



## CHRIST-MASS

Wednesday, December 24, 2025 ❖ 5:00 pm

Thursday, December 25, 2025 ❖ 9:30 am



א. בְּרֵאשִׁית, בָּרָא אֱלֹהִים, אֶת הַשָּׁמַיִם, וְאֶת הָאָרֶץ.

ἐν ἀρχῇ ἐποίησεν ὁ θεὸς τὸν οὐρανὸν καὶ τὴν γῆν

*A very warm welcome! We are delighted to have you join us. This bulletin has been designed to help you worship with us. Please note that wherever it says “stand, sit, kneel” (Episcopalian Calisthenics!), such are only suggestions. We Stand to Praise; Sit to Listen; and Kneel to Ask. You are welcome to do whatever you are able or find most comfortable.*

*We hope you will not find our silence before the liturgy to be a lack of hospitality. We merely have a custom of keeping the silence before the liturgy as a time of preparation and talking to God. We will be very enthusiastic to talk with you and each other after the service. There’s an old adage which says, “Before liturgy, talk to God. During liturgy, let God talk to you. After liturgy, talk to each other.”*

*Please remember St Michael’s in your prayers and we hope you will return to worship with us again!*

*The service begins in darkness. Speak to an usher if you have trouble finding a seat.*

## THE PRELUDES

**AD TERTIAM MISSAM.**  
In Die Nativitatis Domini.

Intr. VII.

**P** u-er \* na-tus est no- bis, et fi- li- us da- tus

est no- bis: cu-jus impé- ri- um su-per hú- me- rum

e- jus: et vo- cá- bi- tur nomen e- jus,

magni const- li- i An- ge- lus. Ps. Can- tá- te Dó- mi- no

cánti- cum no- vum: \* qui- a mi- ra- bí- li- a fe- cit. Gló-

ri- a Pa- tri. E u o u a e.

*“Puer natus est” by Edward Titcomb..... Matthew Cook, Organ*  
*Candles are lit.*

*“How Far Is It To Bethlehem” arr. Alice Parker and Robert Shaw..... St. Michael’s Choir*

### *“How Far Is it to Bethlehem”*

*How far is it to Bethlehem? Not very far.  
Shall we find the stable-room lit by a star?  
Can we see the little child, is he within?  
If we lift the wooden latch may we go in?*

*May we stroke the creatures there, ox, ass, or sheep?  
May we peep like them and see Jesus asleep?  
If we touch his tiny hand will he awake?  
Will he know we've come so far just for his sake?*

*God in his mother's arms, babes in the byre,  
sleep as they sleep who find their heart's desire.*

*Please stand as able and join in singing.*

## THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: ✙ Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*All* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Beloved in Christ, be it this Christmastide our care and delight to hear again the message of the angels, and in heart and mind to go even unto Bethlehem and see this thing which is come to pass, and the Babe lying in a manger.

Therefore let us read and mark in Holy Scripture the tale of the loving purposes of God from the first days of our disobedience unto the glorious Redemption brought us by this Holy Child.

But first, let us pray for the needs of the whole world; for peace on earth and goodwill among all his people; for unity and brotherhood within the Church he came to build, and especially in Newport Beach, and the diocese of Los Angeles.

And because this of all things would rejoice his heart, let us remember, in his name, the poor and helpless, the cold, the hungry, and the oppressed; the sick and them that mourn, the lonely and the unloved, the aged and the little children; all those who know not the Lord Jesus, or who love him not, or who by sin have grieved his heart of love.

Lastly, let us remember before God all those who rejoice with us, but upon another shore, and in a greater light, that multitude which no man can number, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, and with whom in the Lord Jesus we are for ever one.

*Side lights on.*

## THE INTROIT HYMN: O Come, all ye faithful *(Please remain standing as able.)*

O Come, all ye faithful,	Sing, choirs of angels, Sing in exultation,
Joyful and triumphant,	Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;	Glory to God- In- the- highest:
Come and behold him	O come, let us adore him,
Born the King of Angels:	O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,	O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!
O come, let us adore him,	
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!	Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
	Born this happy morning,
God of- God - , Light- of- Light-,	Jesu, to thee- be- glory giv'en,
Lo! He abhors not the Virgin's womb;	Word of the Father, Now in flesh appearing:
Very- God, Begotten, not created:	O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,	O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,	O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!
O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!	

## THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

*Celebrant* Almighty God,  
*All* to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: draw near to us as you once drew near to Mary and to Joseph, that we may receive your will with trust rather than fear. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may make room for your Christ and welcome Emmanuel, God-with-us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Candles extinguished.*

## THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW *(St. Michael's "Mission Statement")*

*Celebrant* 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 first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

## THE GLORIA *Choir only.*

1. Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you,  
we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.



2. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.
3. For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant*     The Lord be with you.  
*People*        **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant*     Let us pray.

Almighty God, you dwell in unapproachable light and yet choose to be born in the darkness of this world. As we gather to celebrate the birth of your Son, shine in our hearts by your Holy Spirit, that all fear and pride may be driven away and we may behold the glory of Emmanuel, Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## THE SERMON *(Please be seated.)*

*The Rev'd Shane Scott-Hamblen, ThD*

## THE FIRST READING: Isaiah 9:2-7

*Reader*        A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

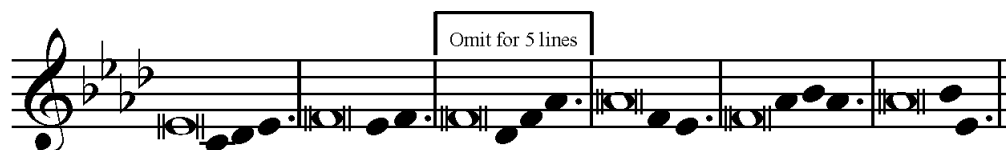
<sup>2</sup>The people who walked in darkness  
    have seen a great light;  
those who lived in a land of deep darkness—  
    on them light has shined.  
<sup>3</sup>You have multiplied the nation,  
    you have increased its joy;  
they rejoice before you  
    as with joy at the harvest,  
    as people exult when dividing plunder.  
<sup>4</sup>For the yoke of their burden,  
    and the bar across their shoulders,  
    the rod of their oppressor,  
    you have broken as on the day of Midian.  
<sup>5</sup>For all the boots of the tramping warriors  
    and all the garments rolled in blood  
    shall be burned as fuel for the fire.  
<sup>6</sup>For a child has been born for us,  
    a son given to us;  
authority rests upon his shoulders;  
    and he is named  
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,  
    Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.  
<sup>7</sup>His authority shall grow continually,  
    and there shall be endless peace  
for the throne of David and his kingdom.  
    He will establish and uphold it  
with justice and with righteousness  
    from this time onward and forevermore.  
The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord.  
*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as able and join in singing.*

## THE PSALM: Psalm 96

*Mode 8*



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Sing to the LORD a new song;  
sing to the LORD, all the whole earth.

Sing to the LORD and bless his Name;  
proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.

Declare his glory among the nations  
and his wonders among all peoples.

For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised;  
he is more to be feared than all gods.

As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols;  
but it is the LORD who made the heavens.

Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence!  
Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!

Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples;  
ascribe to the LORD honor and power.

Ascribe to the LORD the honor due his Name;  
bring offerings and come into his courts.

Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness;  
let the whole earth tremble before him.

Tell it out among the nations:

“The LORD is King!  
he has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved;  
he will judge the peoples with equity.”

Let the heavens rejoice,  
and let the earth be glad;

Let the sea thunder and all that is in it;

Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy  
before the LORD when he comes,  
when he comes to judge the earth.

He will judge the world with righteousness  
and the peoples with his truth.

## THE SECOND READING: Titus 2:11-14 (*Please be seated.*)

*Reader*            A Reading from Paul's letter to Titus.

<sup>11</sup>The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, <sup>12</sup>training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, <sup>13</sup>while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. <sup>14</sup>He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as able.*

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE BIRTH OF CHRIST

*Celebrant*        The twenty-fifth day of December. In the five thousand one hundred and ninety-ninth year of the creation of the world from the time when God in the beginning created the heavens and the earth; the two thousand nine hundred and fifty-seventh year after the flood; the two thousand and fifteenth year from the birth of Abraham; the one thousand five hundred and tenth year from Moses and the going forth of the people of Israel from Egypt; the one thousand and thirty-second year from David's being anointed king; in the sixty-fifth week according to the prophecy of Daniel; in the one hundred and ninety-fourth Olympiad; the seven hundred and fifty-second year from the foundation of the city of Rome; the forty second year of the reign of Octavian Augustus; the whole world being at peace, in the sixth age of the world, Jesus Christ the eternal God and Son of the eternal Father, desiring to sanctify the world by his most merciful coming, being conceived by the Holy Spirit, and nine months having passed since his conception, was born in Bethlehem of Judea of the Virgin Mary, being made flesh. The Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the flesh.

