

# The Nativity of Our Lord



**Christmas Eve**

**The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two ~ 5 p.m.  
December 24, 2021**

**Church of the Redeemer  
Sarasota, Florida**

Dear Friends in Christ,

Did you know that in 1999 Garth Brooks re-recorded Andy Williams' popular holiday song from 1963, "It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year?" I don't know why, but when I hear Garth Brooks sing it, I really listen more closely to the lyrics. It is his unique voice, I guess. The same is true for James Earl Jones; who doesn't listen to Darth Vader when he's speaking? There is even an app for James Earl Jones reading the Bible. I've been listening to it lately, and it's amazing what all I've heretofore missed. Anyway, the first stanza in Williams' perennial favorite opens this way:

It's the most wonderful time of the year  
With the kids jingle belling  
And everyone telling you be of good cheer  
It's the most wonderful time of the year

It's not a sacred song, per se, but it's certainly hallowed inasmuch that everybody this time of year feels almost religiously compelled to dish out advice on how all of us – how you, too – can be "of good cheer."

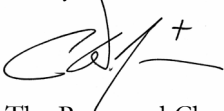
Considering all that has been 2021, I've noticed there seems to be even more supposed advice and counsel than ever. Whether it's advice on a new Netflix series to take your mind off things, or tips for how you can be more productive while working from home...or on your marriage, or how to learn another language during the pandemic – it's easy to believe that if we just try hard enough we will deliver ourselves from any challenge, or at least find an escape hatch.

Christmas, however, tells an altogether different story: namely, that deliverance does not come from within, but from the outside – from God in Christ taking on flesh to save us from our sins and love us unconditionally. Some theologians call this a "Christology from above" – that deliverance is initiated not from within, but from God's heavenly plan of grace manifest on earth. And that's real, two-hundred proof liberation.

If you've been struggling all year long, just give up (!) and fix the ears of your heart once again on the same old story of God's boundless love – the transformative love that has come from the outside to bless, restore, and save:

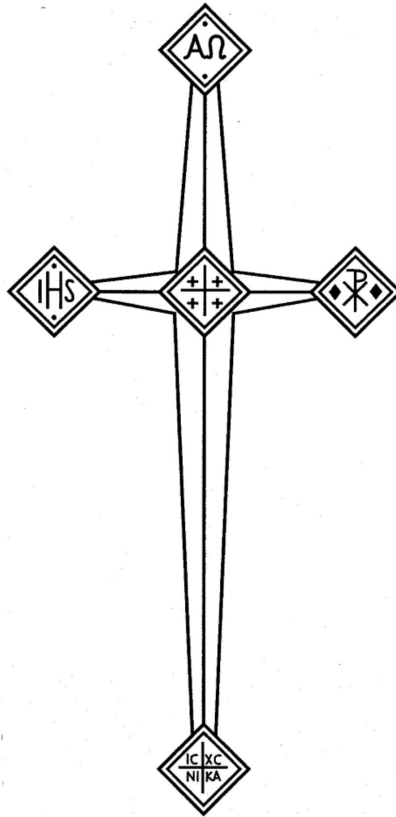
Hark! the herald angels sing  
Glory to the newborn King!  
Peace on earth and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled!

Merry Christmas!



The Reverend Charleston David Wilson  
Rector





## **Pre-Service Carols**

*The congregation stands as the choir enters and then is seated for the carols.*

### **Hymnal 109**

*The First Nowell*

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.

They looked up and saw a star shining in the east beyond them far,  
and to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night.

And by the light of that same star three wise men came from country far;  
to seek for a king was their intent, and to follow the star wherever it went.

This star drew nigh to the northwest, o'er Bethlehem it took its rest,  
and there it did both stop and stay right over the place where Jesus lay.

Then entered in those wise men three full reverently upon their knee,  
and offered there in his presence their gold, and myrrh, and frankincense.

Then let us all with one accord sing praises to our heavenly Lord;  
that hath made heaven and earth of nought, and with his blood our life hath bought.

