho - ly joy, pure and free from sin's al - loy,
4 and, when earth - ly things are past, bring our ran - somed souls at last
5 thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down:



1 so, most gra - cious Lord, may we ev - er - more be led to thee.
2 so may we with will - ing feet ev - er seek the mer - cy - seat.
3 all our cost - liest trea - sures bring, Christ! to thee, our heavenly King.
4 where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glo - ry hide.
5 there for ev - er may we sing al - le - lu - ias to our King.



The Acclamation

For unto us a child is born,
Unto us a son is given.

The Collect for Purity

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.*

The Summary of the Law

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

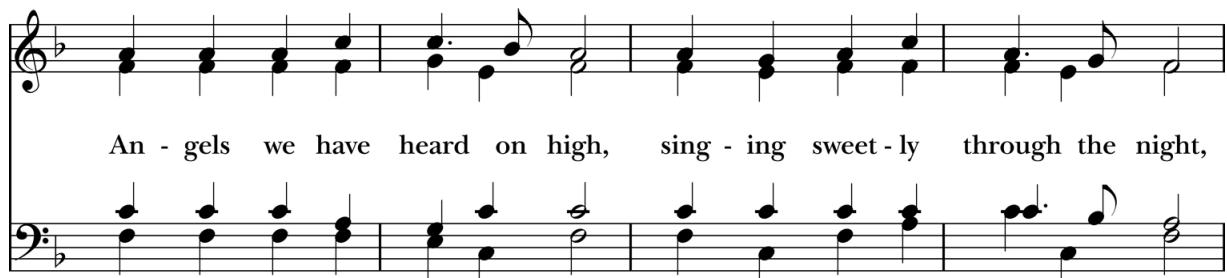
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

The Trisagion

Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.

The Song of Praise

Angels We Have Heard on High



The musical notation consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. The music is in common time. The lyrics are: "An - gels we have heard on high, sing - ing sweet - ly through the night,"



and the moun-tains in re - ply ech - o - ing their brave de - light.

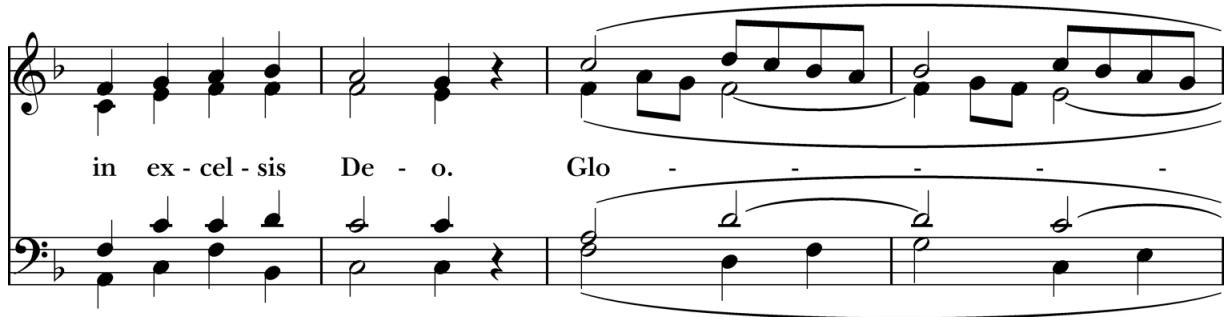


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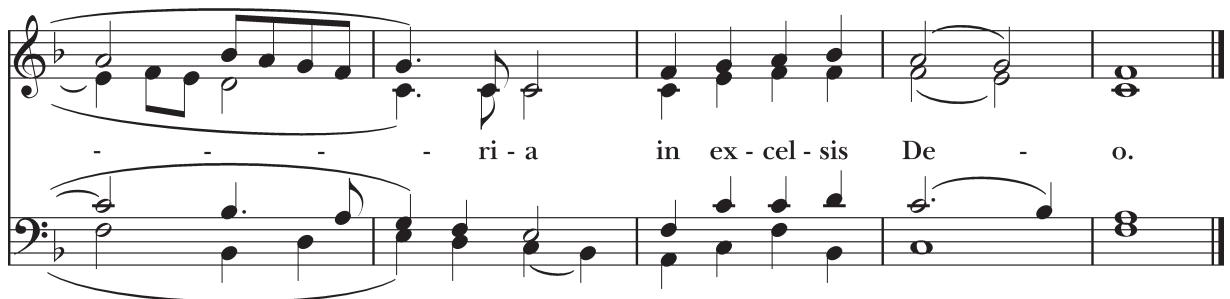


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The Children's Sermon *The People sit. All children are welcome to come forward.*

After the sermon, please stand as children 3-years-old through 1st grade leave to go upstairs to the Children's area for the Godly Play and Godly Study programs. The children will return at communion.