*Full lights on.*

## THE GOSPEL: Luke 2:1-14

*Celebrant*        + The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People*            **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

<sup>1</sup>In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. <sup>2</sup>This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. <sup>3</sup>All went to their own towns to be registered. <sup>4</sup>Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. <sup>5</sup>He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. <sup>6</sup>While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. <sup>7</sup>And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. <sup>8</sup>In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. <sup>9</sup>Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. <sup>10</sup>But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see — I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: <sup>11</sup>to you is born this day in the city of David a

Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. <sup>12</sup>This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." <sup>13</sup>And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,  
<sup>14</sup>"Glory to God in the highest heaven,  
and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"

*Celebrant*            The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*                Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## THE NICENE CREED

*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.

*Please kneel as able.*

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.

*Please stand as able.*

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 INTERCESSIONS *(Please kneel as able or be seated.)*

*Intercessor*            Gracious and Loving God, in Jesus you have filled all humanity with your divine life: Hear our prayers of joy and thanksgiving as we offer our supplications to you, saying: Where there is darkness; Let there be Light.

Lord, You have entrusted the Church with good news of great joy for all people: Inspire our witness that we may spread the light of Jesus' love to all humanity.

Where there is darkness;

*All*                    **Let there be Light.**

*Intercessor*            Let us pray for an end to violence and the establishment of a lasting peace in the Holy Land, in the Ukraine, here at home, and all places ravaged by darkness and



violence. Let us pray for the traumatized, those held hostage, the hungry, the grieving, the dying, and all who are working to relieve the suffering of others, to find peaceful modes of dialogue and defend human dignity.

Where there is darkness;

*All* **Let there be Light.**

*Intercessor* Almighty God, from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed, kindle we pray you in every heart, the true love of peace and guide with your cure and peaceable wisdom those who take council for the nations of the earth, that in tranquility your kingdom may go forward until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love.

Where there is darkness;

*All* **Let there be Light.**

*Intercessor* We commend to your compassion and mercy, O God, all those in our community, or among our families and parish, our friends and neighbors, who are in need this night. We particularly remember those who are sleeping on the streets, those experiencing anxiety and despair. We pray for the lonely and the anxious. We pray for all who are searching for meaning, guidance, forgiveness, and love.

Where there is darkness;

*All* **Let there be Light.**

*Intercessor* Finally, we pray for all who have died and are now upon that far distant shore with you, O Lord. As we remember all those who used to be with us on this night, help us to realize that, as you did not lose them in giving them to us, so we do not lose them by their return to you, because what is yours is ours also if we are yours. Remind us that love is immortal and death is only a horizon, and a horizon is nothing but a limit of our sight. Cleanse our eyes that we may see more clearly. Draw us closer to yourself so that we may know ourselves to be nearer to our loved ones who are now with you.

Where there is darkness;

*All* **Let there be Light.**

*Intercessor* For what else shall we pray?

*Congregation is invited to say intentions aloud or in silence.*

*Celebrant* Let us all pray together,

*All* **Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.**

## THE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION *(A Prayer Book for Australia)*

*Celebrant* The Lord comes, bringing to light those things now hidden, and disclosing the purposes of the heart. Let us open our hearts and prepare for his coming, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

*Silence*

*(Church of South India, adapted)*

*Celebrant* Merciful God,

*All* **we confess that we have not always lived as children of the light. We have feared the cost of love, resisted the claims of peace, and turned inward when you called us outward. We have accepted injustice as normal and despair as inevitable. Forgive us, we pray. By the birth of your Son, cleanse us from all that obscures your image in us, that we may live soberly, justly, and devoutly in the light of his coming; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Celebrant* May the God of all healing and forgiveness draw close and + cleanse you from all your sins, that you may behold the glory of the Son, the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

## THE PEACE *(Please stand as able.)*

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*The Clergy and People exchange signs of peace in the name of the Lord.*

## THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE *(Please stand as able.)*

*Celebrant* The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all. Let us offer ourselves and our gifts in joy and thanksgiving to the God who has come to dwell among us.

## THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*“The Shepherds Sing” by Bob Chilcott*

*The shepherds sing; and shall I silent be?*

*My God, no hymn for Thee?*

*My soul's a shepherd too; a flock it feeds*

*Of thoughts, and words, and deeds.*

*The pasture is Thy word: the streams, Thy grace*

*Enriching all the place.*

*Then will we sing, and shine all our own day,*

*And one another pay:*

*His beams shall cheer my breast, and both so twine,*

*Till ev'n His beams sing, and my music shine.*

*Shepherd and flock shall sing, and all my powers*

*Outsing the daylight hours.*

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## The Eucharistic Prayer (Scottish Liturgy 1982 Revised 2022)

*Celebrant*                      *People*

The Lord be with you.      And al - so with you.