### **Hymnal 89, verse 1**

*Carol*

It came upon the midnight clear, that glorious song of old,  
from angels bending near the earth to touch their harps of gold:  
"Peace on the earth, good will to men, from heaven's all-gracious King."  
The world in solemn stillness lay to hear the angels sing.

### **Hymnal 93, verse 1**

*Regent Square*

Angels, from the realms of glory, wing your flight o'er all the earth;  
ye, who sang creation's story, now proclaim Messiah's birth:  
Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn King.

### **Hymnal 92, verse 1**

*Personent Hodie*

On this day earth shall ring with the song children sing  
To the Lord, Christ our King, born on earth to save us;  
Him the Father gave us.

Ideo gloria in excelsis Deo!

*Love Came Down At Christmas – Leo Sowerby*  
*Love came down at Christmas,*  
*Love all lovely, Love divine*  
*Love was born at Christmas,*  
*Stars and angels gave the sign.*

*Worship we the Godhead,*  
*Love incarnate, Love divine*  
*Worship we our Jesus:*  
*But wherewith for sacred sign?*

*Love shall be our token,*  
*Love be yours and love be mine,*  
*Love to God and all men,*  
*Love for plea and gift and sign.*

*Love came down at Christmas,*  
*Love all lovely, Love divine*  
*Love was born at Christmas,*  
*Stars and angels gave the sign.*

*Concerto for Two Trumpets in C Major, RV 537 - Antonio Vivaldi*

# The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two - 5 p.m.

## Processional Hymn and Blessing of the Crèche: Hymnal 83

*Adeste Fidelis*

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant, O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;  
Come, and behold him, born the King of angels;  
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

God from God, Light from Light eternal, lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb;  
Only-begotten Son of God the Father;  
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation, sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;  
Glory to God, glory in the highest;  
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

See how the shepherds, summoned to his cradle,  
leaving their flocks, draw nigh to gaze;  
We too will thither bend our joyful footsteps;  
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

Child, for us sinners poor and in the manger, we would embrace thee,  
with love and awe;  
Who would not love thee, loving us so dearly?  
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning; Jesus, to thee be glory given;  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing;  
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

*As the Altar Party arrives at the Crèche, the Hymn is paused, and the Celebrant says:*

Dear friends in Christ, as we meet this night to celebrate the birth of Christ, let us pray that God will bless this Crèche, that all who worship His Son, born of the Virgin Mary, may come to share His life in glory.

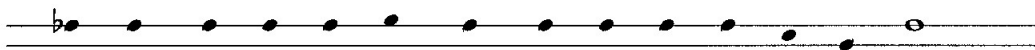
*The Celebrant blesses the Crèche.*

*Celebrant:* God our Father, on this night your son Jesus Christ was born of Blessed Virgin Mary for us and for our salvation, bless this Crèche which we have prepared to celebrate His holy birth. May all who see it be strengthened in faith and receive the fullness of life He came to bring, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

*After the blessing of the Crèche, the Hymn continues.*

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

*People's response:*



And bles - sed be his king - dom, now and for - ev - er, A - men.

***Gloria in excelsis: 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 -



might - y 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.

**The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.  
*People:* And also with you.  
*Celebrant:* Let us pray.  
O God, you make us glad by the yearly festival of the birth of your only Son Jesus Christ: Grant that we, who joyfully receive him as our Redeemer, may with sure confidence behold him when he comes to be our Judge; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*



## THE LESSONS

*The people sit.*

*Reader:* A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah. (Isaiah 9:2-4, 6-7)

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined. Thou hast multiplied the nation, thou hast increased its joy; they rejoice before thee as with joy at the harvest, as men rejoice when they divide the spoil. For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, thou hast broken as on the day of Mid'ian. For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government will be upon his shoulder, and his name will be called "Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, upon the throne of David, and over his kingdom, to establish it, and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and for evermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

### Sequence Hymn: Hymnal 94

*Winchester Old*

While shepherds watched their flocks by night, all seated on the ground,  
The angel of the Lord came down, and glory shone around.

"Fear not," said he, for mighty dread had seized their troubled mind;  
"Glad tidings of great joy I bring to you and all mankind.