The Collect of the Day *The People stand.*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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 our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson *The People sit.*

JEREMIAH 31:7-14

⁷ For thus says the Lord:

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

⁸ Behold, I will bring them from the north country
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,
among them the blind and the lame,

the pregnant woman and she who is in labor, together;
a great company, they shall return here.

⁹ With weeping they shall come,
and with pleas for mercy I will lead them back,
I will make them walk by brooks of water,
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble,
for I am a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

¹⁰ “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 keeps his flock.'

¹¹ For the Lord has ransomed Jacob
and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him.

¹² 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 be like a watered garden,
and they shall languish no more.

¹³ 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.

¹⁴ I will feast the soul of the priests with abundance,
and my people shall be satisfied with my goodness,
declares the Lord."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

PSALM 84

¹ How lovely are your dwellings,
O Lord God of hosts!

² My soul has a desire and longing to enter into the courts
of the Lord;

my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

³ Indeed, the sparrow has found her a house, and the swallow
a nest where she may lay her young,

even your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

⁴ Blessed are they who dwell in your house;
they will be always praising you.

⁵ Blessed is the one whose strength is in you,
in whose heart are your ways,

⁶ Who going through the valley of misery uses it for a well;
indeed, the early rains fill the pools with water.

⁷ They will go from strength to strength,
and the God of gods shall be seen by them in Zion.

8 O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer;
9 **hearken, O God of Jacob.**
9 Behold, O God, our defender,
10 **and look upon the face of your Anointed.**
10 For one day in your courts
11 **is better than a thousand;**
11 I would rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God
12 **than dwell in the tents of ungodliness.**
12 For the Lord God is a light and defense;
13 **the Lord will give grace and honor, and no good thing
13 shall he withhold from those who live a godly life.**
13 O Lord God of hosts,
14 **blessed is the one who puts his trust in you.**

The Second Lesson

EPHESIANS 1:3-14

³ 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, ⁴ even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love ⁵ he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, ⁶ to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. ⁷ In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, ⁸ which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight ⁹ making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ ¹⁰ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in Christ, things in heaven and things on earth in him.

¹¹ In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, ¹² so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴ who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Hymn *The People stand and sing.*

Of the Father's Love Begotten

E^b

1. Of the Fa-ther's love be - got - ten, ere the worlds be - gan
 2. At His Word the earth was fram - ed; He com - mand - ed, it
 3. Oh, that birth for - ev - er bless - ed, when the vir - gin, called
 4. This is He whom an- cient se - ers long fore - told in one

B^b/D A^b E^b/G B^b/D Cm

to be, He is Al - pha and O - me - ga, He the
 was done: heaven and earth and depths of o - cean in their
 of grace, by the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing, bore the
 ac - cord, whom the voic - es of the proph - ets prom - ised

A^b B^b E^b E^b

Source, the End - ing, He. Of the things that are, that
 three - fold or - der one. All that grows be - neath the
 Sav - ior of our race; and the babe, the world's Re -
 in their faith - ful word. Now He shines, the na - tions'

B^b/D Cm A^b B^bsus

have been, and that fu - ture years shall see:
 shin - ing of the moon and burn - ing sun,
 deem - er first re - vealed His sa - cred face:
 Sav - ior - let cre - a - tion praise its Lord

E^b/G A^b B^bsus E^b

ev - er - more and ev - er - more. _____

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The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

⁴¹ Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. ⁴² And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom. ⁴³ And when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, ⁴⁴ but supposing him to be in the group they went a day's journey, but then they began to search for him among their relatives and acquaintances, ⁴⁵ and when they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, searching for him. ⁴⁶ After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. ⁴⁷ And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. ⁴⁸ And when his parents saw him, they were astonished. And his mother said to him, “Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been searching for you in great distress.” ⁴⁹ And he said to them, “Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?” ⁵⁰ And they did not understand the saying that he spoke to them. ⁵¹ And he went down with them and came to Nazareth and was submissive to them. And his mother treasured up all these things in her heart.

⁵² And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Nicene Creed *The People stand.*

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

We believe in one God,

the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only-begotten 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 from the Holy Spirit and 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], †
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.**

† The phrase “and the Son” (Latin filioque) is not in the original Greek text. See the resolution of the College of Bishops concerning the filioque in *Documentary Foundations* (The Book of Common Prayer 2019, page 768).

The Prayers of the People *The People kneel.*

After each bidding, the People are invited to offer their own prayers silently or aloud.

Let us pray for the church and for the world, saying “hear our prayer.”

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

(Pause.)

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For Steve, our Archbishop; for Julian, the Dean of our Province; for Alex, our Bishop; for Morgan, our priest; for Trinity’s staff and vestry; and for all the clergy, lay leaders, and people of our diocese and congregation.