*Celebrant*                      *People*

Lift up your hearts.      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.

Worship and praise belong to you, God our maker. Out of nothing, you called all worlds into being, and still you draw the universe to its fulfilment. Day and night celebrate your glory till time shall be no more.

In Christ, your Word became flesh, and on this day was born of the Virgin Mary. He emptied himself, taking our human form, That through his incarnation and passion we might come to share in his divine nature.

Filled with the Spirit, who at the first Creation moved over the face of the waters, and overshadowed the blessed Virgin at Nazareth, we await with joy the fulfilment of your new Creation.

As children of your redeeming purpose who celebrate the birth of your Son, we offer you our praise, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven singing the hymn of your unending glory:

# THE SANCTUS

## HOLY

*A Christmas Mass*  
Paul Gibson



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord\_ God of\_\_ hosts.



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord\_ God\_ of\_\_ hosts. Hea - ven and



earth are full\_\_ of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na\_\_ in the high -



est, high - est. Ho - san - na\_\_ in the high - est.



Bless'd is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Bless'd is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na\_\_ in\_\_ the\_\_



high - est, Ho - san - na\_\_ in the high - est, high -



est, Ho - san - na\_\_ in the high - est.\_\_\_\_\_

Glory and thanksgiving be to you, most loving Father. In Jesus the Messiah you have come to us, and lived for a time among us, that we might for ever live with you. In the manger at Bethlehem, in his flight to Egypt, and as the carpenter's son, the Only-begotten bent low to meet us.

Obedient to your calling, he accepted death on the cross. When you exalted him on the third day, and bestowed on him the name above all names, he opened the gate of glory that we might be your children, and share in his kingdom of Peace.

Before he was given up to suffering and death, desiring to complete the work for which he came into the world, at supper with his disciples he took bread and offered you thanks. He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying:

"Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you."

After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying: "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me."

We now obey your Son's command.

All     **We recall his blessed passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension;  
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.**

Made one with him, we offer you these gifts and with them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice.

Hear us, most merciful Father, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, that, overshadowed by his life-giving power, they may be the Body and Blood of your Son, and we may be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

Help us, who are baptized into the fellowship of Christ's Body to live and work to your praise and glory; may we grow together in unity and love until at last, in your new creation, we enter into our heritage in the company of the Virgin Mary, the apostles, and prophets, and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be to you, Lord of all ages, world without end. *Amen.*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

**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, forever and ever. Amen.**

## THE FRACTION

*Celebrant*     We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

*People*       **Though we are many, we are One Body, because we all share in one bread.**

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

## THE AGNUS DEI

### LAMB OF GOD

A Christmas Mass  
Paul Gibson

Lamb of God, you take\_ a - way

the\_ sins\_ of\_ the world, have\_ mer - cy\_ on\_ us, have\_

mer - cy\_ on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the

world, grant\_ us\_ peace, grant\_ us\_ peace. rit.

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*Everyone is welcome to receive Christ's Body and Blood in our Church. If you do not wish to receive either the bread or the wine, please cross your arms and a short blessing will be said. You are also welcome to intinct the bread into the chalice if you prefer not to drink directly from the chalice. (Though, to be honest, it is fortified with extra alcohol to kill germs. If you don't drink it the priest must, and then the announcements can get a bit entertaining after Mass.) Gluten-free wafers are also available upon request.*

*Congregants worshiping on Zoom, Facebook Live, or YouTube may say the following:*

#### THE SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

*Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.*

*Candles are lit. Roof lights are lowered.*

## THE COMMUNION ANTHEM

*“All Things New” by Elaine Hagenberg*

<i>Light after darkness, gain after loss,</i>	<i>Sight after mystery, sun after rain,</i>
<i>Strength after weakness, crown after cross;</i>	<i>Joy after sorrow, peace after pain;</i>
<i>Sweet after bitter, hope after fears,</i>	<i>Near after distant, gleam after gloom,</i>
<i>Home after wandering, praise after tears.</i>	<i>Love after loneliness, life after tomb.</i>

*Alpha and Omega, beginning and the end,  
He is making all things new.  
Springs of living water shall wash away each tear,  
He is making all things new.*

## THE POST-COMMUNION HYMN *(Seated.)*

*Hymnal 111*

*Silent night*

*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.