"To you, in David's town, this day is born of David's line  
The Savior, who is Christ the Lord; and this shall be the sign:

"The heavenly Babe you there shall find to human view displayed,  
All meanly wrapped in swathing bands, and in a manger laid."

Thus spake the seraph, and forthwith appeared a shining throng  
Of angels praising God, who thus addressed their joyful song:

"All glory be to God on high and on the earth be peace;  
Good will henceforth from heaven to men begin and never cease."

*Deacon:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. (Luke 2:1-20)

*People:* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be enrolled. This was the first enrollment, when Quirinius was governor of Syria. And all went to be enrolled, each to his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from

the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. And while they were there, the time came for her to be delivered. And she gave birth to her first-born son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. And in that region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear. And the angel said to them, "Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people; for to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a babe wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men with whom he is pleased!" When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us." And they went with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they saw it they made known the saying which had been told them concerning this child; and all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. But Mary kept all these things, pondering them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

*Deacon:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**The Sermon:** Father Wilson

**The Nicene Creed** (*standing*)

*Celebrant:* We believe in one God . . .

*All:* . . . 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**

*Leader:* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Leader:* Lord, in your mercy      *All: Hear our prayer.*

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Leader:* Lord, in your mercy      *All: Hear our prayer.*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Leader:* Lord, in your mercy      *All: Hear our prayer.*

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Leader:* Lord, in your mercy      *All: Hear our prayer.*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Leader:* Lord, in your mercy      *All: Hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Leader:* Lord, in your mercy      *All: Hear our prayer.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

## **Confession of Sin**

*Deacon:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All (kneeling):* 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.

*Celebrant:* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

## The Peace

All stand.

*Celebrant:* 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.*

## The Holy Communion

### The Offertory

*The Celebrant begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.*

### Offertory Anthem: A Babe Is Born—William Mathias

*A babe is born all of a may, to bring salvation unto us. To him we sing both night and day. Veni creator Spiritus. At Bethlehem, that blessed place, the child of bliss now born he was; and him to serve God give us grace, O lux beata Trinitas.*

*There came three kings out of the East, to worship the King that is so free, with gold and myrrh and frank incense, A solis ortus cardine. A fair song that night sung they in worship of that child: Gloria tibi Domine. A babe is born all of a may, to bring salvation unto us. To him we sing both night and day. Veni creator Spiritus, O lux beata Trinitas, a solis ortus cardine, Gloria tibi Domine. Noel!*

### At the presentation of the Gifts, the Censing Hymn: Hymnal 102

*Irby*

1 Once in roy - al Da - vid's ci - ty stood a  
2 He came down to earth from hea - ven, who is  
\*3 We, like Ma - ry, rest con - found - ed that a  
4 For he is our life - long pat - tern; dai - ly,  
\*5 And our eyes at last shall see him, through his  
6 Not in that poor low - ly sta - ble, with the

1 low - ly cat - tle shed, where a mo - ther laid her  
 2 God and Lord of all, and his shel - ter was a  
 3 sta - ble should dis - play hea - ven's Word, the world's cre -  
 4 when on earth he grew, he was tempt - ed, scorned, re -  
 5 own re - deem - ing love; for that child who seemed so  
 6 ox - en stand - ing round, we shall see him; but in

1 ba - by in a man - ger for his bed: Ma - ry  
 2 sta - ble, and his cra - dle was a stall; with the  
 3 a - tor, cra - dled there on Christ - mas Day, yet this  
 4 ject - ed, tears and smiles like us he knew. Thus he  
 5 help - less is our Lord in heaven a - bove; and he  
 6 hea - ven, where his saints his throne sur - round: Christ, re -

1 was that mo - ther mild, — Je - sus Christ her lit - tle child. —  
 2 poor, the scorned, the low - ly, lived on earth our Sa - vior ho - ly.  
 3 child, our Lord and bro - ther, brought us love for one an - oth - er.  
 4 feels for all our sad - ness, and he shares in all our glad - ness.  
 5 leads his chil - dren on — to the place where he is gone. —  
 6 vealed to faith - ful eye, — set at God's right hand on high. —

## The Great Thanksgiving

*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.

*Here a Proper Preface is sung.*

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 and Benedictus: Hymnal S128**

Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

*The people 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."