(Pause.)

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad and for all who teach and disciple others, especially for Reverend Tarsees and Bumbogo Parish, our sister parish in Rwanda, and for Gilbert, the staff, mothers, and children with disabilities of Love With Actions.

(Pause.)

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

(Pause.)

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For our nation, for those in authority and for all in public service, especially for Donald, our President; Brian, our Governor; the Congress and the Supreme Court; Todd, our Mayor; our County Commissioners and members of the City Council; and members of the city and county school boards.

(Pause.)

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially Harriet Hawkins.
(Pause.)

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For all those who departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, in thanksgiving, let us pray.
(Pause.)

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For a peaceful resolution to the conflicts between warring nations and protection for all those in
harm's way.

(Pause.)

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Celebrant:

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who
lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Confession and Absolution of Sin

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Silence

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole
heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight
in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Priest alone stands and says the Absolution of Sin.

The Comfortable Words

The Priest says one or more of the following sentences from Holy Scripture: Matthew 11:28, John 3:16, 1 Timothy 1:15, and 1 John 2:1-2.

The Peace *The People stand.*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Greet one another in the name of the Lord and then be seated for announcements.

The Offertory *The People sit.*

During this time, all quietly meditate on offering our lives and our gifts to the Lord.

The Presentation Hymn *The People stand.*

Angels from the Realms of Glory

The musical score consists of two staves of music. The top staff is in G clef (soprano) and the bottom staff is in F clef (bass). The music is in common time. The lyrics are as follows:

1 An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, wing your flight o'er
all the earth; ye, who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry,

now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth: come and wor - ship,

come and wor - ship, wor - ship Christ, the new - born King.

The Sursum Corda

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant:

It is right, our duty and our joy, 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 Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary his mother, was made truly man, yet without the stain of sin, that we might be cleansed from sin and given the right to become your children. 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:

The Sanctus

#S130 *Sanctus*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and
might, _____
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of power 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.

The People kneel.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues:

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy sacrament, and be made one body with him, so that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things into subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

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

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Prayer of Humble Access

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Agnus Dei

#S164 *Jesus, Lamb of God*

The musical score consists of three staves of music. The top staff is for the soprano voice, the middle staff for the alto voice, and the bottom staff for the bass voice. The music is in G major with a key signature of one sharp. The lyrics are as follows:

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.

The Ministration of Communion

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

The People come forward to receive the bread and the cup or a prayer of blessing.

The Communion Songs

112 *In the Bleak Midwinter*

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 throng - 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;

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

#79 *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

1 O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee lie!
 2 For Christ is born of Ma - ry; and gath-ered all a - bove,
 3 How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly, the won-drous gift is given!
 4 Where child - ren pure and hap - py pray to the bless-ed Child,
 5 O ho - ly Child of Beth - le - hem, de - scend to us, we pray;

1 A - bove thy deep and dream-less sleep the si - lent stars go by;
 2 while mor-tals sleep, the an - gels keep their watch of won-dering love.
 3 So God im - parts to hu - man hearts the bless - ings of his heaven.
 4 where mis - er - y cries out to thee, Son of the mo - ther mild;
 5 cast out our sin and en - ter in, be born in us to - day.

1 yet in thy dark streets shin-eth the ev-er-last-ing Light;
 2 O morn-ing stars, to - geth-er pro-claim the ho-ly birth!
 3 No ear may hear his com-ing, but in this world of sin,
 4 where char - i - ty stands watch-ing and faith holds wide the door,
 5 We hear the Christ - mas an - gels the great glad tid - ings tell;

1 the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night.
 2 and prais - es sing to God the King, and peace to men on earth.
 3 where meek souls will re - ceive him, still the dear Christ en - ters in.
 4 the dark night wakes, the glo - ry breaks, and Christ - mas comes once more.
 5 O come to us, a - bide with us, our Lord Em - man - u - el!

The Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Blessing

The Priest gives the blessing.

The Closing Hymn

#107 *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*

1 Good Chris-tian friends, re-joice with heart and soul and voice;
 2 Good Chris-tian friends, re-joice with heart and soul and voice;
 3 Good Chris-tian friends, re-joice with heart and soul and voice;

give ye heed to what we say: Je-sus Christ is born to-day;
 now ye hear of end-less bliss; Je-sus Christ was born for this!
 now ye need not fear the grave: Je-sus Christ was born to save!

ox and ass be-fore him bow, and he is in the man-ger now.
 He hath o-pened hea-ven's door, and we are blest for ev-er-more.
 Calls you one and calls you all to gain his ev-er-last-ing hall.

Christ is born to-day!
 Christ was born for this!
 Christ was born to save!

The Dismissal

Alleluia, Alleluia! Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.
Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Postlude

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