*Please kneel or sit as able.*

## THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER *(Church of England, adapted)*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Gracious God,

*All* in this holy night you have fed us with the Bread of heaven and filled us with the light of your incarnate Word. As shepherds once left their fields to glorify and praise you, send us now into the world to bear good news of great joy for all people. Make us signs of your peace, until that day when all creation is gathered into the glory of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS *(Please be seated.)*

## THE BENEDICTION *(Please stand as able.)*

May the joy of the angels, the obedience of Mary and Joseph, and the peace proclaimed to the shepherds be yours this night and always. And the blessing of God almighty, the ✚ Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

## THE RECESSIONAL HYMN: *(Please stand as able.)*

*Hymnal 100*

*Joy to the world! the Lord is come*

*Antioch*

1 Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let earth re -  
2 Joy to the world! the Sa - vior reigns; let us our  
\*3 No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in -  
4 He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the

ceive her King; let ev - ery heart pre - pare him room, and  
songs em - ploy, while fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains, re -  
fest the ground; he comes to make his bless - ings flow far  
na - tions prove the glo - ries of his right - eous - ness, and

heaven and na - ture sing, and heaven and na - ture  
peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing  
as the curse is found, far as the curse is  
won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his

1 and heaven and na - ture sing, and  
2 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re -  
3 far as the curse is found, far  
4 and won - ders of his love, and

sing, and heaven, and heaven and na - ture sing.  
joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.  
found, far as, far as the curse is found.  
love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

heaven and na - ture sing,  
peat the sound - ing joy,  
as the curse is found,  
won - ders of his love,



## THE DISMISSAL

*Celebrant*      Let us go in peace to love and serve our Lord.  
*All*              **Thanks be to God.**

## THE POSTLUDE

*“The First Noel” arr. Mary McDonald*

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**Everyone is invited to join us in Michael’s Room  
for champagne, hot cider, and Christmas nibbles!**

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# Christmas Poinsettia Dedications

*Christmas poinsettias are given by St. Michael's parishioners and friends to the glory of God  
and in thanksgiving for the blessings of this life or in memory of loved ones.*

## **The MacDonell Family**

### **The Zevnik Family**

In loving memory of Ron Bauer.

### **Sean Wagener**

In loving memory of Parry Popejoy.

### **Clyde & Pepa Dodge**

In thanksgiving for Pat Scopelitri.

### **Ruth Poole**

In thanksgiving for Lynn & Paul Multari.

### **Kimberly & Matthew Poska**

In loving memory of Fred Poska, loving husband, father and son.

### **Poska and Valentine Families**

In loving memory of Jim & Dottie Valentine who were living examples of love, empathy, and faith.

### **Elizabeth Henry**

In celebration of one year of marriage.

### **Julie Jenkins**

In loving memory of Bob & Russ.

### **Verda Schroeder**

### **Jill & Michael Draffin**

### **Jane Woodson**

In loving memory of Ed Woodson.

### **Harry & Susan Stahl**

### **Stacie Tibbetts**

In loving memory of John & Virginia Johnson.

### **The Haghjoo Family**

### **The Dunlap Family**

In thanksgiving for family.

### **The Crail Family**

### **Corrine Stover**

In thanksgiving for our parents, John, Hildred, Clarence, Reba, Allan, Corrine.

### **Louise Stover**

In thanksgiving for the Stover family,  
and with grateful thanks for the St. Michael's Altar Guild and Flower Guild.

### **Elizabeth Henry**

In loving memory of Jean Evans and Bryant Henry.

### **Susan Leinberger**

In loving memory of Charlotte, Ace, and Norman.

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## Adult Christian Education and Small Discussion Groups

Visit our website for more about our Adult  
Christian Education programs and Small  
Discussion Groups.

### St. Mike's Sunday Conversations

*11:00 am in Michael's Room*

Contact: Kim Montgomery

### Tuesday Night at Mike's

*Tuesdays at 6:00 pm on Zoom*

Join on Zoom: <https://bit.ly/tuesdayatmikes>

Meeting ID: 834 2976 3754 / Passcode: none

Contact: Beth Bianchi

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

*Fridays at 10:00 am*

Please join us as we knit or crochet and pray!

Contact: Julie Jenkins at 949-244-7103

### Men's Fellowship Group

*Thursdays at 8:30 am in Michael's Room*

Currently reading *The Gnostic Gospels* by Elaine  
Pagels.

Contact: Kim Montgomery

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### Sunday Worship Livestream

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@smaacdm/>

Zoom: <https://bit.ly/stmikessunday2023>

Meeting ID: 912 3096 9532

Passcode: cdm080100!

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