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 ever blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Joseph, and of 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. 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.

*People: AMEN.*

### **The Lord's Prayer: Hymnal S119**

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

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our

dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,  
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

### The Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

### Fraction Anthem: Hymnal S154

*Celebrant:* Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People:* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*Celebrant:* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*The ministers receive the Sacrament and then immediately deliver it to the people.*

### Music During Communion:

*O Magnum Mysterium* — Tomás Luis de Victoria

*O magnum mysterium, et admirabile sacramentum, ut animalia viderent Dominum natum, iacentem in praesepe. O beata Virgo, cujus viscera meruerunt portare Dominum Iesum Christum. Alleluia.*

*(O great mystery, and wonderful sacrament, that beasts should see the newborn Lord, lying in a manger. O Blessed Virgin, in whose unblemished womb was carried the Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!)*

*There is No Rose* from *Ceremony of Carols* — Benjamin Britten

*There is no rose of such virtue as is the rose that bare Jesu: Alleluia. For in this rose contained was Heaven and earth in little space: Res miranda. By that rose we may well see that he is God in person three: Paris forma. The angels sung the shepherds to: "Gloria in excelsis Deo" Gaudeamus. Leave we all this worldly mirth and follow we this joyful birth: Transeamus*



**Communion Hymns: Hymnal 78***Forest Green*

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.

For Christ is born of Mary; and gathered all above,  
While mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wondering love.  
O morning stars, together proclaim the holy birth!  
And praises sing to God the King, and peace to men on earth.

How silently, how silently, the wondrous gift is given!  
So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of his heaven.  
No ear may hear his coming, but in this world of sin,  
Where meek souls will receive him, still the dear Christ enters in.

Where children pure and happy pray to the blessèd Child,  
Where misery cries out to thee, Son of the mother mild;  
Where charity stands watching and faith holds wide the door,  
The dark night wakes, the glory breaks, and Christmas comes once more.

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 Emmanuel!

**Hymnal 112***Cranham*

In the bleak midwinter, frosty wind made moan,  
earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone;  
Snow had fallen, snow on snow, snow on snow,  
In the bleak midwinter, long ago.

Our God, heaven cannot hold him, nor earth sustain;  
Heaven and earth shall flee away when he comes to reign:  
In the bleak midwinter a stable-place sufficed  
The Lord God incarnate, Jesus Christ.

Angels and archangels may have gathered there,  
Cherubim and seraphim throngèd the air;  
But his mother only, in her maiden bliss,  
Worshipped the belovèd with a kiss.

What can I give him, poor as I am?  
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;  
If I were a wise man, I would do my part;  
Yet what I can I give him — give my heart.

*Upon the completion of communion, the people kneel for the post-communion hymn.*

## Hymnal 111

*Stille Nacht*

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.

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

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.

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, . . .

*All:* . . . 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.

*Celebrant:* May Christ, who by his Incarnation gathered into one things earthly and heavenly, fill you with his joy and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

*The Deacon gives the dismissal.*

*People:* Thanks be to God.

## Processional Hymn: Hymnal 87

*Mendelssohn*

1 Hark! the her-ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new - born King!  
2 Christ, by high - est heaven a - dored; Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord;  
3 Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,

Peace on earth and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!  
 late in time be - hold him come, off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb.  
 born to raise us from the earth, born to give us sec - ond birth.

Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, join the tri - umph of the skies;  
 Veiled in flesh the God - head see; hail the in - car - nate De - i - ty.  
 Risen with heal - ing in his wings, light and life to all he brings,

with the an - gel - ic host pro - claim Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!  
 Pleased as man with us to dwell; Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el!  
 hail, the Sun of Right - eous - ness! hail, the heaven - born Prince of Peace!

*Refrain*

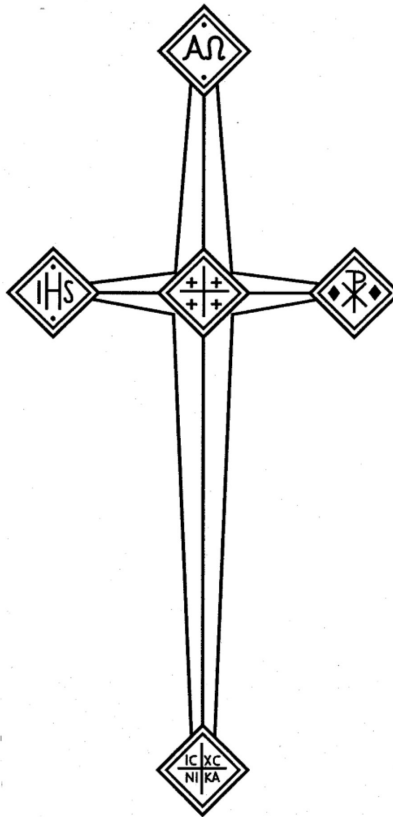
Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new - born King!

**Postlude:** *I Saw Three Ships* - arr. Richard Elliott

Trumpet: Andrew Stetson, John Parker

Timpani: Tom Suta





# Christmas decorations are offered to the Glory of God

**In Thanksgiving for Blessings received by:** The Bermudez family; the Boedecker Family; Lorna & C. John Clarke; Cady, Scott, and Grier Ferguson; Felix, Lourdes, Patrick, Teddy, Alex, Pita, Arturo & Cecilia Guerrero; Melanie & Tim Hensey; Father Read & Diane Heydt; the Hughes family; Sandy & Bob Hulvat; the Hutchison family; Lydia Johnston; Ruth Keller; Elvira & Terrance Lindemann; the Marchiony family; Marcia and Monica Miller; the Nippert family; Colleen Ruffini; Richard Ruffini; the Schieb family; Cindy Shedden; Anne & Dr. James Sheets; Dora & Nevin Thomas; the Tollerton family; Carolyn von Seelen; The Rev. and Mrs. Charleston D. Wilson

**In Thanksgiving for:** Jacki “Gacki” and Jud “Boe” Boedecker; Dorothy Caten; the clergy of Church of the Redeemer; Eve Day; the Rache & John Day family, the friends and family of Grace, Curtis, Margaret, and Catherine Hamlin; the extended family of Glendy & Skip Huene; the friends and family of Karen & Tim Jones; the Kuhn family; Fr. Dick Lampert; Don, Mackenzie, Beckham and Parker Longueuil; Chase IV & Chase V Mudgett; our Church of the Redeemer Parish family; The Rev. Charleston, Malacy, Gus and Camille Wilson

**In loving memory of:** The Rev. Marshall Randolph Fell Allen, Jr.; Karen Ay; Pat & A. Troy Bailey; Col. John Barth; Col. Lou Barth; Polly Barth; Eleanor & Webster Batchelder; Michele & Lee Batchelder; David J. Belcourt; Noel J. Belcourt, Jr.; Jonathan Masters Boardman; Norman D. Boardman; Charles Gardner Boedecker; Kenneth J. Boedecker, Jr.; Frank Braden; Logan Brock; Sophie Francis Bronowicka (Pajdas, Clavette, Mulligan); Mike Brown; Virginia Brown; the parents and grandparents of Constance & Bohdan Bulawka; Donna Bunnell; the Rev. George W. Busler; Amanda Lucy Card; Mary & John Carpenter; Ruth Whittaker Cepelak; Gabrielle Simpson Cerminaro; Evelyn Chadwick; Gerard Chadwick, Jr.; Gerard Chadwick, Sr.; Mickey Chadwick; Michael J. Coleman; Michael Crump; Myra & Sam Davis; Virginia & Harold Decker; Rita & Donald DeMichele; Lucia & Leo Derda; Richard Diedrich; Shane Drury; Arthur Edwards; Adelaide & Reid Farrell; Pauline Feix; Don Frazier; Madeline & Roger Frederick; Gladys & James Gall; Samuel Tucker Gay; Chuck Goltz; the parents of Francine & Peter Gray; Jim Green; David

L. Greene; Rev. George L. Greene; Jim Harper; Sue & Ken Henderson; Ljubica Ilic-Downing; Blanche & Wayne Johnston; Thomas Lee Kaplan; Sally Kay; Sigi Keller; Margery Greene Kennedy; Jeff Kern; Jim Knox; Helen Koes; Kenneth Kokowicz; Kenny S. Kokowicz; Pauline & Ed Krueger; Jean Wyre Lamp; Brennan & Alec Lansing; Christopher Donald Laronge; Aksel Latvala; Alan Latvala; Florence Latvala; Peggy & Alan Levine; Bill Lovejoy; Raymond “Les” Lucas; John Tucker Mahoney; Kathryn & Arnold McAllister; Shawn McLoughlin; Craig Menke; Brenda Miles; David Moore; Paula Moore; Percy John Moore; Robert Moore; Trisha Moore; Barbara & William Morris; Pauline & Ted Morton; Ann Tudor Oldenkamp; Mit Otte; Daisy & Edwin Pascoe; Morgan Marshall Alexander Peissel; Claire E. Postlethwaite; Marcus K. Postlethwaite; Martha Ramsey; Caradoc Roberts; Caroline Roberts; David O. Roberts; Emma V. Rogers; Michael J. Ropele; Joseph Benson Rose, III & Margaret Moffitt Rose; Edith & Joseph Rosengarden; Leo Ruffini; Philip Andrew Sande; Estelle & Horace Scantlebury; Carol & Sonny Sears; Scottie & Jim Shanks; Peter Sheehan; Velda & Omer Smith; Russ, Rick, Robert, & Shirley Spivey; Henry Spruill; Janis O.A. Stankevics; James R. Stevenson; the parents of Rhonda & Keith Summerford; Mary & Hank Swanson; Wayne G. Thomas; Beatrice Robinson Thompson; William Lyall Thompson; Pamela and Dick von Seelen; Francis J. Ward; Bernice Weidman; Roy A. Weidman; Jean B. Wisniewski

**In memory of the loved ones of:** The Boardman family; the Bogart family; the Bourne family; the Breitenstein family; the Buck family; the Cal Cardinal family; the Caten family; the Dexter family; the Fabiano family; the Kuhn family; the Masters family; the Perryman family; the Pioletti family; the Ramstead family; the Raskopf family; the Schroeder family; the Shugg family; Ann & Ron Skipper; Marty & Marsha Thompson; the Yow family



# Eucharists during the Octave of Christmas 2021

All Communicants should receive Holy Communion during the twelve days of Christmas.  
(i.e., Christmas Day through Epiphany on January 6).

The Rector requests that he be informed of any ill or shut-in people of the parish  
to whom the Blessed Sacrament should be taken.

## *Making new Christians and making all Christians new*

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### *The First Sunday after Christmas*

Sunday, December 26      7:30 a.m.  
   10 a.m.  
*en español*                      1 p.m.

### *The Second Sunday after Christmas*

Sunday, January 2      7:30 a.m.  
   9 a.m.  
   11 a.m.  
*en español*                      1 p.m.

### *The Holy Innocents*

Tuesday, December 28      10 a.m.

### *Feast of the Epiphany*

Thursday, January 6      10 a.m.  
   6 p.m.

### *The Feast of the Holy Name*

Saturday, January 1      10 a.m.

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## **The Clergy and Staff**

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Dabney T. Smith, *Bishop of the Diocese of Southwest Florida*

The Rev. Charleston D. Wilson, *Rector*

The Rev. Christian M. Wood, *Assistant Rector*

The Rev. Mario Castro, *Priest Associate for Hispanic Ministry*

The Rev. Ralph W. Strohm, *Priest Associate for Pastoral Care*

The Rev. David M. Svihel, *Curate*

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Jacki Boedecker, *Director of Children's Christian Formation;*

Daniel Cartlidge, *Associate Choirmaster and Contemporary Music Director;*

Caroline Devitt, *Communications Assistant;* Hanane El Qamari, *Sexton;*

Grier Ferguson, *Director of Communications;* Gussie Haeffner, *Printing and Copying;*

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John Walsworth, *Business Manager;* Angela Ward, *Registrar and Assistant to the Clergy;*

Chrissy Weimar, *Nursery Coordinator;* Steve Wernet, *Facilities Manager*

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